



2023 Annual Report

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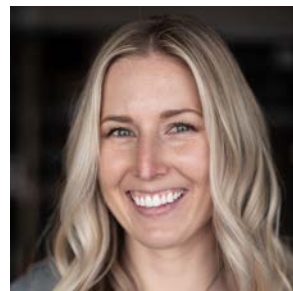
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Message From The Executive Director



Mary Greene, Executive Director
Lander Community Foundation

Hello Friends,

It's impossible to believe that the support you gave to LCF and this community in 2023 was somehow even greater than in 2022, thank you!

Because of you, we had another productive year of growth and success. Thanks to those near and far for making 2023 an outstanding year in many ways. We had the most

successful Challenge for Charities in history (third year in a row), we grew our existing free Power Hour and workshop educational series, we gave a year of free marketing guidance, video, and photography to any Lander nonprofit organization who took advantage of the opportunity, we guided six fiscally sponsored entities into nonprofit incorporation status, we mentored and coached many nonprofit boards of directors helping them to remain effective and productive, and we established

new relationships with partners who believe in our mission and values.

Thank you for all the ways you showed up in 2023!

Additionally, you gave your time and energy to get racers through the finish line safely on the 4th of July, joined the other Challenge for Charities (C4C) Challengers by giving to the Matching Fund, and continue to offer LCF unrestricted financial support so we can power our mission forward—**thank you**.

We seek feedback and appreciate community engagement at every turn. While we make sure to stay aligned with our strategic plan, we very much appreciate your engagement in our efforts to keep Lander vibrant and strong.

You can count on us to keep moving forward with tenacity while staying true to our mission. Working together builds a stronger community, now and well into the future.

*With gratitude,
Mary*

CELEBRATING LANDER'S

13th Annual Challenge For Charities

2023 marked Lander's 13th annual community-wide fundraising event, Challenge for Charities (C4C). We had a wonderful turnout hosting the 43rd year of these widely anticipated 4th of July footraces! There were 745 runners and walkers. 596 racers hailed from Wyoming while 141 racers traveled from other states and countries.

We continued to highlight nonprofit organizations' programs and services via our local news channels including County10, Lander Chamber of Commerce Newsletter, KOVE radio, and through Lander Journal articles and press releases as well as LCF social media spotlights. These efforts keep proving to have a positive impact on charitable giving through C4C with nonprofits.



Photo: Barbara McMahill

CELEBRATING LANDER'S

13th Annual Challenge For Charities

2023, due to your generosity, was the most outstanding year for C4C as we raised the most money to date, and, surpassed both the 2021 and 2022 C4C in every category.

- ◇ 52 participating nonprofits raised over \$505,000—\$45,000 more than in 2022.
- ◇ 20 nonprofits exceeded the \$10,000 match cap—three more than in 2022.
- ◇ 127 Challengers donated \$185,700 to the matching fund making it the largest matching fund to date!
- ◇ Since 2011, C4C has facilitated raising and disbursing approximately \$6,135,000 for our Lander community.

The philanthropic leadership from these local businesses, families, foundations, and individuals allowed us to give a 35% match to the funds raised by our Lander nonprofits. These funds are poured back into Lander and used for local programs and projects.

Promoting effective philanthropy is working! Each year more nonprofits raise more money through C4C. They understand that this event is the most effective tool for leveraging donations, and they're becoming more adept at fundraising. Programs thrive because of C4C. It is the best time and way to give to your local Lander organizations.

Without the generosity of our donors to the nonprofits and our Challengers, who contribute to the matching fund, C4C would not be possible.

Last year, Fremont Therapy Group, Lonnie Bull at Edward Jones, and the Mortenson Family made up our 2023 Platinum Challengers, each contributing \$20,000 to the matching fund. These generous contributions spurred our community's philanthropic action, leading to 127 matching fund contributions from individuals, families, businesses, foundations, and even several Lander nonprofits.

Challenger donations are vital to encouraging philanthropic giving and they allow us to support nonprofits in offering the programs and services that make our community so incredible.

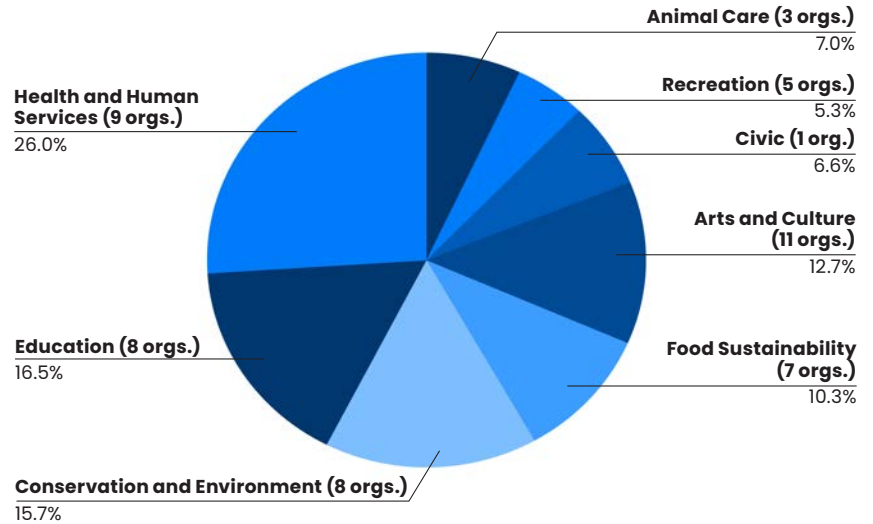


2023 Participating Organizations

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| Academy of the Winds | Lander Art Center |
| Almost Home Wyoming | Lander Boxing Club |
| Anam Cara Giving | Lander Care and Share Food Bank |
| Apple Valley School | Lander Christmas Baskets |
| Art Link Wyoming (formerly PALS) | Lander Climate Action Network |
| Bookmarked Literary Arts Festival | Lander Community Foundation |
| Central Wyoming Climbers' Alliance | Lander Creative Arts Club |
| Central Wyoming College Alpine Science Institute | Lander Cycling Club |
| Child Development Services | Lander Free Medical Clinic |
| Community Entry Services | Lander Library Friends Association |
| First Stop Help Center | Lander Masters Special Olympics |
| Fremont County Pioneer Association | Lander Nordic Ski Association |
| Fremont Symphony Orchestra | Lander Performing Arts (formerly LCCA) |
| Friends of South Pass | Lander Pet Connection |
| Good Samaritan Community Meal | Lander Presents |
| Help for Health Hospice | Lander Search and Rescue |

C4C DONATIONS BY FIELD OF SERVICE

This chart shows how your donations, including the matching fund, were distributed to organizations categorized by field of service.



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| Lander Spay and Neuter | Wind River Cultural Centers Foundation |
| Lander Swim Club | Wind River Food Sovereignty Project |
| Lander Valley Farmers Market | Wyoming Outdoor Council |
| Lander Womentum | Wyoming Pathways |
| Pushroot Community Garden | Wyoming Shakespeare Festival Company |
| Sinks Canyon Conservancy | Wyoming Wilderness Association |
| Sinks Canyon Wild | Wyoming Wildlife Federation |
| The Bossert Collective | Wyoming Youth Now Foundation |
| The Nature Conservancy in Wyoming | |
| The Soldier's House | |
| Water for Wildlife Foundation | |
| Wild Roots Sanctuary | |

PROVIDING RESOURCES AND

Meeting Community Needs

Facilitating Volunteerism

We worked hard to meet the needs of Lander’s nonprofits and stretch their capabilities. Lander Connected is the centralized volunteer hub that gives individuals, organizations, and businesses a platform to promote volunteer opportunities for anyone to sign up and offer their help. It was created in 2020 to connect with volunteers in our community and has flourished with over 740 registered volunteers. To date, we have trained 79 entities and dozens of individuals on using this free platform to list their volunteer needs.

The estimated value of one volunteer hour in 2023 was \$30.29 and is expected to increase to be valued at over \$31.00 in 2024. Since Lander Connected launched, LCF has facilitated and provided the following:

- ◇ 1,294 volunteer hours—a 55% increase in one year
- ◇ These volunteer hours equate to saving businesses and organizations approximately \$35,127
- ◇ Lander Connected had 757 participants, a 74% increase from 2021

Providing Leadership to Nonprofits

We asked the nonprofit sector what they needed from us and we delivered!

We taught seven power hours and one half-day workshop to address many nonprofit management skills our nonprofit community requested. Skills taught included building a case for support and donor strategy, building a productive Board of Directors, marketing your organization to gain meaningful support, the power of volunteers, and grant writing basics. We saw the impact of these educational opportunities through the growth and success of many organizations.

As a community connector, we facilitate nonprofit partnerships in order to help organizations maximize efficiency and impact. We help our nonprofits build effective business partnerships in an effort to move their programs forward.

Additionally, we provide fiscal sponsorship to groups who are working towards becoming incorporated 501(c)3. In 2023 we provided mentorship to six organizations that are now stand-alone Lander nonprofits.

LOOKING AHEAD

To Our Future

We are committed to integrating more efficient accounting and nonprofit portal services with a new platform. This database will ensure that nonprofit documents, applications, and statistics are kept in perpetuity to benefit organizational historical information.

We worked with four local photographers and videographers to help us grow our digital asset library. This includes not only images of LCF at work but most of the organizations doing what they do best—giving the community a variety of essential programs and services—in action. This has proven to be a useful and appreciated amenity that LCF could offer nonprofits. LCF staff and board were diligent in addressing the goals in our strategic plan. These include:

- ◇ Providing support to nonprofits
- ◇ Building organizational capacity to meet the needs of our philanthropic community
- ◇ Pursuing financial growth and stability
- ◇ Increasing visibility and exposure to broaden our audience

Our focus on these goals continues, as we build capacity in a growing number of nonprofits in our community. We encourage you to get involved in a way that is meaningful to you.



Photo: Kirk Rasmussen

HOW YOU CAN HELP US

Drive Our Mission Forward

You can count on us to think big for the betterment of Lander. We have lofty goals and we need you to help us reach them. There are many ways you can contribute to our efforts and make these goals a reality.

- ◆ **Give to the LCF Sustainability Fund.** Your unrestricted donation allows us to evolve and grow to meet the community's needs. It helps us to provide educational opportunities for our local nonprofits and fiscally sponsored organizations.
- ◆ **Become a Challenge for Charities Challenger.** LCF works with the community at large—individuals, businesses, foundations, and the city—to secure funding that will act as a match to donations from individuals. Nonprofits can be matched up to \$10,000.
- ◆ **Make an In-Kind donation.** If you have a service that you would like to donate to the Lander Community Foundation, please let us know! To maximize our program dollars and staff time, we appreciate any donated or reduced-rate work you can offer us.
- ◆ **Become a member of the Lander Legacy Society.** Planned gifts are an opportunity for you to leave a meaningful legacy for the Lander community. The Lander Legacy Society recognizes donors who have made a planned, or deferred gift, to LCF. Your support ensures our work will continue.
- ◆ **Make a contribution to our growing endowment.**



With more nonprofits and fiscally sponsored entities supporting our community needs, the demands on LCF continue to grow. It's through your donations we have been able to keep up with this growth.

We need and count on your support to retain knowledgeable and accessible staff and remain visible in the community to move our mission forward effectively. When you donate to LCF, you are supporting over 50 Lander nonprofits doing critical work throughout our community. Your gift to LCF is a gift for the entire community.

THANK YOU, friends, near and far! Because of your devotion, engagement, financial support, volunteerism, and community-minded spirit, 2023 was an incredible year.

2023 FINANCIALS

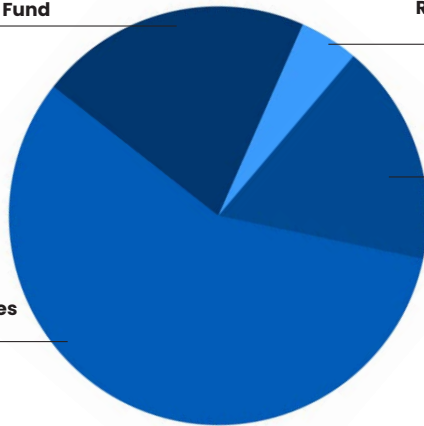
REVENUE (\$882,427)

Challenger Matching Fund
21.0%

Race Registrations and Sponsorships
4.6%

LCF Unrestricted Donations
17.1%

Challenge for Charities Donations
57.3%



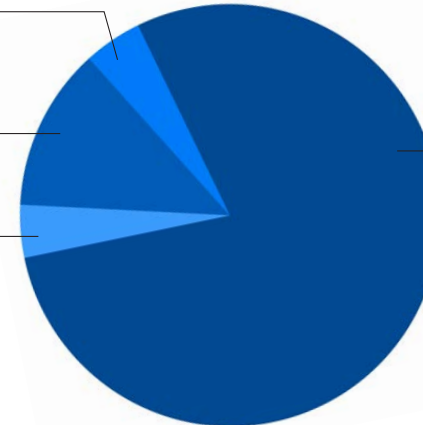
EXPENSES (\$856,691)

Program Expenses
4.6%

Administrative and Operating Expenses
11.9%

Total Race Expenses
4.3%

Challenge for Charities Awards
79.2%



DONOR LIST

Challenge For Charities Matching Fund

PLATINUM LEVEL | \$20,000+

Lonnie Bull, Edward Jones
Fremont Therapy Group
The Mortenson Family

GOLD LEVEL | \$15,000-\$19,999

Jerry and Cassy Venters

TITANIUM LEVEL | \$10,000-\$14,999

The Marshall Chapin Family
Rick and Janie Muir
Susan Pearson

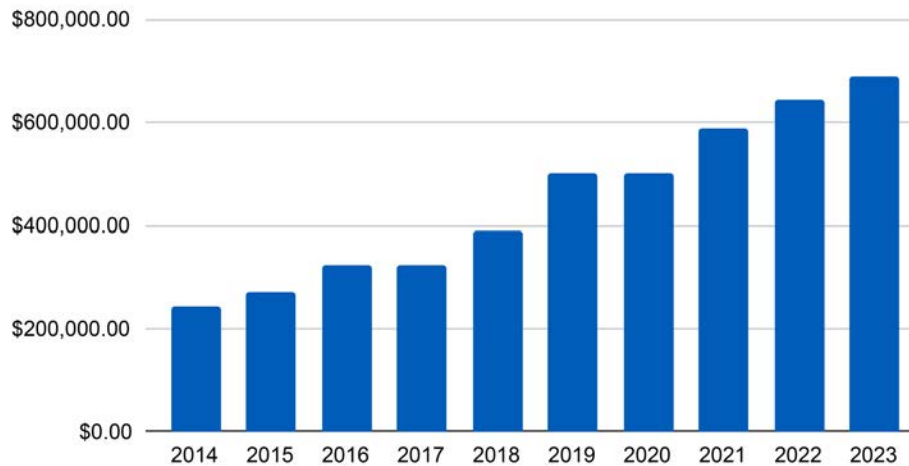
SILVER LEVEL | \$5,000-\$9,999

Anonymous
George and Paula Hunker
Don and Judy Legerski

BRONZE LEVEL | \$1,000-\$4,999

Anonymous (2)
Perry Cook
Elemental Performance and Fitness
Michelle Escudero and Scott Kane
First Interstate Bank
Andrew Gramlich and Jackie Nelson
Chris Jeffres
Michael Kotrick and Rita Neill
Lander Kiwanis Club
Lander Medical Clinic
Lander Rotary Club

TOTAL C4C FUNDS RAISED PER YEAR 2014-2023



Lander Valley Animal Hospital
Christine Lichtenfels and Dan Heilig
Eric and Sandy Martinez
Karen and Steve Matson
Maven Outdoor Equipment
Robert and Virginia Nagy
Deborah and Mark Nunnink
Sky and Jan Phifer
Nancy A Pieropan
Precision Dirt Works
Michael and Atha Quinn
Robert and Bonnie Sewell
STS Foundation
Whitco Blasting

Wyoming Community Bank
Wyoming Community Foundation

IRON LEVEL | UP TO \$999

Anonymous
Brenda Alexander
Margaret Appleby
Jennifer and Brian Barrett
Rich and Susan Brame
Marty Brammer
Kathy Brown and Michael Cheek
Carol and Bruce Campbell
Sally Casey
Alcmene Chalazonitis Greene

Dennis and Lucy Cone
Delaine Cox
Eva Crane
Jeremy Crews
William Darr
Lora Davidson and Chuck Kratz
Martin Del Monte
Allison Dodd
Rick and Babes Fagnant
Bill Farthing
Robert Fay
Marilyn and James Fisher
Ron and RaJean Fossen
John Gans and Steff Kessler
Glen Garton
Carolyn and Phil Gilbertson
Cristina González
Miles Graf
Ariel and Mary Greene
Jerre Gresly
Robin Gucker
Molly and Bruce Hampton
Rod and Mary Haper
Joel Harms
Carol Harper and John Laird
Helen E. Higby
Vanessa and Bob Hitchcock
Riley Hopeman
Celina Hudson

Justus Jacobs Insurance Agency Inc
Alicia D Jordan
Ron and Patti Kopriva
Michael Kusiek
Arlen and Staci Lancaster
Lander Dental Group, P.C.
Dick and Julie Lefevre
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Linda Lindsey and Monty Hettich
Eddie Lobatos
Justin Loyka

Vickie Meredith
Meyers Gambles Inc.
NOLS
Joseph and Andrea Quiroz
Gil and MaryAnne Rau
Deborah Reguera and Bill Mayo
Don and Cora Lee Reynolds
Tim Robeson and Tegeler Insurance
Silver Spur Lanes
SDI
Boyd Sharp, Jr.

Cyndy Simer
Amy Skinner
Carol and Ron Smith
Jason Snyder
Jill and Michael Stillwagon
Doug and Cindy Thompson
Caryn and Tom Throop
James and Dottie Tonkovich
Trihydro Corporation
Cara Tschida
Leslie and Scott Van Orman

Rick and Jeni Vander Voet
Mark Watkins and Susannah Blethner
Brendon and Stephanie Weaver
Hudson's Funeral Home
Mary Wendel
Jeff and Janet Winger
Wyoming Outdoor Council
Thomas Zimmer



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1002 Foundation
Brenda Alexander
Amy Andersen and Tim Wilson
Apple Valley School
Atlantic City Federal Credit Union
Norma Baldwin
Jen Barrett
Ellen and Steve Bechtel
Bookmarked Literary Arts Festival
Bossert Collective
Rich and Susan Brame
Christopher Brauneis
Deborah and Cornelius Britt
Briana Brower
Carol and Bruce Campbell
Norm and Sue Cessna
Alcmene Chalazonitis Greene
Mike Charles
City of Lander
Dennis and Lucy Cone
Perry Cook
Julie and Paul Cornia
Eva Crane
Judy and Mark Crawford
Lora Davidson and Chuck Kratz
Nicholas De La Cruz
Kimberly DeClue

Allen Dehoff and Lisa Zumbach
Frank Del Real
Matt Enlow
Michelle Escudero and Scott Kane
Fairview Foundation
Bill Farthing
Kathleen and Aaron Foster
Friends of the Canyon
Alan Garms
Wendy and Jason Gebhart
Carolyn and Phil Gilbertson
Greater Toledo Community
Foundation
Mary and Ariel Greene
Ben Groneman
Scott Harnsberger and Teddi Winge
Joseph Henry
Riley Hopeman
Ron and Jacque Horn
Emily Horne
Norma Horsman
Hughes Charitable Foundation
George and Paula Hunker
Hope Johnson
Joyner Benfield Distinctive Land and
Waterscapes
David Kallgren
Kane Family Foundation



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David Kellogg
Miriam and Bill Klingsporn
Michael Kotrick and Rita Neill
Michael Kusiek
Jennifer Lamb and Jim Hutchison
Lander Care and Share Food
Bank
Lander Climate Action Network

Lander District Recreation Board
Lander Running Club
Lander Valley Farmers Market
John and Debbie Larsen
Lightner Sams Foundation of
Wyoming
Justin Loyka
Mad Dog and the Pilgrim

Booksellers
Jack Malmberg and Robin Levin
Donna Mandel
Izzy Marshall
Suzanne Masek
McCormick Marketing
Barbara and Clint McMahill
Frances Mortenson
Lorielle and Jade Morton
Rick and Janie Muir
Melody Nolan
Erin Olson
Paint Systems LLC
Kathy Pappas

Sarah Parrish
Stepahnie Nicole Petersen
Shawna Pickinpaugh
Lou Pope
Pushroot Community Garden
Linda Reynolds
Deborah Reguera and Bill Mayo
Barbara Reid
Betsy and Ken Richardson
Silver Spur Lanes
Shannon and Rick Rochelle
Amanda Sempert
Linda Sisco
Amy Skinner

Cori Slingerland
Clair Smith
Diane Springford
Joanne and Joe Steller
Suraj Suwal
Beverly Swistowicz
Shana Tarter and Steve Platz
Caryn and Tom Throop
Trillium Family Foundation
Marguerite Underwood
United Methodist Women
Leslie and Scott Van Orman
Mark Watkins and Susannah Bletner
Brendon and Stephanie Weaver

Carol Ann Webb
Lawrence Wickstrom
Leann Woodhouse
Thomas Zimmer

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In-Kind Donations

Brad Christensen
City of Lander
Coepo Consulting
County10
Erin Freed

Friends of the Canyon
Matt Herr
Kiwanis
Lander Journal
Lander Library

John Larsen
McCormick Marketing, Inc.
Barbara McMahill
Mr.D's
Rita Neill

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Emily Tilden



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