Dear Friends of The Denver Foundation,

The theme for this year's Annual Report is Seeds to Leaves: Growing a Community. Here at The Denver Foundation, we're experiencing the dynamic process of growth, from the germination of ideas, to the testing and trying of new projects, to the full blossoming of partnerships and strategies.

The Denver Foundation has two roles. We are stewards of an endowment contributed by generous donors over time and we help accomplish the charitable goals of businesses, families, and individuals through more than 1,000 different funds. In this year's report, you'll learn how strongly these two roles of the Foundation are connected.

As the Foundation's staff and volunteers work to take action in the areas of Basic Human Needs, Community Leadership, Economic Opportunity, and Education, our fundholders frequently co-invest with us through their funds. You'll read about how we're working to nurture our region's system of food pantries, to help children find academic success through ensemble music, and to plant the seeds of economic opportunity with cooperatives and social enterprise. We'll share how giving circles, corporations like RBC Wealth Management, and legal and financial advisors all work in partnership with the Foundation to meet the community's needs and accomplish a wide range of charitable goals.

Together, we're growing a strong future for Metro Denver.

As you read this report, we hope you'll consider how you can connect – or expand your connection – with The Denver Foundation as a partner, a donor, a fundholder, a grantee, or a friend. We are able to take action because people like you choose us as a partner in philanthropy. We are so grateful for your support, helping the seeds of potential to develop into the lush fullness of a healthy community.

Sincerely,

William Ryan
Chair, Board of Trustees 2013

Sandra Shreve
Chair, Board of Trustees 2014

David Miller
President and CEO

Cover Photo: Farmer Candice Orlando planting squash seeds at one of UrbiCulture Community Farms' gardens in Denver. Food grown here goes to a sliding scale Community Supported Agriculture program and two domestic violence shelters for women.

Photo by Jon Orlando.
Who
The Denver Foundation is a community foundation created by and for the people of Metro Denver – as a place where people from all backgrounds and interests come together to take action in Metro Denver and beyond, today and for generations to come. The Denver Foundation is the oldest and largest community foundation in the Rocky Mountain region.

When
Established in 1925; created to exist in perpetuity.

Values
• Leadership
• Equity
• Inclusiveness
• Accountability

What
• We steward an endowment to help meet current and future needs for the community.
• We manage more than 1,000 charitable funds for individuals, families, businesses, and social groups.
• We connect these two parts of our mission, working in partnership with community and philanthropic leaders to address challenges that face Metro Denver.

Where

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Mission
We inspire people and mobilize resources to strengthen our community.

About the Denver Foundation

2013 AT A GLANCE
Amount in gifts received: $58,181,003
# of Funds: 1,039
# of New Funds: 92
Amount in grants given: $50,809,140
# of Grants: 4,547
Assets: $682,418,072

Denver Urban Gardens
Seeds
Planting the Seeds of Opportunity

The Denver Foundation seeks to help low-income communities become places of economic, cultural, and artistic opportunity. This work launched in 2013, in response to the community's call for the Foundation to do more to build local economies. “We’re really at the ‘seed’ stage with these efforts,” says Patrick Horvath, the Foundation’s Director of Economic Opportunity. “Over time, we hope these projects will grow to improve the lives of hundreds of Metro area residents.”

Urban Cooperative Development Center: We are helping the Rocky Mountain Farmers Union to start urban cooperatives. Some examples include worker co-ops of janitors, housekeepers, or fitness instructors, and food co-ops where urban farmers join together to sell their produce.

Community-Campus Partnership: The Anschutz Medical Campus has changed the community of Original Aurora, and a new Community-Campus Partnership is connecting the campus with its neighbors for workforce development, job access, health improvement, and economic development.

Colorado Nonprofit Social Enterprise Exchange: The Exchange teaches nonprofits to create sustainable, unrestricted sources of funding to help achieve their missions through the development of businesses that train and employ clients.

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Veterans to Farmers: Based in the Curtis Park neighborhood, Veterans to Farmers is developing a training center to teach veterans from the Iraq and Afghanistan wars how to run businesses focused on growing fresh vegetables using an indoor aeroponic system.

CAFÉ 180: While the groups above receive funding through the Foundation’s Community Grants Program, our donors also invest in many social enterprises. One such project is CAFÉ 180 in Englewood. Created by Julie Mihevc, Cathy Matthews, and Libby Whitmore, CAFÉ 180 fills a need in a neighborhood where many people struggle to make ends meet. Neighbors have come to see CAFÉ 180 not only as a place to eat and volunteer, but also as a place where they know they are valued and part of a community that embraces them.
Growing from Strong Roots

Full Pantries, Full Lives

The Denver Foundation works to ensure that Metro Denver residents can meet their basic needs with dignity. Increasing access to nutritious food is an important part of our work.

Food pantries are essential to the system that provides food to people in need, complementing the system of federal nutrition programs. In 2011, the Foundation joined with several donors to pilot the Food Pantry Partnerships Project. The goal was to help groups of food pantries, called “collaboratives,” work together to improve their services. The selected collaboratives were the Food Exchange Resource Network in Southwest Denver, the Jefferson County Mountain Area Partnership, and the Boulder County Collaborative.

During the past two years, the collaboratives have greatly improved their ability to serve their communities. They implemented “client choice,” a model allowing people to choose the food they need, and they increased the availability of fresh produce. In one community, two pantries combined into a single larger pantry, and in another, partners created a shared warehouse.

Now The Denver Foundation is taking what we learned and helping pantry staff leaders improve their effectiveness. The Full Pantries, Full Lives Leadership Institute offered by Hunger Free Colorado, provides support for pantry leaders to develop their leadership skills, to collaborate, and to better serve their clients through practices in inclusiveness and community engagement.

“If we can help these leaders learn from each other and work together, we can improve the whole system of providing emergency food to those in need.” — Tom Heule

Tom Heule, a Denver Foundation donor advisor and member of the Foundation’s Basic Human Needs Committee, shares his perspective. “If we can help these leaders learn from each other and work together, we can improve the whole system of providing emergency food to those in need.” Heule and his family support hunger relief efforts through their fund, particularly a weekend “food backpack” program for children in Metro area parochial schools.

To learn more about the Food Pantry Partnerships Project, or the Foundation’s work on hunger, visit denverfoundation.org and search “Fighting Hunger.” To learn how you can start a donor-advised fund like Tom Heule’s, contact the Philanthropic Services Group at 303.300.1790.
Tilling the Soil
Growing Skills and Communities

Everyone in the large circle wears headphones for translation. Four languages can be heard: English, Spanish, and two dialects of Mai-Mai, the Bantu language spoken by various tribes in Somalia.

No, we are not at the United Nations. We are at Hinkley High School in Aurora, Colorado.

The men and women in the circle have all been working actively to make change in their communities. One group has been building urban farms in Denver’s Westwood neighborhood, and another is organizing parents to introduce a concept called “restorative justice” to their children’s school. Despite the wide range of goals, all are seeking to learn how to mobilize around an issue they identified and to create sustainable change. This is The Denver Foundation’s Resident Leadership Institute.

“As the Foundation seeks to improve the lives of those most in need here in Metro Denver, we recognize the power that comes from helping people take action themselves,” says Adrienne Mansanares, the Foundation’s Director of Community Leadership. “Everyone has strengths and the capacity to make change. Our Strengthening Neighborhoods work has been based on this idea for more than a decade.”

“To learn more, visit The Denver Foundation’s online annual report at: denverfoundation.org/2013annual. You’ll find a video from spoken-word artist Bobby LeFebre sharing the power of the Institute.”

— Adrienne Mansanares

The Resident Leadership Institute, involving more than 70 low-income resident leaders from across the Metro Denver area, meets on Saturdays from September through June. Busy residents, many juggling two or more jobs, make time to come together to learn how best to take action on their issues of concern. The Denver Foundation provides child care, food, and trainers to teach skills such as public speaking and community organizing.
El Sistema Colorado is based on the highly successful El Sistema Program developed in Venezuela in 1975 by Dr. José Antonio Abreu. This program now teaches some 400,000 children throughout Venezuela each year, demonstrating the power of ensemble music to dramatically change the life trajectory of the nation’s youth. Among the graduates of the program is the conductor of the Los Angeles Philharmonic, Gustavo Dudamel.

One of El Sistema’s supporters is the Butler Family Fund, created by the late Brad and Erna Butler. Their children, son Jim Butler and his wife Sharon, and daughter Nancy Accetta and her husband Tony, now recommend grants from the fund. “Mom loved music, and Dad was committed to helping young children. El Sistema does so much to build a basis for success in life for these children, and we’re proud to support them,” says Nancy.

The organization has received funding from several of the Foundation’s donor-advised funds, as well as from the Community Grants Program, the Strengthening Neighborhoods Program, and the Gwen Bowen Performing Arts Fund.

The Denver Foundation seeks to increase student achievement and graduation rates in targeted low-income neighborhoods. One key strategy is the “whole child approach,” which recognizes that students do better when their academic success is linked to an understanding of education as supporting the development of the full human being.

At Garden Place Academy in Denver’s Globeville neighborhood, students as young as four are experiencing the joy of music as they also learn that the study of music can help them to do better in school. This is the whole child approach coming to life.

Through El Sistema Colorado, teaching artists provide high-quality, rigorous ensemble music education. The students learn to strive for excellence, while developing sustained attention, self-discipline, and perseverance. They also gain critical cognitive development related to language acquisition, literacy, and math, all in the context of learning about, enjoying, and creating music.

Branches

Music Fuels Student Success
New Fields
Exploring New Fields of Philanthropy

The Denver Foundation stands firmly rooted in 89 years of community service, yet in the ever-changing social landscape, the Foundation recognizes that innovative approaches are the seeds for continued growth. In Metro Denver, there are several fields ripe with potential for impact. Three affiliate programs – Mile High Connects, Social Venture Partners, and TEDxMileHigh – are all pioneers in this territory with The Denver Foundation.

Through Mile High Connects, national foundations, local foundations, banks, and nonprofit organizations have come together to increase access to housing choices, good jobs, high-quality schools, and essential services via public transit. By increasing resources, influencing policy, and working directly with residents, Mile High Connects is helping the Metro Denver regional transit system foster communities that offer all residents the opportunity for a high quality of life.

Social Venture Partners Denver (SVP) is a program of The Denver Foundation that unleashes the financial resources, passion, and skills of professionals who work together to help tackle the strategic business needs of nonprofits. In 2013, Denver Urban Gardens (DUG) embraced a pivotal opportunity when they decided to apply to SVP, recognizing that after 20 years of successful growth from four to more than 130 neighborhood gardens, their organization needed a comprehensive review and a new business model to take it to the next level of growth and sustainability. SVP met DUG’s request with a team of SVP Partners under the leadership of Eric Watson, Division Preceptor for DaVita Healthcare Partners, and Lauren Benjamin, a strategy consultant. SVP guided the DUG team to identify and implement a path for growth, impact, and sustainability.

TEDxMileHigh works to spread big ideas and elevate inspired citizenship in Colorado by showcasing innovative speakers who each give the “talk of their life” around the power of ideas. This diverse group of thought leaders and innovators educates, inspires, and stimulates change with the ultimate goal of sparking deep discussion and action across our communities.

TEDxMileHigh is made possible by the work and effort of the broader community: inspired attendees; the efforts of thousands of hours from a large, committed team; deep involvement from partners and sponsors; and a wealth of brilliant innovators in Colorado who donate their time, energy, and talents to contribute to “Ideas Worth Spreading.”

In 2013, in addition to its main event, TEDxMileHigh presented two other community showcases focused on youth and women.

On the facing page: Award-winning slam poets Theo Wilson (aka Lucifury), Ken Arkind, and Bobby LeFebre present at TEDxYouth@MileHigh.
Giving circles and affinity groups are a form of philanthropy through which groups of individuals donate their own money to a pooled fund, decide together what charities or community projects to give to, and in so doing, increase their awareness of and engagement in the community. Many such groups also contribute their time and skills to support local causes.

In May 2012, The Denver Foundation supported the creation of Denver African-American Philanthropists (DAAP): Black Men Giving With a Purpose. DAAP is the first African-American men’s giving circle west of the Mississippi River. Like so many other giving circles around the country, members impact Metro Denver by giving their time, talent, and treasure to those in greatest need.

In late 2012, The White Rose Foundation, philanthropic arm of The Links, Inc. – Denver (CO) Chapter, created The White Rose Endowment Fund at The Denver Foundation. The Links, Inc. is comprised of African-American women who collectively provide services, scholarships, volunteer time, and programs that impact the community.

In 2013, The Denver Foundation brought together a group of arts funders to create the Arts Affinity Group as a collective giving platform. The purpose of the group is to expand opportunities for those who partner with the Foundation to leverage their funding, learn from one another, and promote arts in our community. In February, the group voted to approve their first round of grants, providing support to four leading arts education organizations based on criteria that focused on innovation, technology, and access for disadvantaged populations.

In 2014, the Foundation is launching an Environmental Affinity Group. The Denver Foundation also hosts a number of other giving circles. For more information about how you can get connected, contact the Philanthropic Services Group at 303.300.1790.
The professional advisor community is essential to the long-term success of The Denver Foundation. For nearly nine decades, the Foundation has worked closely with estate planning attorneys, trust officers, financial advisors, and CPAs to connect their clients with the charitable causes they care about the most.

Professional advisors understand that charitable giving is an important part of a comprehensive legal, financial, and tax planning discussion. By partnering with The Denver Foundation and tapping its expertise, these advisors offer extra value to their clients. Whether it is the couple hoping to leave a legacy, the family with a complicated tax situation, or the business owner wanting to make an immediate philanthropic impact, professional advisors partner with the Foundation’s Philanthropic Services Group to help find the best solutions for their clients.

These professional advisors include Wanda Colburn, Managing Director at Atlantic Trust Private Wealth Management, and Carl Stevens, estate planning attorney at Davis Schilken, PC, who received the Foundation’s 2013 Philanthropic Leadership Award (PLA). Each year since 2004, the Foundation has hosted the Philanthropic Leadership Awards Reception to express appreciation to the professional advisor community and to recognize advisors who have distinguished themselves as champions of philanthropy.

Wanda and Carl were recognized not just for their successful partnerships with the Foundation, but also for outstanding charitable leadership that has enriched our community. After ten years and 31 awardees, the PLA program continues to celebrate those advisors who help facilitate and inspire their clients to give.

As Foundation President and CEO David Miller expressed at this past year’s reception, “When we reflect on our efforts and the proud tradition of philanthropy in our community, we appreciate the support of the professional advisor community and those who have helped us along the way.”
The Denver Foundation currently manages more than 1,000 charitable funds for individuals, groups, nonprofits, and companies. Within each fund there exists a blooming network of philanthropy, each a bed of charitable activity that engages community and creates impact.

One such story is that of RBC Wealth Management. Currently the nation’s sixth-largest full-service securities firm, RBC strives to be a leader in the communities where it does business. RBC has demonstrated that commitment by investing company dollars and staff volunteer hours in many charitable projects. When the tragic shootings occurred at Columbine High School in 1999, RBC created the RBC Wealth Management Columbine Scholarship Fund, under the leadership of Senior Vice President Bob Schneebeck, to honor and award academic scholarships to students attending Columbine at the time of the tragedy.

“Our goal was to provide scholarships for four years. However, it was such a positive experience that we needed to do more,” states Schneebeck. The program became the RBC Wealth Management Colorado Scholarship Fund, which recognizes the hard work and positive examples set by all Colorado high school students. With the passionate vision of Schneebeck, along with input from Karen Bellina, Director of The Denver Foundation’s Scholarship Programs, the Fund has further evolved to support students pursuing science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) careers.

All involved in the process wish they could award more scholarships. The Fund typically receives 90 to 100 applications each year, and awards five $3,000 scholarships. RBC’s goal is to build the Fund up to $1 million to provide an increased number of scholarships.
Through the Community Legacy Society, The Denver Foundation honors those who have named the Foundation in their wills or estate plans. Enrollment in this society is simply a matter of advising us that you have created a planned gift, of any type, size, or purpose to The Denver Foundation. We hope you will give us the opportunity to honor your visionary giving or to assist you and your advisors as you prepare to invest in the community even after your own lifetime. Please visit our Legacy Society Donor Wall at denverfoundation.org/donors/donor_wall and contact the Philanthropic Services Group at 303.300.1790 to learn more.

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Many donors give generously to create or support funds that are part of the Foundation’s Community Endowment and will help Metro Denver in perpetuity. The beauty of a community foundation is that these funds will help meet local needs as they change over time.

If you are interested in supporting the Metro Denver region by giving to the Community Endowment, please contact the Philanthropic Services Group at 303.300.1790.

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If you are interested in supporting any of the programs listed here and described on page 25, please contact the Philanthropic Services Group at 303.300.1790.

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Girls Athletic Leadership School
The Denver Foundation believes that veterans and service members are untapped national assets, having acquired experiences and skills while serving in the military that have significant value in the workplace and communities.

Veterans have developed technical and leadership skills, maturity, discipline, and a desire to continue to be of service. In 2013, The Denver Foundation launched the Veterans Behavioral Health Services Project to help veterans transition successfully to civilian life and to increase their ability to contribute to our community. Ten nonprofits received grants to support the behavioral health needs of veterans and their families. For more information visit http://denverfoundation.org/community/page/veterans-behavioral-health-project.

Helping Veterans
The Denver Foundation provides support to several organizations and projects that are working to enrich the community.

**The Colorado Nonprofit Loan Fund**
The Colorado Nonprofit Loan Fund (CNLF) is a supporting organization of The Denver Foundation. Established in 1981, the Fund provides short-term loans to help organizations with cash flow issues. Loans of up to $50,000 are available for an 11-month period and are charged six and one-half percent or the prime interest rate, whichever is higher. Any 501(c)(3) organization in Colorado is eligible to apply. For more information, contact Rosanne Sterne at 303.300.1790, ext. 126. Visit www.denverfoundation.org/grants for more information.

**The Longmont Community Foundation**
Through year-end 2013, the Longmont Community Foundation (LCF) was an affiliate of The Denver Foundation. The Foundation strives to improve life in the Longmont area through philanthropy, leadership, and strengthening the community. Since its inception, LCF has awarded more than $2.3 million in grants to nonprofit organizations that serve residents of Longmont in the areas of Arts & Culture, Civic & Education, Health, and Human Services. Visit www.longmontfoundation.org or call 303.678.6555 for more information.

**Minoru Yasui Community Volunteer Awards**
In 1976, the Denver Commission on Community Relations, United Bank of Denver, and the Rocky Mountain News started an awards program to honor outstanding community volunteers. Less than a year later, they renamed the award after Minoru Yasui, a community leader who headed the Commission for several years and volunteered for dozens of organizations. The Minoru Yasui Community Volunteer Awards (MYCVA) Program presents awards monthly (except in December) to honor women and men who make unique volunteer contributions to the community. The recipients receive a cash award to designate to a nonprofit organization of their choice. The Denver Foundation provides administrative support for this program. To make a nomination, call The Denver Foundation at 303.300.1790, ext. 136. Visit www.denverfoundation.org to see the 2013 MYCVA award winners.

**Social Venture Partners Denver**
Social Venture Partners Denver (SVP) promotes philanthropy and increases nonprofit effectiveness. Individuals and businesses become a member of SVP by contributing to SVP’s Field of Interest Fund at The Denver Foundation. By pooling their contributions, members of SVP are able to amplify their giving and impact. SVP members strengthen the nonprofit sector by making operating grants and delivering high level pro bono consulting. Since its inception, 290 members of SVP Denver have worked with 50 nonprofit organizations, donated $700,000 in cash grants, and delivered over $2 million in pro bono consulting. For more information, visit www.svp-denver.org or call 303.996.7324.

**Urban Land Conservancy**
A nonprofit organization established in 2003, the Urban Land Conservancy (ULC) uses real estate as a tool to benefit the Metro Denver community in much the same way that a land trust preserves open space for future generations. The ULC is a supporting organization of The Denver Foundation, with an independent board of directors. For more information, call 303.377.4477 or visit the ULC online at www.urbanlandc.org.

**TEDxMileHigh**
TEDxMileHigh showcases Colorado’s maverick thinkers and doers, risk takers, professional athletes, innovators, humanitarians, creative performers, and many more extraordinary people in unique platforms that target youth, women, and entrepreneurs. TEDxMileHigh is a fund of The Denver Foundation. For more information, visit www.tedxmilehigh.com or call 303.300.1790.

**Mile High Connects**
Mile High Connects (MHC) is a broad partnership of organizations from the private, public, and nonprofit sectors that are committed to increasing access to affordable housing, good jobs, high-quality schools, healthy communities, and essential services via public transit. By increasing resources, influencing policy, working with residents, and leveraging the current and expanding Metro Denver transit system, Mile High Connects is fostering a vital region full of opportunity for everyone. MHC is under the fiscal sponsorship and is housed at The Denver Foundation. Visit www.milehighconnects.org or call 303.865.4609 for more information.

See page 12 for more about SVP Denver, TEDxMileHigh, and Mile High Connects.
Donors today and throughout the past 89 years have given generously to The Denver Foundation’s Community Endowment and the work made possible through its proceeds—including Community Grants, the Critical Needs Fund, and the Nonprofit Internship Program.

For information on how your gift can join with those of your neighbors today and from past generations to make a difference, visit denverfoundation.org or contact the Philanthropic Services Group at 303.300.1790.

Community Grants: Making an Impact
As a community foundation, The Denver Foundation believes it essential that we listen to the region’s residents regularly in order to determine how best to use the resources in our Community Endowment. A robust Listening Campaign revealed that the community wants The Denver Foundation to take action in the areas of Basic Human Needs, Community Leadership, Education, and Economic Opportunity.

With the help of more than a hundred volunteers and through extensive community conversations, the Foundation determined how best to invest in these areas of focus.

Our long-term goals are:

Basic Human Needs: As a Metro Denver resident, I am assured of meeting my basic human needs (food, shelter, basic medical care, and safety from domestic violence) in a way that is safe, dignified, and easily managed.

Community Leadership: Metro Denver’s community leadership pool is bigger, more diverse, more skilled, and more connected. Community leaders work to facilitate change to meet basic human needs, improve education, and expand economic opportunity.

Economic Opportunity: Low-income communities, through their own organizing efforts and partnerships with external investors, are places of economic, cultural, and artistic opportunity. There is a significant increase in the percentage of members of low-income communities who have the economic resources to thrive.

Education: Selected low-income schools and communities in Metro Denver will experience increased school readiness, achievement, and graduation rates.

These goals reflect The Denver Foundation’s ongoing commitment to reducing disparities and promoting equity for the most vulnerable members of our community. Based on our nationally recognized work through the Strengthening Neighborhoods Program and the Inclusiveness Project, the Foundation has a deep commitment to investing in organizations that are committed to resident/constituent-based leadership and building racial and economic equity.

You can read stories of this work in action on pages 4–11. For details on specific strategies and information on how to apply for grant funding, visit denverfoundation.org.

Critical Needs Fund
The Denver Foundation activates the Critical Needs Fund in those moments when the community says, “Someone needs to do something. Now.” We leverage our expertise, our networks, and the generosity of donors to move quickly to help people. But we don’t stop there. At pivotal moments, the Critical Needs Fund helps set the stage for long-term solutions.

The Foundation first activated the Critical Needs Fund in 2005 to address dramatically rising energy costs and the resulting effects on local nonprofit organizations. Since then, the Fund has addressed emergency food needs and the systemic issue of hunger in our community. Currently, the Fund is helping unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness in Metro Denver.

Nonprofit Internship Program
Through a competitive application and interview process, selected college students are paired with nonprofit host organizations that meet the criteria of The Denver Foundation. In addition to paid employment over ten weeks, interns engage in a series of workshops on topics such as Nonprofits 101, fundraising, communications, leadership, and networking skills. The program began as a way to encourage the increased future involvement of diverse community members as staff, board members, volunteers, and donors in the nonprofit sector. The Foundation, which does regular evaluations to gauge the effectiveness of the program, revised the curriculum in 2013 to focus more on leadership development and community engagement, as well as to offer interns a deeper look at community needs related to economic, racial, and ethnic disparities.

Environmental Learning for Kids (ELK)
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INSIDE THE DENVER FOUNDATION

As Colorado’s oldest and largest community foundation, The Denver Foundation connects with the community through partnerships with donors, nonprofits, community leaders, and other funders. Visit denverfoundation.org for more details.

The Philanthropic Services Group | The Philanthropic Services Group (PSG) powers the generosity of our donors by working closely with individuals, families, and businesses to make their philanthropy as effective and fulfilling as possible. A few of the services provided by PSG include:
• Assistance with defining charitable needs
• Guidance in creating a tailored and strategic philanthropic plan
• Research about effective charitable organizations
• Creation of a personal fund for giving
• Expertise with charitable estate planning
• Assistance with involving children and grandchildren in charitable giving
• Opportunities to meet other like-minded donors
• Opportunities to co-invest with the Foundation in areas identified by the community as most critical

To find out how PSG can help you, visit denverfoundation.org or call 303.300.1790.

Programs | The Denver Foundation's Community Endowment is comprised of donations from thousands of donors over the Foundation’s 89 years of history. Returns from the investment earnings of the Community Endowment are used to fund Community Grants, Strengthening Neighborhoods, and Technical Assistance (see page 25).

Nonprofit organizations should visit denverfoundation.org to review guidelines before applying to Community Grants, while resident-led organizations should visit www.strengtheningneighborhoods.org.

Communications | The Communications Department helps The Denver Foundation share its stories with our partners in Metro Denver. The department facilitates public outreach, marketing, and positioning in support of the Foundation’s goals.
Philanthropic Partnerships | The Philanthropic Partnerships Department engages leaders from all sectors and stations in life to enhance our community. The department serves as the conduit through which The Denver Foundation engages with nonprofits, public entities, other foundations, and citizens to address broad community issues in a systemic way. Projects and initiatives include the Inclusiveness Project, the Nonprofit Internship Program, and the Veterans Behavioral Health Project. (See pages 23 and 25 for more information on these programs.)

Finance and Administration (F&A) | In addition to managing the Foundation’s Endowment, which is an accumulation of 89 years of gifts from thousands of individuals and families, F&A also oversees the accounting, facilities, fund management, grant processing, human resources, and information technology operations of the Foundation.

Please note: Photographs include staff as of December 31, 2013.

Visit www.denverfoundation.org for a full list of staff names and titles by department.
# 2013 Financial Overview

## Statement of Financial Position

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For information on grants and gifts and to review the Foundation’s complete audited financial statements, visit 2013report.denverfoundation.org.
 AREAS OF GIVING FROM DONOR FUNDS

This chart demonstrates the broad range of interests of the donors of The Denver Foundation. Please note that many grants can be categorized in multiple areas.

DONOR-ADVISED GRANTS
- Total dollars given in donor-advised grants: $35 Million
- Total number of donor-advised grants given: 2,947

SCHOLARSHIPS
- Largest Scholarship Program: The Reisher Family Scholarship Fund is The Denver Foundation’s largest scholarship program. In 2013, the Fund supported 303 students with over $1,760,000 in scholarship grants.
  - Number of scholarships awarded: 721
  - Total scholarship money awarded: $2.7 Million
  - Number of schools attended by scholarship recipients: 86

*In addition to grants directly to churches and religious institutions, the Foundation and its donors give dozens of grants to churches and faith-based organizations that are categorized in the areas of health, education, and basic human needs.
Top row: Art Students League of Denver, Urban Peak, Seniors’ Resource Center
Bottom row: Denver Kids, Focus Points Resource Center, Dragon Boat Festival