

2021 Grants

Colorado Agrivoltaic Learning Center, in support of salary for their Education Director. The Colorado Agrivoltaic Learning Center inspires the next generation of sustainability leaders by connecting community members and students to clean energy, local food and responsible land use management through agrivoltaic tours and events. <u>coagrivoltaic.org</u>

Award: \$5,000

Environmental Learning for Kids (ELK), for programmatic work. ELK educates youth through science and environmental education embedded in all programs and activities, furthering students' understanding and attitudes toward science, the outdoors, their communities, college, and careers. <u>elkkids.org</u>

Award: \$15,000

Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility (PEER), in support of their work with whistleblowers in the Colorado Air Pollution Control Division concerned about rubber stamping of air permits and consequences for air quality in vulnerable communities. We will engage state representatives to advocate for their communities and trigger EPA oversight. <u>peer.org</u>

Award: \$10,000

The Park People, in support of their Denver Digs Trees program, providing free and low-cost trees to Denver residents, with a focus on low-canopy, low-income neighborhoods. The spring 2022 event will distribute 1,000+ trees to 600+ households, improving community wellbeing and growing the urban forest to reduce carbon emissions long-term. <u>theparkpeople.org</u>

Award: \$8,000

2020 Grants

GRID Alternatives Colorado, for their Solar Futures Program training the next generation of community advocates for the growing green economy. Collaborating with schools in low-income and underserved communities, GRID Alternatives provides real-world STEM and renewable energy education to K-14 students. <u>gridalternatives.org/colorado</u>

Award: \$15,000

Wildlands Restoration Volunteers, for their collaborative efforts with Promotores Verdes (PV) and STEM Routes to support traditionally underrepresented communities through stewardship, leadership, and professional development. PV connects families of diverse backgrounds to the outdoors, confront ecological destruction, and meets community needs. <u>wlrv.org</u>

Award: \$7,500

High Line Canal Conservancy, in support of their Canal Conservation Corps (CCC) to build a coalition of volunteer stewards to care for the 71-mile-long High Line Canal, foster climate action, engage diverse and underserved communities, and catalyze the Canal's transition to a resilient

green stormwater infrastructure system. highlinecanal.org

Award: \$2,500

HECHO (Hispanics Enjoying Camping, Hunting, and the Outdoors), to engage and empower Hispanic leaders in the Denver Metro region to advocate for a proactive climate plan for public lands that will address the needs and stories of the communities that are going to face the largest impacts from climate change. <u>hechoonline.org</u>

Award: \$2,500

TEENS, Inc., for their TeamWorks (TW) program, a 21st century Conservation Corps that strives to offer youth a well-rounded survey of work within the conservation movement and supports youth participation in projects within the urban garden movement in Denver. <u>teensinc.org</u>

Award: \$2,500

In addition to the above, \$500 grants were awarded to 350 Colorado, Colorado Association of Black Professional Engineers & Scientists, Community Cycles, Groundwork Denver, League of Oil and Gas Impacted Coloradans, Rocky Mountain Wild, and Solar United Neighbors.

2019 Grants

Blue Star Recyclers, to cover half the cost of a box truck for their Denver Recycling Operations, supporting increased 2019-2020 recycling volume. Blue Star Recyclers matches the same amount to acquire their fleet vehicle. <u>bluestarrecyclers.org</u>

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Award: \$7,500

Green Up Our Schools, to support work with individual schools' green teams (GT) so K-8 students learn the importance of protecting the Earth by reducing, reusing, & recycling as well as enacting district-wide sustainability changes. <u>greenupourschools.org</u>

Award: \$7,500

We Don't Waste, to combat climate change by reducing food waste entering landfills and polluting our environment. WDW recovers food from over 150 food providers, and then delivers it to nonprofits feeding the hungry, resulting in over 6,000 metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions avoided each year. wedontwaste.org

Award: \$7,500

2018 Grants

Colorado Association of Black Professional Engineers and Scientists, for the after-school program *Junior Engineers, Tomorrow's Scientists* (JETS), aimed at increasing the number of students of color exposed to STEM fields via a curriculum with a focus on environmental engineering. <u>cabpes.org</u>

Award: \$15,000

350 Colorado, for their awareness building program to encourage PERA recipients to push for divestment from fossil fuels and investment in renewables. <u>350colorado.org</u>

Award: \$15,000

eGo CarShare, for a program to build out their electric vehicle fleet for use in the Mariposa and Benedict Park Street service areas in partnership with Denver Housing Authority. <u>carshare.org</u>

Award: \$8,000

New Energy Colorado, to expand their *Green Homes Tour* into rural communities to demonstrate the energy cost savings of renewables and energy efficiency upgrades. <u>newenergycolorado.com</u>

Award: \$2,000

2017 Grants

Big City Mountaineers, which develops young leaders by connecting them to nature. BCM takes youth on outdoor expeditions that combine climate change awareness, personal transformation, and skill-building, with a curriculum that is culturally resonant and inclusive. This grant specifically

funded collaboration between Big City Mountaineers and Environmental Learning for Kids. <u>bigcitymountaineers.org</u>

Award: \$10,000

Conservation Colorado and **Groundwork Denver**, for their joint efforts to expand advocacy and build a pipeline of environmental leaders in the Latino community through the Protégete program, which empowers Latinos to build awareness and political agency around climate change. The EAG is committed to supporting engagement in environmental issues among Latinos, who as a group experience higher-than-average rates of asthma and respiratory disease. <u>conservationco.org</u>; <u>groundworkcolorado.org</u>

Award: \$10,000

Mothers Out Front, a national environmental advocacy organization, for their expansion into Colorado. EAG funding will specifically support deep local organizing and planning to identify issues of significant local and regional impact. Past examples of Mothers Out Front engagement include methane reduction and the transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy. <u>mothersoutfront.org</u>

Award: \$9,000

Beaver Ponds Environmental Center, for general operating support. beaverponds.org

Award: \$500

Eco-Cycle, for general operating support. ecocycle.org

Award: \$500

2016 Grants

Eco-Cycle, to conduct outreach and leadership development on recycling and composting as a pilot project in the South Sheridan neighborhood area, which is 13 percent Latino, in particular of Mexican ancestry. <u>ecocycle.org</u>

Award: \$12,500

Conservation Colorado Education Fund, to continue the work of the Protégete program, which builds on the strong Latino cultural commitment to conservation values and seeks to elevate Latino voices and empower communities to engage to defend their right to a healthy environment. The program supported by the EAG will do leadership training for community members interested in environmental justice in Durango and in metro Denver. Latinos' voices are not well represented when decisions are made about environmental concerns. This program aims to correct that underrepresentation, and to infuse Colorado's environmental movement with more inclusive values. <u>conservationco.org/protegete/</u>

Award: \$8,400

Groundwork Denver, for their "Blue Team" water monitoring program in the Sheridan neighborhood along Bear Creek. The Blue Team project provides paid employment for youth ages 16 – 19 to become master river stewards as they learn about water quality impairments, water quality testing methodologies, riparian area health, native plants and wildlife; human impacts on water quality; and environmental justice. groundworkcolorado.org

Award: \$6,800

cityWILD, to expand their Leadership Development Program for older youth that participate in their outdoor experiential education programs. cityWILD works with youth of color, low-income youth, and youth living in neighborhoods with high rates of poverty and uses outdoor and environmental service learning to promote personal empowerment, leadership and community participation. <u>citywild.org</u>

Award: \$6,800

Dinosaur Ridge, for general support of their environmental education programming. <u>dinoridge.org</u>

Award: \$500