



**COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**
of Western Nevada

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Community Matters

Monthly News for Friends and Fundholders

Greetings!



This Week Marks the Community Foundation's 22nd Year.

This week in our 22nd year, we are proud to announce that more than \$132 million in grants and scholarships were made since February 1998.

In 2019, The Community Foundation Board of Trustees approved more than \$13,253,000. in grants and scholarships, mostly to regional nonprofit organizations. Community Foundation fundholders recommended 999 different grants to support causes and organizations that matter to them. The majority of grants were distributed from Community Foundation donor advised funds

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Mike Wilden talks to members of the Women's Giving Circle about the future home of Our Place, formerly the Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services Campus

Site Visits Deepen Fundholders' Connection to Their Philanthropy

Site visits are one way for the Community Foundation Fundholders to get to know an organization. They are a best practice among foundations globally, and present valuable opportunities for both Community Foundation staff and the nonprofit visited to share each other's work. A typical site visit involves a tour of the organization's facility or project, as well as a conversation about the organization's mission and

activities. During the visits, Donor Services staff as well as Fundholders enrich their knowledge and build relationships with the nonprofit executives.

This month Program Officer Lyndsey Crossley accompanied members of the Women's Giving Circle Fund on-site visits to nonprofit living facilities serving women and children.

[Read more and see photos from the Women's Giving Circle Site Visits](#)



Join Us for Coffee and Conversation

As part of the new Preventing Financial Scams Initiative, the Community Foundation is hosting coffee and conversation gatherings to educate our community on fraud, elder financial abuse, and more.

Learn about the latest scams targeting our community and how you can protect yourself.

Have you stopped a scammer? Drop by and share your story - help others!
[RSVP by March 11](#)

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION AT THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Friday, March 13 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
50 Washington Street, Suite 300, Reno 89503

[RSVP](#)



Family Estate Planning Series Begins March 25

PBS Reno and the Community Foundation of Western Nevada, along with nonprofit sponsors, present a series of free, in-depth workshops on estate planning.

Learn how to take charge of your own estate.

Wednesdays, March 25 to May 13, 2020 Time: 10:30 am - Noon or 1:30 - 3 pm
Classes are held at the Sierra View Library Reno Town Mall, 4001 S. Virginia Street

[Learn More](#)



Bennie and Tommy Livoti

Tommy Livoti Enjoyed Income from Community Foundation Charitable Gift Annuities

Fundholder Tommy Livoti was a conservative investor, only comfortable with fixed instrument investing. As a result his annual personal income was in the low percentage points.

While working with the Community Foundation on his Legacy Fund plans and scholarship fund, he learned that Charitable Gift Annuities could give him a needed income stream.

Tommy invested with the Community Foundation through a Charitable Gift Annuity and enjoyed the annual payout. At his passing the remainder of his CGA went to his scholarship fund to benefit the students of St. Teresa Avila school.

Tommy sent CEO Chris Askin a note from the hospital before he passed. It was meaningful to realize how glad Tommy was for all the charitable plans he had made in honor of his wife, Bennie, and of the trust he placed in the Community Foundation.

[Read Tommy's story](#)

What is a Charitable Gift Annuity?



Learn how a charitable gift annuity can help you contribute to a cause you love, save you taxes, and generate a secure and steady income stream for you or a family member.

Download your free Charitable Gift Annuity brief, [A Plan for Today](#)



Connecting people who care with causes that matter.
I would love to hear from you.

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Forward to a Friend