

The Catalyst

The Carlsbad Community Foundation August 2025



Community Giving Week
September 7-13, 2025



Celebrate philanthropy with us!

Community Giving Week is upon us and we can't wait to celebrate philanthropy! I have said many times before that here at the Foundation, we have a front row seat from which we get to see the best of humanity! Our donors



care about people, young and old. They care about issues, like education, hunger and homelessness. They care about animals. They care about the arts and our quality of life. In a nutshell, they care about our community.

People in Carlsbad and South Eddy County are incredibly generous and Community Giving Week is a way

for us to celebrate that generosity and the positive outcomes that result.

One of the most important aspects of philanthropy in our area to know is that there is no one-size-fits-all approach! As a community foundation, we are honored to accept donations of all sizes, big or small, because it is our combined effort that ultimately makes an impact in our community.

We all play a role, so it's not necessary to be a famous philanthropist, like Bill Gates or Warren Buffet, to make a difference. We can each participate in philanthropy in our own way and at a level that fits our own lives.

Generosity also isn't limited to individuals, but is shown by businesses and companies, as well. We work with many companies that cherish their role as a good neighbor and strive to make the community better, not only for their employees and families, but for everyone who calls this area home.

So, whether you are a first-time donor, someone who gives to charities regularly or perhaps a Foundation Benefactor, I invite you to celebrate with us! A guide to Community Giving Week on Page 4 outlines multiple ways to participate, including following us on Facebook, attending our community reception or taking advantage of the endowment matching program. Let the celebration begin!

Mike Antiporda is the Executive Director of the Carlsbad Community Foundation

Foundation awards scholarships to continuing/returning students



Rita Moreno

The Foundation is pleased to announce the award of 67 scholarships to continuing or returning students. The total value of the scholarships awarded was more than \$84,000!



Julian Magallanes

The scholarships are for students that are either going to college or vocational school. The online application was available for the entire month of June and the response was tremendous.

The number of applicants increased by about 43 percent to nearly 120 applications.

The fact that so many local students look to the Foundation to help continue their college or vocational education is great, but of course that made for some very difficult decisions for the selection committees.



Baylee Molina

The Foundation is the largest single provider of scholarships in South Eddy County and also has a scholarship cycle for



Elijah Cisneros

graduating high school seniors each year. We are proud to support our local students and encourage those who did not receive a scholarship this time to apply again next year.



"Scout" accepts the Duke Grant on behalf of Noah's Ark Animal Refuge with the help of Jill Holt and Jennifer Donner.

Benjamin P. Duke Memorial Grants awarded

The Board of Directors approved the award of five grants to five organizations that benefit animals, domestic or wild. The Benjamin P. Duke Memorial Grant Program is a competitive grant program that the Foundation offers annually.



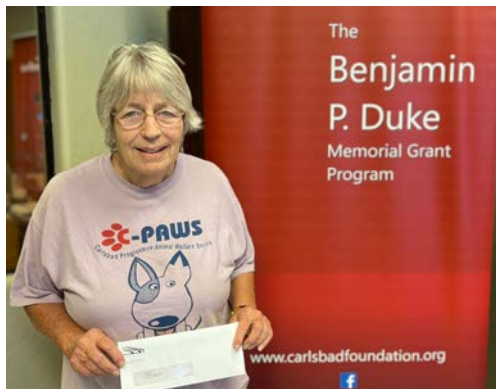
Benjamin P. "Phil" Duke, 1940
Source: nearlovingsbend.net

The program is unique, in that it is specifically for animals. The money for the grant awards comes from an endowment fund established at the Foundation in 2010 by Benjamin P. "Phil" Duke's Trust through CNB Bank's Wealth Management Department. Nearly \$30,000 was awarded among the following 2025 recipients:

- Carlsbad Cares Animal Rescue and Sanctuary
- CPAWS
- Desert Willow Wildlife Rehabilitation Center
- Friends of the Living Desert (not pictured)
- Noah's Ark Animal Refuge

The annual grant program accepts applications annually from April 1-30. Congratulations to all of this year's recipients!

Robert Dunaway
from Carlsbad
Cares Animal
Rescue and
Sanctuary.



Joy Turner from
CPAWS.



Desert Willow Wildlife Rehabilitation Center Board Members
Jim Goodbar, Liz Cheli, Sybil Walterscheid and Ty Allen.



A Quick Guide to Community Giving Week

Wanting to participate in Community Giving Week, but not sure how?
Here are some ways to join us in the celebration!



Philanthropy 360

Community foundations support all philanthropy, whether it's through us or not! Why not support a cause you believe in during Community Giving Week? The Foundation manages charitable funds to support many needs throughout our community and always appreciates the support of donors. But, if we don't have a fund to support what you're interested in, we can help you find what you want elsewhere!



Foundation grants

The Foundation will be doing its part during Community Giving Week by highlighting the work of numerous nonprofits by awarding them grants. Follow us on Facebook for pictures and to read about how these charities are making a difference!



Community reception

Join us to celebrate philanthropy! The highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Carlsbad Community Foundation Legacy Award (see article at right)! The reception will be on Thursday, Sept. 11, 2025 at 6 p.m. at the Pecos River Village Carousel House. **Admission is FREE, but you must RSVP by Sept. 3, 2025 by calling (575) 887-1131.** Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served and a cash bar will be available. We hope to see you there!



Endowment matching

The Foundation will match all one-time donations to endowment funds received or postmarked during Community Giving Week (Sept. 7-13, 2025) dollar-for-dollar up to \$100! Also, new or increased online Recurring Gifts (automatically paid monthly, quarterly or yearly by credit card) to endowments will be matched up to \$100 each payment for a year. If you already give a recurring gift, please call the Foundation for assistance to increase your gift and be eligible for matching (limitations apply).

Take a look at how this matching program can maximize your charitable impact:

One Time Gifts

\$25 donation + \$25 Foundation match = \$50 impact!
\$100 donation + \$100 Foundation match = \$200 impact!

Online Recurring Gift

\$100 donation/month + \$100 Foundation match/month
= \$2,400 impact!

Increased Online Recurring Gift

(Please call for assistance)

Existing \$100 donation/month + \$20 increase + \$100
Foundation match/month = \$2,640 impact!



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Carlsbad Community Foundation Legacy Award to be presented to Gil and Vicki Moutray

The Carlsbad Community Foundation is pleased to announce that Gil and Vicki Moutray will be the 2025 recipients of the Carlsbad Community Foundation Legacy Award. The organization's highest philanthropic honor, the award recognizes individuals or organizations for substantial impacts on our community through giving and/or service.

"Gil and Vicki Moutray have been pillars in our community," says Foundation Board President Gemma Ferguson. "They are a perfect blend of hard work, kindness and love of people. We are so excited to recognize them with this award."

Individually and through their business, Seven Rivers LLC, the Moutray's have supported many charitable needs in the community over the years. Vicki joined the Foundation's Board of Directors in

1993 and has served more years in that role than any other person in the organization's 47-year history, having completed her most recent term in 2024.



The presentation will take place at the Foundation's annual Community Giving Week Reception at 6 p.m. on Thursday, September 11, 2025 at the Pecos River Village Carousel House. The event's purpose is to celebrate philanthropy and it typically attracts a wide variety of donors, staff and volunteers, all who play an integral role in the local nonprofit community.

Admission is free of charge, however attendees must RSVP by Sept. 3, 2025 by

calling (575) 887-1131 (see reception details below).

You're Invited!

The Board of Directors cordially invites you to the

2025 Carlsbad Community Foundation Reception

Join us in honoring Gil and Vicki Moutray as the recipients of the Carlsbad Community Foundation Legacy Award during our celebration of philanthropy!

Hors d'oeuvres will be served
and a cash bar will be available.

Thursday, September 11, 2025
6 to 8 pm at the Pecos River Village Carousel House

RSVP required to attend by calling
(575) 887-1131 by Sept. 3, 2025.
Business attire.



Tributes & Donations

May 1, 2025 to July 31, 2025

Memorials

John F Andrews

*Carlsbad Museum Fund**
Mary Bradshaw and
Gerald Kauver
Maria C Higgins
Robert and Barbara Moon
Museum Amigos Demand Fund
Elva Busch
Glenda Bushman
Henage and Gail Magill
Dwight and Sabette
Pitcaithley

Hipolito Antiporda

*Founders Fund**
Mike and Deena Antiporda

Wanda Faye Funk Benefield
*Carlsbad Community Kitchen Fund**
Wade and Carol Murray

Dick A. Blenden

*Class of '72 Scholarship**
Leslie Heinsch
*Founders Fund**
Carlsbad Community
Foundation Board and Staff
*Judge David Redford Memorial Scholarship**
Gemma Ferguson

Ruth Brown

*Candy Thomas Bussell Memorial Scholarship**
Craig and Sheri Stephens

Kenneth Carey

*Class of '72 Scholarship**
Craig and Sheri Stephens

Anna Lou Chandler

*Founders Fund**
Mike & Deena Antiporda
Gemma Ferguson

Joan Ellen "Joni" Stanley Clark

Noah's Ark Demand Fund
Charles and Nancy Dugger

Mary Lou Dow

*Class of '72 Scholarship**
Leslie Heinsch

Brenda Forrest

*CARC, Inc. Fund**
Charles and Nancy Dugger
Jim and Judy Lunardon
Cindy and Gary Taylor

Larry Franklin

*P.R. Leyva Memorial Scholarship**
Kendall and Shirley Myers

Jerry Galloway

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Kendall and Shirley Myers

William "Billy" Grandi

*Kelsey Davis Memorial Scholarship**
Gemma Ferguson
Della and Bob Murray
Roger & Cindy Short

Mary Grijalva

*C.M. and Dorothy Moffatt Memorial Scholarship**
Danny and Catherine Bass

Darrel Gustin

*Mary M. Walterscheid Memorial Fund**
Howard and Mandy Funchess

Larry Henderson

*Class of '72 Scholarship**
Craig and Sheri Stephens
*Founders Fund**
Jerry and Florence Golden

Gordon Hennessy

*Mary M. Walterscheid Memorial Fund**
Howard and Mandy Funchess

Mayor Dale Janway

*Class of '72 Scholarship**
Craig and Sheri Stephens

Jessica Isbell Johnson

*Loving High School Scholarship**
Shirley Lewis

John Franklin "Frank" Joyce II

*Donna Umstead Markle Nurse Scholarship**
Julie Murdoch

Refugia "Cuca" Lopez

*Loving High School Scholarship**
Shirley Lewis

Henry McDonald

*Loving High School Scholarship**
Shirley Lewis
*C.M. and Dorothy Moffatt Memorial Scholarship**
Danny and Catherine Bass

Monty and Bobbie McWilliams

*Founders Fund**
Thomas and Ethel
McWilliams

Roy O'Daniel

Inspired by Science Fund
Judy and Robby Walterscheid

Linda Palma

Linda Palma Memorial
Scholarship*
Alex Palma

Gary Perkowski

*Class of '72 Scholarship**
Craig and Sheri Stephens

John Pierre Redman

*Candy Thomas Bussell Memorial Scholarship**
Craig and Sheri Stephens

Elsa A. Rodriguez

*Loving High School Scholarship**
Shirley Lewis

Cutter Rogers

*C.M. and Dorothy Moffatt Memorial Scholarship**
Danny and Catherine Bass

Kathryn J. Sepich

*Kathryn Jaye Sepich Memorial Scholarship**
Dave and Jayann Sepich

Linda O'Donnell Small

*Class of '62 Scholarship**
Mickey and Sally Miller

Ford Stone

*Howard Norman Memorial Scholarship**
Richard and Sue Pagano
and Family

Jan Tidwell's Birthday

*Jan and Chuck Tidwell Tennis Scholarship**
Dennis and Diane Moore

Hector Torres

*C.M. and Dorothy Moffatt Memorial Scholarship**
Danny and Catherine Bass

Freeda G Warren

*Matthew Sweatt Memorial Scholarship**
Mark Warren

Nancy Lee Whittemore

*Class of '72 Scholarship**
Leslie Heinsch
*Founders Fund**
Gemma Ferguson

Nina Fay Williamson

Inspired by Science Fund
Judy and Robby Walterscheid

Carol B. Worley

Packs For Hunger Fund
Carlsbad Community
Foundation Board & Staff
Gemma Ferguson

Primitivo Vasquez Ybarra

*Class of '62 Scholarship**
Mickey and Sally Miller

Bob Zirkle

*Founders Fund**
Thomas and Ethel
McWilliams

Honors

Debra Aragon & Tom Rudys

*Jeanette Wertheim Sparks Memorial Nursing Scholarship**
Bill Kingston

Jessie Bass – Happy Birthday

*C.M. and Dorothy Moffatt Memorial Scholarship**
Danny and Catherine Bass

Sam Bass – Happy Birthday

*C.M. and Dorothy Moffatt Memorial Scholarship**
Danny and Catherine Bass

Carlsbad Rotary Club Speakers

Leslie Messer Wilson Memorial Scholarship of the Cavern City Rotary Club
Ekta Bhakta and
Andrew Dunn
Crystal Montoya
and Roxann Haugen
Lambis Papelis
Amanda Ryan
Melissa Suggs
Janell Taylor
Gerry Washburn

Deanna Garringer – Happy Birthday

*Skyler M. Garringer Memorial Fund**
Garth and Heidi Goodey

Jane Shuler Gray's Retirement

*Tom and Carol Martin's Brittany's Hope Fund**
Bill Kingston

Norma Kelley's 90th Birthday

*Assistance League Demand Fund**
Bill and Beverly Weston
*Founders Fund**
Roni Barnhart

Dave and Jayann Sepich – Janell

*Whitlock Award Recipients Kathryn Jaye Sepich Memorial Scholarship Fund**
Roni, Amy, Michael
and Kevin Barnhart

Kat Winski's Retirement

*Carlsbad Battered Families Shelter Fund**
Bill Kingston

Donations

BCO Wealth Management

Charity Fund
BCO Wealth Management

Carlsbad 16th of September

Fiestas Fund
Intrepid Potash

Carlsbad Day of Prayer Fund

Bobcat Auto Services

Class of '62 Scholarship*

Allen & Deborah Kilgore

Class of '72 Scholarship*

Leslie Heinsch
Pamela Jean Hill-Smith
Mary Hubbard
Pamela Wigley Jones
Allen & Deborah Kilgore
Dave & Jayann Sepich
Craig & Sheri Stephens

Elizabeth (Betsy) A. Feezer

*Memorial Scholarship**
Ross and Rebecca Feezer

Elks Charity Fund

BPOE Carlsbad Elks
Lodge 1558

Emergency Disaster Relief Fund

Merland, Inc.

Feezer Fine Arts Acquisition

*Fund**
Ross and Rebecca Feezer

Founders Fund*

Deborah Beard
ConocoPhillips
Gemma Ferguson
Permian Resources

Fourth of July Fund

Devon Energy
Marathon Petroleum
Corporation
Permian Resources
SIMCO
Waste Connections
Western Commerce
Bank
Xcel Energy

**Friends of North Mesa
Senior Recreation Center
Fund**

Zia Quilting & Stitchery
Guild

**Henry Gutierrez, Jr.
Memorial Scholarship**

BPOE Carlsbad Elks
Lodge 1558
Dale Vick

**Jimmie & Billy Harrison
Presbyterian Youth Fund***

Rebecca Parmeter

Leadership Carlsbad Fund

Anonymous
State Farm Insurance:
Tom McMullan

**Martin Luther King
Memorial Fund**

SIMCO

**Martin Luther King
Memorial Scholarship**

Carlsbad Downtown
Lions Club

**Los Alamos Employees
Scholarship**

Wes Boatwright
Johnathan Callicoat
Jason Granger
Brant Lemons
Jennifer Lemons
Los Alamos National
Laboratories
Jean Francois "Jef"
Lucchini
William McInroy
Jason Montoya
Adrianne Navarrette
Shawn Otto
Philip Smith
Lisa Watson
Priscilla Yanez

National Night Out Fund

Artesia General Hospital
CNB Bank
Eddy County
SIMCO

**Jill Norrid Memorial
Scholarship***

Constellation
Anthony Paneral
Rowie Welch

Riverblitz Fund

Carlsbad Downtown
Lions Club

**Judge David Redford
Memorial Scholarship***

CJ and Jovy Jackson

**River Recreation Center
Fund***

Anonymous

Riverblitz Fund

SIMCO

**Riverwalk & Special
Projects Demand Fund**

Anonymous

**Riverwalk Recreation
Center Fund**

Anonymous

**Matthew Sweatt Memorial
Scholarship Fund**

Mark Warren

**F.C. Williamson Rotary
Memorial Scholarship***

Carlsbad Rotary Club

**Women for a Better
Carlsbad Fund**

Kathleen Davis
Desert Bloom
Dermatology
Eddy County
Little Digger Man
Paradise Salon and Spa

**Carlsbad Lifehouse opens new homes**

Congratulations to Carlsbad Lifehouse on the recent opening of two new Sober Living Homes. The Foundation supported the project with a \$24,600 grant in 2023 from the Skyler M. Garringer Memorial Fund.

The Catalyst Fund offsets printing costs

Did you know you can donate to "The Catalyst Fund" to help offset the cost of producing a printed publication? Whether you read the printed or electronic version, we are glad you keep up with all the philanthropic news and activities at the Foundation!

Cut along dotted line

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Donor _____

Address _____

E-mail address _____

Tribute Information (optional):

My donation is to ☐ Honor / ☐ Memorialize the following person: _____

Please notify _____

at the following address _____

Gift amount _____

☐ **Founder's Fund**
(Overall support of the
Foundation's mission) or

☐ **Other Fund** _____
(Write in fund name or description. Full list available online)

**Planned Giving (optional):**

- ☐ I have included the Foundation
in my Will or other planned
giving documents
- ☐ Please send me information
about planned giving options
at the Foundation

About Us

The Carlsbad Community Foundation was established in 1978 and seeks to improve the lives of people in Carlsbad and South Eddy County.



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Foundation supports “Stuff the Bus” effort

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At the start of each school year, our amazing community comes together to provide school supplies for many local students. The Stuff the Bus program is spearheaded by the United Way of Eddy County and includes donations and volunteers from many businesses and organizations. The Foundation is proud to have recently awarded a \$2,000 grant to support the effort. Shown above, the Foundation's Jovy Jackson and Mike Antiporda are presenting the grant to Kyle Marksteiner and Rhonda Jones of the United Way of Eddy County.