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## **Foundation Awards 20 Chevron Catalyst Grants to Local Non-Profit Organizations**

**CARLSBAD, N.M., February 5, 2026** – The Carlsbad Community Foundation’s mission to improve the lives of people in Carlsbad and South Eddy County took a big step, today. One-by-one at a grant award ceremony, members of the Foundation’s Board of Directors awarded Chevron Catalyst Grants to 20 local non-profit organizations to address diverse charitable needs in the community. The total amount awarded was in excess of \$67,000.

The Foundation has awarded grants to non-profit organizations as part of its Chevron Catalyst Grant Program since 2018. The program is part of a long-standing partnership with Chevron that established a charitable fund in 2016. Chevron, which is one of the Foundation’s Organizational Benefactors, has generously supported the Chevron Catalyst Fund annually ever since, ensuring resources to assist nonprofits that serve our community. The Foundation is responsible for selecting the recipients through a competitive grant process, drawing on its experience and extensive knowledge of local non-profit organizations to maximize the use of charitable dollars.

“The Foundation is able to impact so many people through this program,” said Foundation Board President Therese Rodriguez. “We greatly appreciate the trust that Chevron places in us and their continued support that makes this program possible!”

Juan Quintero, Operations Superintendent of Chevron’s Operations-New Mexico West, was on-hand for the grant award ceremony and heard first-hand how the funds will be used by the recipients.

"Chevron is proud to partner with the Carlsbad Community Foundation in supporting local nonprofits that make such a meaningful difference in our community," said Quintero. "We believe these grants will empower organizations to continue their important work, and we look forward to seeing the positive impact they will have in Carlsbad and South Eddy County."

The 2026 Chevron Catalyst Grant recipients are listed below:

1. AAUW Carlsbad
2. CARC Inc.
3. Carlsbad Area Art Association
4. Carlsbad Battered Families Shelter
5. Carlsbad Cares Animal Rescue and Sanctuary
6. Carlsbad Community Theater
7. Carlsbad Literacy Program
8. Carlsbad Mainstreet Project
9. Christian Women's Job Corps of Carlsbad
10. C-Paws
11. Desert Willow Wildlife Rehabilitation Center
12. Eddy County CASA
13. Lakeview Christian Home
14. Living Truth Academy
15. Noah's Ark Animal Refuge, Inc.
16. Southeast New Mexico Community Action Corporation
17. Southeast New Mexico Homeschool Hub
18. Southeast New Mexico Veterans Transportation Network
19. Southeastern New Mexico Historical Society
20. United Way of Eddy County

#### **About the Carlsbad Community Foundation**

The Carlsbad Community Foundation is a charitable, 501(c)(3) organization that exists to improve the quality of life for the people of our community and South Eddy County. The work of the Foundation is achieved by building endowment funds for long-term support of non-profit organizations, scholarships and other charitable purposes.

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