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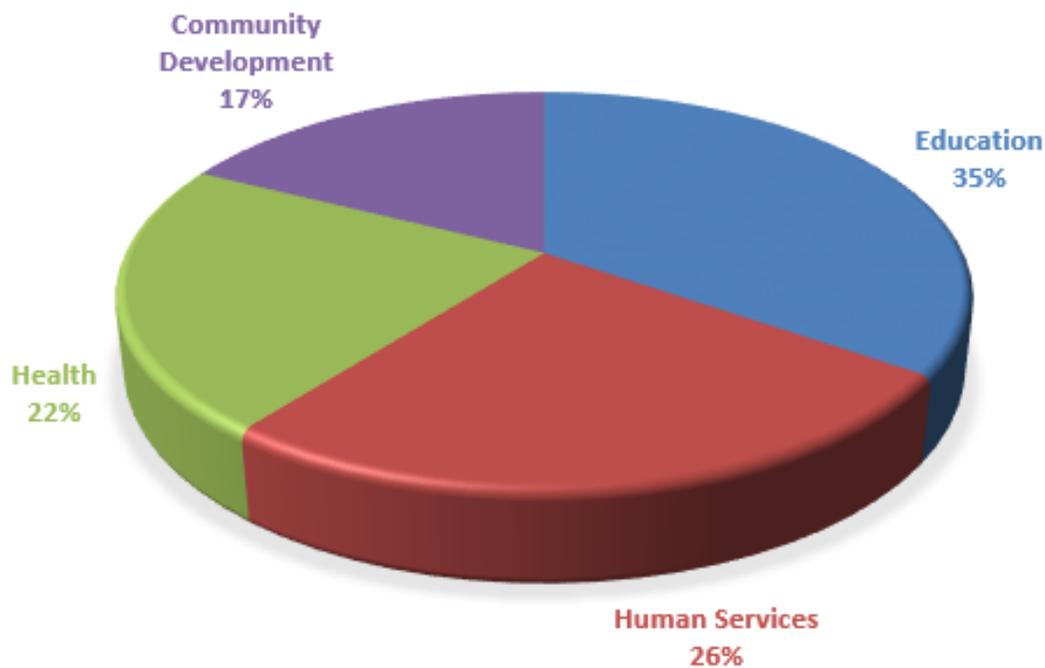
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. EDUCATION. HEALTH. HUMAN SERVICES.

RK Foundation: Building Our Community

SUMMER 2017 NEWS

The [RK Foundation](#) (RKF) is funded by RK's recycling efforts. All of the money earned from recycling the scrap metal generated in our fabrication facilities and our projects across RK's seven business units goes to the foundation to support community development, education, health and human services. As of July 2017, the foundation has granted \$208,940! To date, the RKF has granted over \$800,000 to regional nonprofits and public charitable causes.

RK FOUNDATION - FUNDING AS OF JULY 2017



Each quarter, the RKF Board of Directors reviews grant applications and determines which organizations best align with our core advocacy areas and our mission to build better lives by strengthening communities and providing opportunities for those most in need.

2017 GRANT RECIPIENTS TO DATE

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

[B:Civic](#)

[Center for Work Education and Employment](#)

EDUCATION

[Alliance for Choice in Education](#)

[Colorado Bioscience Institute](#)

HEALTH

[American Heart Association:](#)
Southwest Affiliate

[Brent Eley Foundation:](#)
[Brent's Place](#)

HUMAN SERVICES

[Amp the Cause](#)

[Boys & Girls Clubs of Weld County Inc](#)

[Freedom Service Dogs](#)

[Crosspurpose](#)

[Colorado Succeeds](#)

[Chris Rule Foundation](#)

[Girls Incorporated of Metro Denver](#)

[Denver Center for the Performing Arts](#)

[Colorado Technology Community Foundation \(Kids Tech\)](#)

[Denver Health and Hospitals Foundation](#)

[Homes for Our Troops](#)

[Habitat for Humanity Vail Valley](#)

[CU Foundation: Assistive Technology Partners](#)

[First Descents](#)

[Lion Global Foundation](#)

[Denver Public Schools Foundation](#)

[Leukemia & Lymphoma Society: Rocky Mountain Chapter](#)

[Metropolitan State University of Denver Foundation](#)

[Green & Gold Foundation](#)

[National Jewish Health](#)

[Salvation Army](#)

[Qualistar](#)

[Project Angel Heart](#)

[Share Our Strength](#)

[Tom McMahon Construction Scholarship Fund](#)

[Ronald McDonald House Charities of Denver](#)

[Water Missions International](#)

[University of Colorado Foundation: Denver Campus](#)

[Vail Health Services Foundation](#)

[Colorado Volunteer Team](#)

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

The 42nd annual [Wells Fargo Ski Cup](#) took place on February 25 at Winter Park Resort. The signature fundraiser for the [National Sports Center for the Disabled](#) (NSCD) raised more than \$250,000 to support year-round therapeutic recreation programming for children and adults with disabilities. In addition to sponsoring the event, RK was one of 33 corporate teams that participated in the Corporate Challenge Ski Race, a competition for bragging rights and prizes.



Wells Fargo Ski Cup - RK Team pictured left to right (not including Broncos Cheerleader bookends): Nick Manely - NSCD Athlete, Rob Dunn, Mikaela Hutchison, Rob Marceau, Zach Ray and Jeff Gannon



Grant check presented to Team Epiphany

[Team Epiphany](#) is a group of nine CU Denver students who designed and built a competitive rover for their senior design project. The rover featured a carbon fiber composite modular frame, belt driven powertrain, front differential, custom light-weight carbon fiber wheels and custom tread. This past March, Team Epiphany competed in the [2017 NASA Human Exploration Rover Challenge](#) at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. The team brought home two honors for [Rookie of the Year](#) and, even more significantly, the [Neil Armstrong Best Design Award](#).

[Freedom Service Dogs](#) is a non-profit that provides service dogs for veterans and active duty military. The 30-year-old organization recently moved into a new facility that allows them to train more

dogs and help more people in need.



Grant check presented to First Descents



Grant check presented to Freedom Service Dogs

[First Descents](#) provides life-changing, outdoor adventures for young adults impacted by cancer. First Descents' participants, ages 18 to 39, experience free outdoor adventure programs that empower them to climb, paddle and surf beyond their diagnosis, reclaim their lives and connect with others doing the same.

[Girls Inc. of Metro Denver's](#) "My Bold Future" event is their signature fundraising luncheon that supports their mission to inspire all girls to be strong, smart and bold! Over 600 supporters attended the event and \$55,000 was awarded to girls from our community.



Girls Inc. Luncheon pictured left to right - back row : Katie Bedard Dell, Aimee Kinning, Kelly Blood, Michelle Brown, Ilana Webb and Michele Harman; front row : Tracy Palumbo, Marcee Kinning and Amy Kaufman

RKF HAS A NEW WEBSITE

The RK Foundation has proudly launched its [new website!](#) The new site:

1. Identifies our four core advocacy areas: community development, education, health and human services
2. Highlights the organizations we are proud to support
3. Offers easy access to detailed guidelines for our grant application process
4. Provides an easy to navigate platform that is compatible with all devices

Check it out at: rk-foundation.org



RK FOUNDATION MISSION

The RK Foundation is committed to building better lives by strengthening communities and providing opportunities for those most in need.

ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

For over 50 years, RK has had the privilege of supporting numerous nonprofits and charities that improve the quality of life in our community. RK has been dedicated to providing financial support for organizations that help people in need. [More >>](#)

WHAT WE FUND

The foundation allocates grant funding and supports employee volunteer hours to local nonprofits and causes that align with our focus areas, which include **community development, education, health and human services**. [More >>](#)

NEWS

Visit our [news page](#) for the most up-to-date information about the RK Foundation.

APPLY

The RK Foundation provides grants to local nonprofits and public organizations. Visit our [application page](#) to apply.

Watch for our next RKF newsletter highlighting our 2017 accomplishments, donation recipients and program highlights!

[The RK Foundation Board](#)
