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**BOHEMIAN FOUNDATION FACT SHEET**

**Mission:**

Bohemian Foundation is committed to the care and enrichment of our local, national and global communities. We accomplish our work through grantmaking, programs and events in our Community, Music, Global and Civic Programs.

**History:**

- Bohemian Foundation was established in 2001 by philanthropist Pat Stryker and is based in Fort Collins, Colo.
- The Bohemian Foundation name and inspiration are taken from the bohemian movement of 19<sup>th</sup> century Europe.
- Bohemian Foundation's first program area was Community Programs and the first grantmaking program the foundation supported was Pharos Fund.

**Current operations:**

- Bohemian Foundation is now composed of four program areas: Community Programs, Music Programs, Global Programs and Civic Programs.
- The foundation employs a 16-member year-round staff.
- The foundation's 2015 grantmaking estimate is \$10 million, with \$2.5 million allocated to each of its four program areas.

**Community Programs:**

- Community Programs has recently refreshed its goals. The new goals include encouraging and enabling youth to thrive; empowering individuals and families on the path toward economic stability; and strengthening our vibrant community.
- Community Programs includes two responsive grantmaking funds: Pharos Fund and Community Event Fund.
- Pharos Fund awards general operating and program support grants through an application process open to eligible organizations that align with the Community Programs goals.
- Community Event Fund is a responsive grantmaking program that supports nonprofits' community and fundraising events that also align with the Community Programs goals.
- Community Programs is also involved with many special initiatives including Give 10, Give Next, Bridges Out of Poverty and Project Homeless Connect.

**Music Programs:**

- Music Programs goals include providing youth with encouragement and opportunities to express themselves through music; increasing performances of live contemporary music; and helping musicians and music-related businesses grow and develop.
- Music Programs includes a responsive grantmaking fund, the Music Event Fund, that supports single and multi-day community events featuring music as an integral part of the event.
- Music Programs also includes special initiatives such as Little Kids Rock, Pianos About Town, Bohemian Nights events and the Music & Sound Lab at the Fort Collins Museum of Discovery.

**Global Programs:**

- Global Programs supports organizations that address some of our most serious global challenges related to health, poverty and the environment.
- Current Global Programs grantees include Echoing Green; Global Health Corps; One Acre Fund; Sanergy; Vision Spring; and Wild4Life.

**Civic Programs:**

- Civic Programs supports Colorado-based and national organizations that work to strengthen democracy.
- Current Civic Programs grantees include Bell Policy Center; Free Press; Third Way Institute; University of Denver Law School Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System; and Brennan Center for Justice.

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