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BOHEMIAN FOUNDATION AWARDS MORE THAN \$500K TO LOCAL NONPROFITS

FORT COLLINS, Colo., Dec. 17, 2015--- Bohemian Foundation today announced that it awarded \$500,500 to 33 local nonprofits working to encourage and enable youth to thrive, empower individuals and families on the path toward economic stability and strengthen our vibrant Fort Collins community. Bohemian Foundation awards Pharos Fund grants twice every year. Today's announcement brings the foundation's Pharos Fund awards to a total of \$1,008,980 in 2015. Since its inception in 2001, Bohemian Foundation Community Programs has awarded more than \$15 million in Pharos Fund grants to a variety of nonprofits serving the Fort Collins area.

"We were pleased to see how applicants responded to our expanded goals and new application," said Sara Maranowicz, Bohemian Foundation's Community Programs director. "Our selection committee looks to understand the impacts local organizations are making. We learn more about our community through each Pharos Fund application process, and we appreciate how the applicants are helping our community thrive. We are committed to supporting local nonprofits who demonstrate their progress on important community issues."

Pharos Fund is a responsive grant making initiative of Bohemian Foundation that makes awards up to \$30,000 to eligible 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations and governmental units. A committee comprised of Bohemian Foundation board members, Bohemian staff and community members selects grantees through a competitive application process.

Full List of Fall 2015 Pharos Fund Recipients:

A total of \$500,500 was awarded to 33 organizations.

Organization Name	Project	Award
Alliance for Suicide Prevention of Larimer County	Raising Awareness of Personal Power (RAPP)	\$15,000
Book Trust	General Support	\$30,000
Cache La Poudre Middle School, Poudre School District	Extended Time Program	\$15,000

CASA of Larimer County	Court Appointed Special Advocates	\$25,000
Center for Public Deliberation, Colorado State University	General Support	\$20,000
Children's Speech and Reading Center	General Support	\$7,500
Colorado Health Network, Inc.	Northern Colorado AIDS Project	\$5,000
Crossroads Safehouse, Inc.	Youth Program	\$30,000
Department of Human Development and Family Studies, Colorado State University	Campus Corps 2016	\$10,000
Department of Student Services, Poudre School District	PeaceJam in Poudre School District High Schools	\$3,000
Faith Family Hospitality of Fort Collins, Inc.	General Support	\$10,000
Food Bank for Larimer County	Food Share	\$30,000
Fort Collins Museum of Discovery, Nonprofit Partner	General Support	\$25,000
Friends of Happy Heart Farm	General Support	\$3,000
Friends of the Gardens on Spring Creek	Plant it Forward	\$5,000
HalfMoon Arts	Youth Arts Apprenticeship Program	\$7,000
Healing Warriors Program	General Support	\$5,000
Homeless Gear	One Village One Family	\$10,000
Homelessness Prevention Initiative	Emergency Rental Assistance	\$15,000
Junior Achievement - Rocky Mountain, Inc.	Global Ready Poudre School District Students K-12	\$10,000
Lincoln IB World Middle School, Poudre School District	Open Door 2016	\$15,000
Little Shop of Physics, Colorado State University	Experiment, Discover, Connect: Enhancing the Elementary Science Experience	\$15,000
Live the Victory, Inc., The Matthews House	Empowering Youth	\$25,000
Lubick Foundation	General Support	\$5,000
Neighbor to Neighbor, Inc.	Renter Program-Achievement of Housing Stability	\$30,000
Partners Mentoring Youth of Larimer County	General Support	\$30,000
Project Self-Sufficiency of Loveland-Fort Collins	Cars for Families Program and Transportation Fund	\$20,000
Project Smile Corporation	General Support	\$10,000
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Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Center	General Support	\$15,000
Summitstone Health Partners	Grandfamily Support Program	\$10,000
The Family Center/La Familia	Read, Learn, Explore: After School Program	\$30,000
The Growing Project	Garden Time	\$5,000
The Kitchen Community	The Kitchen Community Education Program	\$10,000
	TOTAL:	\$500,500

Bohemian Foundation will begin accepting applications for the next Pharos Fund round starting Jan. 5, 2016. With recently expanded Community Program goals, the foundation is encouraging nonprofits and governmental units to review the updated Pharos Fund guidelines to learn more. Visit BohemianFoundation.org for more information.

<u>Bohemian Foundation</u> is a private family foundation established in 2001. Based in Fort Collins, Colo., Bohemian Foundation works to empower citizens and impact communities through its responsive grant making programs and special initiatives.

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