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STUDENTS AWARD NEARLY \$89,000 TO LOCAL NONPROFITS THROUGH GIVE NEXT PROGRAM

FORT COLLINS, Colo., June 15, 2018 – More than 350 Larimer County middle and high school students participating in Give Next capped off their school year by awarding nearly \$89,000 to 33 Larimer County nonprofits.

With financial support from local businesses, foundations and individuals, students from the Poudre and Thompson School Districts awarded grants to recipients including FoCo Café; Alternatives to Violence; and Boys and Girls Clubs of Larimer County. Give Next is a partnership of community volunteers and organizations that includes Bohemian Foundation, the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado, Poudre School District, Thompson School District and the Give Next Advisory Committee.

"Give Next is made possible through the support and participation of so many stakeholders in our community," said Sara Maranowicz, Bohemian Foundation's Community Programs Director. "The local nonprofits who share their missions with students, the teachers and volunteers who prioritize this learning opportunity, the community donors who show their confidence in this next generation of leaders—and of course, the Larimer County students who take community causes to heart and make a difference through grantmaking."

Give Next is a school-based youth philanthropy program designed to provide middle and high school students with experience in philanthropic giving. Through the program, local businesses, foundations and individuals become classroom donors by providing each participating school with \$5,000 to award to Larimer County nonprofits. Many of the students from participating schools also complete their own fundraisers to add to the \$5,000 grant amount provided by donors. Throughout the year, students design and manage their own grantmaking programs. Students work together to identify community needs; choose a focus area; create their own mission statement; research nonprofits; volunteer; conduct site visits; review grant applications and make funding decisions. At the end of the school year, students award grants to selected nonprofits. Through the process, Give Next enables students to experience the power of teamwork, the impact they can have on their community and the rewards of giving time, talent and treasure.

Currently, 15 middle and high schools in Poudre and Thompson School Districts participate in Give Next. Since the program's inception in 2012, nearly \$315,000 has been awarded to a variety of nonprofits serving Larimer County. Every donor dollar goes directly to student grantmaking. For more information about becoming a Give Next classroom donor or about participating in the program, contact Jodie Riesenberger at 970-221-2636 or givenext@bohemianfoundation.org.

Full List of 2017-2018 Give Next Grant Recipients:

Students awarded a total of \$88,982 to 33 organizations.

School	Grant Recipient	Amount
Poudre School District:		
Boltz Middle School		
	FoCo Café	\$2,000
	Live the Victory, Inc. The Matthews House	\$2,000
	Voices Carry Child Advocacy Center	\$3,000
	Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program	\$3,000
	TOTAL:	\$10,000
Cache La Poudre Middle School		
	CASA of Larimer County	\$1,300
	Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Center	\$2,350
	Voices Carry Child Advocacy Center	\$1,700
	TOTAL:	\$5,350
Fort Collins High School		
	Caring Canines	\$1,000
	Fort Collins Eyeopeners Kiwanis Club	\$1,000
	Fort Collins Museum of Discovery	\$1,000
	Foster and Adoptive Families of Larimer County	\$1,000
	Royal Family KIDS Camp	\$1,000
	Voices Carry Child Advocacy Center	\$1,000
	TOTAL:	\$6,000
Kinard Core Knowledge School		
	Hearts & Horses Therapeutic Riding Center	\$2,240
	Teaching Tree Early Childhood Learning Center	\$2,825
	TOTAL:	\$5,065
Lesher Middle School		
	Catholic Charities – The Mission	\$1,188
	Faith Family Hospitality	\$1,648
	FoCo Café	\$690
	Food Bank for Larimer County	\$690
	Homeless Gear	\$690
	TOTAL:	\$5,204

Lincoln Middle School		
	Easterseals Colorado	\$1,535
	Elderhaus Adult Day Programs	\$1,535
	Foothills Gateway	\$1,535
	The Arc of Larimer County	\$500
	TOTAL:	\$5,105
Poudre Community Academy		
	Alternatives to Violence	\$1,200
	Fort Collins Museum of Discovery	\$520
	Kids at Heart	\$1,200
	Live the Victory, Inc. The Matthews House	\$1,200
	Project Youth and Chamber Music (Off the Hook Arts)	\$520
	Specialized Alternatives for Families and Youth (SAFY)	\$520
	TOTAL	\$5,160
Poudre High School		
	Boys and Girls Clubs of Larimer County	\$1,000
	The Center for Family Outreach	\$1,000
	Hearts & Horses Therapeutic Riding Center	\$1,000
	Specialized Alternatives for Families and Youth (SAFY)	\$1,000
	Teaching Tree Early Childhood Learning Center	\$1,000
	TOTAL:	\$5,000
Preston Middle School		
	Hearts & Horses Therapeutic Riding Center	\$2,240
	Specialized Alternatives for Families and Youth (SAFY)	\$2,574
	Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program	\$2,000
	TOTAL:	\$6,814
Rocky Mountain High School		
	Crossroads Safehouse	\$600
	Faith Family Hospitality	\$3,000
	Homeless Gear	\$2,500
	TOTAL:	\$6,100

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Wellington Middle School		
	Alliance for Suicide Prevention of Larimer County	\$3,000
	Live the Victory, Inc. The Matthews House	\$2,000
	TOTAL:	\$5,000
Thompson School District		
Berthoud High School		
	Alternatives to Violence	\$1,138
	Catholic Charities – The Mission	\$2,000
	Faith Family Hospitality	\$2,600
	Thompson Education Foundation – Homeless Assistance Fund	\$1,138
	TOTAL:	\$6,875
High Plains School		
	Easterseals Colorado	\$2,700
	Foothills Gateway	\$1,000
	Hearts & Horses Therapeutic Riding Center	\$1,029
	Respite Care, Inc.	\$1,500
	TOTAL	\$6,229
Lucille Erwin Middle School		
	Harrington Arts Alliance	\$2,080
	Larimer County Partners dba Partners Mentoring Youth	\$3,000
	TOTAL:	\$5,080
Thompson Valley High School		
	Hearts & Horses Therapeutic Riding Center	\$2,000
	Larimer County Partners dba Partners Mentoring Youth	\$2,000
	Specialized Alternatives for Families and Youth (SAFY)	\$2,000
	TOTAL:	\$6,000
Grand Total:		\$88,982

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