

## Community Impact Grants Support the Dallas Community for 2024

This year, Dallas Community Foundation awarded \$45,000 in community impact grants. From supporting opportunities for Dallas residents of all ages to learn, be active and engaged, to preventing food insecurity, homelessness, abuse and neglect among vulnerable community members, to promoting safety, health and well-being, these grants are directly addressing significant needs.

### **Bambinos, OR**

Bambinos, OR works to reduce stress for Polk County families by providing essential supplies, safety equipment and emotional support. A \$2,000 DCF grant will be used to purchase a six month's supply of pull-ups and wipes, impacting the health and well-being of over 150 children.

### **Cascade Pacific Council Boy Scouts**

Local support has driven an effort to restart the local cub scout packs that folded during the pandemic. A \$1,200 DCF grant will provide scholarship assistance for registration fees, handbooks and uniforms, and a subsidy to offset summer camp fees, removing barriers for all to participate.

### **Community Mediation Services for Polk County**

This vital program helps residents resolve differences and find solutions to conflicted relationships. They also work with crime victims and offenders to find appropriate resolution. A \$1,500 DCF grant will cover office expenses essential to providing mediation services.

### **Dallas Area Seniors**

Seniors benefit from activities, classes, and social opportunities at

the Dallas Senior Center. A \$1,000 DCF grant will be used toward administrative and overhead expenses essential to ongoing operations.



### **Dallas Downtown Association**

A cooperative effort is bringing a Farmers Market back to Dallas, fostering a connection between local food producers and community members, supporting the local economy and promoting greater familiarity, understanding and availability of locally raised products. A \$1,000 DCF grant will be used toward necessary infrastructure to ensure the market is accessible for all community members.

### **Dallas Education Foundation**

In partnership with Dallas Education Foundation, a \$4,000 DCF grant will support a small grants program for teachers in the Dallas School District. These grants provide teachers with resources to address changing educational needs, enhance student learning experiences, and improve educational outcomes, with an emphasis on high priority projects that benefit large numbers of students.

### **Dallas Food Bank**

Dallas Food Bank provides emergency food boxes to qualifying low-income, food-insecure families

and seniors. A \$5,000 DCF grant will supplement food boxes with protein enriched foods such as tuna, peanut butter, milk, and eggs as well as personal hygiene items such as toilet paper and soap.

### **Dallas United Methodist Church**

The Dallas Creation Vacation program offers a 3-day stay at Camp Magruder on the Oregon Coast for low-income families. Families who otherwise have no respite from their daily financial hardships can spend quality time together, participate in outdoor recreation activities and build vacation memories. A \$1,000 DCF grant will help offset program expenses.

### **Dallas Youth Garden**

This program provides valuable work opportunities and educational experiences for youth and fresh produce for local food programs. A \$900 DCF grant will purchase equipment and supplies for the garden.

### **Family Building Blocks**

Family Building Blocks prevents child abuse and neglect through home visitation services, therapeutic classrooms, and respite care, serving families with young children who face multiple risk factors. A \$1,000 DCF grant will support therapeutic classroom programs and home visitation services in Dallas.

### **Friends of the Dallas Public Library**

A \$1,450 DCF grant will be used to purchase large print and audiobooks, used primarily by seniors and the visually impaired, enabling them to stay engaged and intellectually active.

### **Kids, Inc. of Dallas**

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## A Word from the President

Dear Friends and Neighbors in the Dallas Community,

Hopefully your summer has been full of sun, activities, and fun! Your Dallas Community Foundation board has remained focused our efforts to sustain our more than 20 years of giving through grants and scholarships well into the future. Our primary focus continues to be on legacy giving through the donation of assets in estate plans.

My wife and I completed our estate planning to include a gift to the Foundation that will continue to support services and programs to the people of our community. Organizations such as Dallas Area Seniors, SABLE House, Bambinos, Court Appointed Special Advocate, Dallas Food Bank, as well as scholarship funds which support local young people make a significant difference in our community. This is why we have chosen the Dallas Community Foundation in our plan because the focus is so broadly based and touches hundreds and even thousands of lives.

It is important we all **remember the past, live in the present and plan for the future.** Please help make that future brighter by supporting your community with a gift that improves the livability of the community of Dallas Oregon.

Sincerely,

Bob Brannigan  
President  
Dallas Community  
Foundation



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Every year, hundreds of Dallas youth, pre-k through 8th grade, participate in Kids, Inc. sports programs. A \$2,000 DCF grant will purchase sports safety equipment and provide scholarships for youth sports registration fees, ensuring that all youth can participate.

### The Kindness Club of Dallas

The Kindness Club provides food, clothing, and hygiene products for students in need. Every Friday, they distribute bags with food for the weekend, bridging the gap until school-provided breakfast and lunch meals resume. A \$3,900 DCF grant will purchase fruits and vegetables for the Friday bags.

### Liberty House

The only child abuse assessment center serving Polk County, Liberty House provides essential services for children and families facing concerns of child abuse, neglect, trauma, or grief. A \$3,200 DCF grant will support the work of the Prevention Services Team to provide child abuse prevention education in Dallas at no cost.

### Marion & Polk Early Learning Hub, Inc.

A \$1,500 DCF grant will support the Dolly Parton Imagination Library program launch in Dallas. Through this nation-wide early childhood literacy program, children up to 5

years old receive an age-appropriate book every month, delivered directly to their home.

### Polk County Family and Community Outreach

Polk County Resource Center works with community members to address immediate needs to support long term sustainability. A \$5,000 DCF grant will provide for housing-related urgent needs to support safe and stable housing.

### Polk Community Free Clinic

Polk Community Free Clinic provides free medical care and mental health services to the uninsured, underinsured, and undocumented. They are the only safety-net health care provider in Polk County. A \$3,750 DCF grant will support PCFC's costs of providing free patient appointments for residents from Dallas.

### SMART Reading

SMART (Start Making A Reader Today) promotes literacy skills for pre-K through third grade students, engaging volunteers to read with children who need support. A \$1,000 DCF grant will supply take-home books for SMART Reading students at Lyle and Oakdale Heights Elementary Schools.

### Western Oregon University/ Rainbow Dance Theater

Building upon last year's success, a \$1,600 DCF grant will support another Code Can Dance STEM+ arts workshop for students at LaCreole Middle School. Through this hands-on learning experience, students integrate coding, mathematics and dance movement, designing LED dance costumes that respond to sound.



# Dallas Students Awarded Scholarships for 2024

This year, 31 students received scholarship awards from 16 funds managed by the Dallas Community Foundation, totaling \$47,700.

Thank you to those who have contributed to these local scholarship funds. You continue to make a meaningful difference in the lives of these outstanding young men and women.

Congratulations to the following scholarship recipients:

- American Legion**  
Italy Clay
- Arvidson**  
Seth Jones
- Karen Barnard Nursing**  
Vanessa Barrera,  
Morgan Shuck  
(renewal)
- Jeremy Buller Memorial**  
Lorelei Parsons
- Charlie Bair Memorial**  
Nicole Vanaken
- Dallas Community Foundation**  
Anna Button, Grace Hannan, Seth Jones, Rowan McDowell, Kiera Schetzel, Amelia Woolsey, Clara Woolsey, Savanna Young
- Dallas Rotary/Morrison Academic**  
Lorelei Parsons, Trevor Olson
- Dallas Rotary/Morrison Vocational**  
Kaitlyn Ragan
- Fairchild Family**  
Vanessa Barrera, Kaelyn Golden, Sophie Timmerman
- Department of Forestry**  
Grace Hannan, Abigail Thorsen
- Chester B. and Jeanne R. Healy**  
Anastasia Barth, Kaitlyn Bryan, Olea Green, Cliff Johnson
- Hank and Wanona Kliever Memorial**  
Coleman Turney
- Stuart Olson Memorial Culinary**  
To be announced
- Piering Family**  
Mia Olson
- Paul Olliff Memorial Math**  
Seth Jones
- Paul Olliff Memorial Wrestling**  
Jose Romero-Hill
- Rochambeau**  
Jose Romero-Hill, Jerrik Wade, Daria Harris (renewal), Toby Ruston (renewal)
- Helen M. Smith**  
Kaitlyn Ragan, Greta Scales



Vanessa Barrera  
Chemeketa Community College  
Nursing



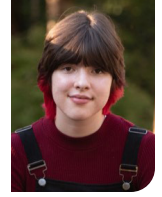
Anastasia Barth  
Oregon State University  
Environmental Engineering



Kaitlyn Brian  
Carroll College  
Environmental Science



Anna Button  
Western Oregon University  
Education and Spanish



Italy Clay  
University of Oregon  
Music Education



Brook Dunkin  
Chemeketa Community College  
Medicine



Olea Green  
Brigham Young University  
Nursing



Kaelyn Golden  
Chemeketa Community College  
Sonography



Grace Hannan  
George Fox University  
Nursing



Daria Harris  
Western Oregon University  
Undecided



Cliff Johnson  
University of Idaho  
Agriculture Economics



Seth Jones  
Brigham Young University  
Civil Engineering



Rachael Lund  
Western Oregon University  
Chemistry



Rowan McDowell  
American University  
International Studies and French



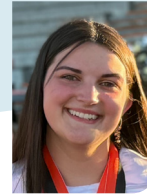
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Chemeketa Community College  
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Trevor Olson  
Chemeketa Community College  
Business



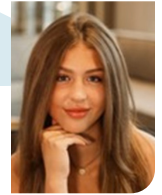
Lorelei Parsons  
Oregon Institute of Technology  
Sonography



Kaitlyn Ragan  
Lane Community College  
Aviation



Toby Ruston  
Oregon Institute of Technology  
Mechanical Engineering



Greta Scales  
Oregon State University  
Biochemistry



Kiera Schetzel  
Brigham Young University  
Japanese and Business



Morgan Shuck  
George Fox University  
Nursing



Abigail Thorsen  
Oregon State University  
Agricultural Science



Sophie Timmerman  
Gonzaga University  
Medicine



Coleman Turney  
Oregon State University  
Civil Engineering



Nicole Vanaken  
Chemeketa Community College  
Medical Assisting



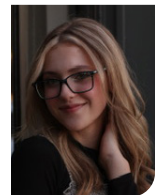
Jerrik Wade  
University of Puget Sound  
Business and Computer Science



Amelia Woolsey  
Willamette University  
Undecided



Clara Woolsey  
Willamette University  
Exercise Science



Savanna Young  
Western Oregon University  
Business and Entrepreneurship

NOT PICTURED: Jose Romero-Hill, Western Oregon University, Criminal Justice

## In the Dallas Community

In addition to annual grants, DCF is a proud sponsor of events which contribute to community livability, promote arts and culture, and support significant community causes.

2024 Sponsorships:

- Family Building Blocks Polk County Luncheon
- Dallas Days
- Rotary Summer Events
- Sounds of Summer
- Art in the Park
- Dallas Food Bank Fill the Pantry



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***Our mission is to enhance the quality of life in the Dallas community by building a culture of giving.***

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