# AWARDED GRANTS



Your support of the Tahoe Donner Giving Fund has assisted local nonprofits and student scholars. This month we are featuring two more who have been recipients of your generosity: the Truckee Donner Land Trust and Arts for the Schools.

#### TRUCKEE DONNER LAND TRUST



Truckee Donner Land Trust is grateful to the Tahoe Donner Giving Fund for its grant toward the acquisition of Canyon Springs, 290 acres of open space in eastern Truckee that will now be permanently protected and open to the public. Partnered with Mountain Area Preservation, SOS Glenshire and the Martis Fund, this critical piece of land protects wildlife habitat and migration corridors while creating new, sustainable recreation opportunities.

Truckee Donner Land Trust is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that was established in 1990 and has protected more than 40,000 acres of open space throughout the region while also creating public access for recreation via 45 miles of trails, a campground at Webber Lake and, most recently, backcountry huts at Frog Lake. The Land Trust works to both protect and preserve forests, meadows, watersheds, wildlife habitat and recreation opportunities.

The Land Trust is a donor-supported organization, using the generous gifts of supporters like you to purchase land, create public access and care for those lands for future generations. In 2022, the Land Trust is excited to tackle new conservation projects, trail construction and forest health projects throughout the region. To learn more, go to truckeedonnerlandtrust.org.

#### **ARTS FOR THE SCHOOLS**



Arts for the Schools is a bistate 501(c)(3) nonprofit serving California and Nevada, dedicated to providing access and exposure to the arts. For 37 years, Arts for the Schools provided visual and performing arts education for more than 10,000 children at K-12 schools and world-renowned artistic and cultural performances for the public to promote artistic excellence and cultural learning in North Lake Tahoe. Due to COVID-19 closures, funding losses and canceled programs and fundraising events, they saw a 39% total income deficit and were forced to furlough three full-time employees.

With the support of TDGF, they are now able to hire visual art teachers to teach in schools and restore school-based and community programs to their full capacity. Performing arts and on-stage live performances, which were placed entirely on hold due to the restrictions on public gatherings, resume in 2022 both in schools and for the public.

CEO Eve McEneaney states, "Arts for the Schools' biggest challenge in the year to come will be the ongoing management of the COVID-19 pandemic on the organization's funding, staffing and programming. Adequate funding will be a critical component to achieving our goals this year; to rebuild the programming for students and rural communities, and to ensure the sustainability of community arts and arts education for another 37 years."

### **WHY I GIVE**

"Giving time in service to others, and giving funds whether large or small, has always been a family tradition. Giving through the Tahoe Donner Giving Fund connects me to my neighbors and our community. It warms my heart!"

- Nan Meek, TDGF Vice-Chairperson

The Tahoe Donner Giving Fund is chartered by the TD Board of Directors. All contributions are voluntary taxdeductible gifts from TD members and friends. The Giving Fund is administered through the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation. For more information on the Giving Fund or to make a contribution, visit our webpage at tahoedonner.com/giving-fund. Contact tdgf@tahoedonner.com with questions or to volunteer for the committee. We thank and are grateful for our founding partner, Elements Mountain Company, for their continuing support.







## **INTRODUCING YOUR TAHOE DONNER GIVING FUND COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

We thought that you would like to meet your neighbors who are investing your dollars in our community! We are a 100% volunteer group of Tahoe Donner property owners. While some of us are full-time residents of Tahoe Donner, others split time between homes elsewhere and Tahoe Donner. We work together for the benefit of the wider Truckee region, and, because of your generous donations, we are able to invest in our community through grants to nonprofits and scholarships to high school graduates.



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