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**SUMMIT54 CHOSEN TO RECEIVE ASPEN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT FOR 2024**

Summit54 is delighted to have again been chosen to receive an Aspen Community Foundation grant for 2024. Summit54 will use the ACF grant of \$21,000 to help sustain its year-round academic and life enrichment programming for more than 850 elementary-aged children in the Roaring Fork Valley. Summit54 has supported more than 8000 young children during the past 12 years.

The Aspen Community Foundation Community Grantmaking program is designed to provide operational and program support to nonprofit organizations that work to solve community problems and improve the quality of life in the greater Roaring Fork Valley and Colorado River valleys. In 2012, Summit54 saw that children in the RFV did not have any summer academic opportunities and brought a highly regarded proven program to the Valley, helping to solve the problem of “summer slide” for its annual 550 participants and simultaneously providing free childcare, another on-going challenge in our Valley. This program has improved the life prospects for thousands of children since its inception.

The current ACF grant will support Summit54 programming in 2024. “We’re honored to have again been chosen to receive this prestigious grant by the Aspen Community Foundation,” said Summit54 Executive Director Terri Caine. “The Aspen Community Foundation has annually supported our work for close to a dozen years. We would not have been able to serve nearly as many children as we have without their ongoing support. We are very grateful!”

**About Aspen Community Foundation**

Aspen Community Foundation (ACF) builds philanthropy and supports nonprofit organizations by connecting donors to community needs, building permanent charitable funds, and bringing people together to solve community problems. ACF has been working since 1980 to improve the quality of life in the region. Based in Basalt, Colorado, the Foundation’s efforts have an impact in communities throughout the greater Roaring Fork and Colorado River valleys. Through ACF’s broad perspective of the region, and depth and breadth of knowledge of community trends, issues, and needs, the organization directs funding where it is needed most to fill gaps in services and programming.

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