



Opportunities to Support Sedona

Charitable projects worthy and in need of funding

The Arizona Community Foundation of Sedona's annual competitive grants process concluded with \$183,000 awarded to 44 local nonprofit organizations providing services to residents of Sedona and the Verde Valley. Grants supported projects in a wide variety of sectors including social services, the arts and animal welfare.

The need for funding outpaced the funds available for grantmaking in 2016, leaving opportunities for people like you to make a difference. Below are your opportunities to support Sedona and the Verde Valley with a gift to a deserving organization that will make an immediate impact.

Children

American Red Cross

Funds will support the Home Fire Preparedness Campaign and Pillowcase Project outreach to 3rd and 5th graders in local elementary schools.

Project need: \$2,750

Gardens for Humanity

Funds will provide a School Gardens Coordinator who will serve five area schools and develop school garden teams, assist teachers to integrate gardens into learning, and involve the school community in gardening year round.

Project need: \$3,300

Girls on the Run

Funds will be used to secure sites at four schools and enable girls in grades 3-5 to participate in the Girls on the Run of Northern Arizona's Fall 2016 program.

Project need: \$2,100

RENEW

Funds will allow RENEW to run their transformational leadership program with three high schools in Yavapai County. They will train 120 students through workshops, which combine personal growth with service learning to help young people develop themselves and their communities.

Project need: \$3,782

Running River School

Funds will be used to help initiate a tuition assistance program for 10 new Running River School students by reducing tuition costs to \$2400 per student (a 62% reduction). Funding will help to offset tuition costs and classroom supply fees.

Project need: \$8,000

Yavapai Big Brothers Big Sisters

This challenge-grant will directly support eight at-risk children from West Sedona Elementary by matching them one-to-one with a caring, responsible Big Brother, Sister, Couple or Family.

Project need: \$5,280

Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities

Adult Community Center of Sedona

The funds will pay for a new donor software program for one year with Neon Chrome including the custom import and 1 year of live chat support.

Project need: \$2,778

The Susan J. Rheem Adult Day Center

The funds will support a part-time Community Liaison, who will provide education and marketing outreach to people 18 years and older, primarily the senior and veteran population suffering from various illnesses and disabilities.

Project need: \$3,700

Rainbow Acres

Funds awarded by the Arizona Community Foundation of Sedona will offset a portion of the cost of transportation for adults with developmental disabilities to continue employment at Sedona Recycles. This project provides both a valuable service to the community and significant opportunities for the Ranchers from Rainbow Acres.

Project need: \$3,100

Senior Citizens of Camp Verde

Funds will subsidize the Camp Verde Senior Center meal program by offsetting some of the payroll cost of the cook and cook's helper who prepare home cooked meals Monday through Friday.

Project need: \$2,510

Verde Valley Caregivers Coalition

The funds will be used to provide rides to 620 elderly and disabled residents by covering staffing and mileage reimbursements to volunteers.

Project need: \$5,900

Social Services

Catholic Charities Community Services, Inc.

Funds will be used for homeless outreach activities including the purchase of life-sustaining supplies including survival equipment, staff mileage and meals, emergency hotel stays, transportation needs, GED costs, and work related expenses.

Project need: \$4,000

Cornucopia Community Advocates

Grant funds to Cornucopia Community Advocates will allow the organization to provide financial aid to clients referred by social and health agencies through its Sedona Safety Net program. Financial aid is used to meet emergency financial needs like rent, utilities, auto repair, vocational training, food or clothing.

Project need: \$5,000

Old Town Mission

Funds will be used to purchase a walk-in refrigerator and refrigerated truck so that they may increase donations and be able to distribute a wider variety of healthier food including fresh fruits, vegetables, meat and dairy products.

Project need: \$3,000

Sedona Community Food Bank

Funds will be used to purchase enough fresh fruit and vegetables for all clients on a weekly basis.

Project need: \$7,500

Trauma Intervention Programs of Arizona

Funds will be used to support crucial volunteer resource & critical incident training for the Team Dispatchers.
Project need: \$5,504

Yavapai County Sheriff's Office

Funds will support a transitional bed at Angie's House and incidentals such as fees associated with obtaining services/items such as identification, bus passes, cellphone and telephone pre-paid cards.
Project need: \$3,000

Yavapai Food Council

Funds will be used toward the completion of the nonprofit Bountiful Kitchen facility including the remaining tenant improvements and both new and used commercial equipment.
Project need: \$2,000

Arts & Culture

Red Earth Theatre

Funding will build Red Earth Theatre's capacity to provide live theatre in the community by paying the Producing Executive Director and an assistant skilled in social media to upgrade/maintain the website and other social media and fundraising tools.
Project need: \$1,909

Sedona Arts Center

Funds will support expenses relating to the production of up to three audience-based community engagement events or new works produced by resident artists, photography and videography for the entire project, and other expenses for the Sedona Summer Colony.
Project need: \$3,000

Sedona Arts Festival

Funds will be used to purchase supplies and rent equipment to enhance the experience and quality of continuous live music in the festival's Community Tent, Guest Gallery and KidZone.
Project need: \$2,800

Sedona International Film Festival & Workshop, Inc.

Funds will support the Connecting Cultures Film Initiative at the 22nd annual festival. The initiative will feature a track of films from 10 different countries and facilitated discussions with the filmmakers from around the world.
Project need: \$4,860

Sedona International Film Festival & Workshop, Inc.

Funds will support the 24-Hour Theater, Sedona's largest and most collaborative creative arts event of the year, and launch the transfer of this inter-generational, community-centered "artistic literacy" competence from mentors and artists in the adult community to students in the Verde Valley high schools.
Project need: \$4,300

Verde Valley Sinfonietta

Funds will be used to expand outreach through postcards targeted to potential audience members, and sustain and continue to develop technology needs including online ticketing, website, and email newsletters.
Project need: \$7,500

Environment & Sustainability

Benefactors of Red Rock State Park

Funds will be used to fund the salary of a part-time School Ranger for the Connection School Program.

Project need: \$2,700

Oak Creek Watershed Council

Funds will be used to fund the Middle Verde Ambassadors who serve as on-the-ground liaisons to inform and educate Watershed visitors about the area, collect litter and pet waste, and providing countless aesthetic, health-based and environmental improvements.

Project need: \$5,000

Sedona Historical Society

Funds will be used to purchase/install LED lamps/fixtures, reducing operating expenses so that Sedona Historical Society can continue its efforts to collect, preserve, and display items of historical interest or significance to the Sedona area.

Project need: \$2,400

Sedona Red Rock Trail Fund

Funds will be used to preserve the Red Rocks trails, which help visitors and residents alike understand, savor and appreciate the trails.

Project need: \$6,000

Animal Welfare

Humane Society of Sedona

Funds will allow the Humane Society of Sedona to offer vaccinations at a significantly reduced cost of \$5.00. They will also support the promotion of Project 'Safe Pet,' a project created to safeguard as many pets as possible from very preventable diseases and viruses like rabies, parvo, and distemper.

Project need: \$2,300

Red Rose Inspiration for Animals, Inc.

Funds will assist disadvantaged owners so that they can keep their companion animals.

Project need: \$8,000

Runnin W Wildlife Center

Funds will be used to enhance and expand the emergency and critical care services available and administered to injured, rescued and orphaned native wildlife in the greater Sedona region and to enhance habitats for permanent residents.

Project need: \$4,361

Verde Valley Humane Society

The funds will help offset the cost of the spay/neuter fund for 2016.

Project need: \$2,500

Verde Valley Cyclists Coalition

Funds will be used to equip and train Red Rock Mountain Bike patrol volunteers and provide increased signage on the forest trails.

Project need: \$4,209

Healthcare

Alzheimer's Association – Desert Southwest Chapter

The funds will pay for the Sedona Alzheimer's Care and Support Program, providing services to strengthen the capabilities of family caregivers in order to enhance the quality of care they provide for their loved ones with Alzheimer's and related dementias.

Project need: \$1,500

Mentally Ill Kids in Distress

Funding will support the salary of one FTE Family Support Coordinator assigned to serve the residents of Sedona and the Verde Valley. The assigned staff person will provide services to 10 families who are currently enrolled in the program and move 10 families off the wait list and into services.

Project need: \$3,461

Northland Cares

Funds will be used to introduce tablet intake in the Northland Cares HIV specialty clinic in Cottonwood. Automating the intake process eliminates labor and resource costs associated with paper-based systems, freeing the front-desk staff to spend more quality time with the population they serve.

Project need: \$1,150