The History of Rose Community Foundation

**MAJOR GENERAL MAURICE ROSE**

Rose Community Foundation derives its name from Major General Maurice Rose, one of America's most decorated military leaders of the 20th century. The son and grandson of Orthodox Jewish rabbis, Maurice Rose was born in Connecticut in 1899, then moved to Denver with his family in 1902. From early childhood, he was drawn to military life, joining the National Guard at age 15 after finishing his studies at East High School. He was later sent home when it became known that he had falsified his age. At 17, Rose was accepted for Officer Candidate School, and at 18 was wounded in a World War I battle in France. He returned to work in Colorado briefly after the war, but soon returned to Army life.

During World War II, Major General Rose led a number of successful military drives in North Africa and Europe, including one of the first assaults on German forces occupying Omaha Beach one day after D-Day. In 1944, he became commander of the U.S. Army's 3rd Armored Division, which moved through France, Belgium and was the first military unit to penetrate Germany during World War II. General Rose was killed on the battlefield March 30, 1945. During his career, he received many military honors including the Distinguished Service Medal. Upon his death, *The New York Times* wrote, "The American Army was deprived of one of its most skilled and gallant officers and a man of rare personal charm..."

**ROSE MEDICAL CENTER**

In the year prior to General Rose's death, a group of Jewish business and professional leaders, led by Maurice Shwayder, had started to organize an effort to build a new hospital that would fill a gap in the Denver community. Denver had a critical shortage of hospital beds, and many physicians returning from World War II had difficulty finding places to practice. The new hospital would be open to doctors and patients of all creeds, races and origins, and dedicated to excellence in medical care. The campaign to raise funds for the new hospital gained momentum when the organizers decided to name the new hospital in honor of General Rose, and formed the General Rose Memorial Hospital Association. The group undertook an intensive local and national fundraising campaign, enlisting the support of well-known Jewish celebrities of the time. On August 31, 1948, General Dwight D. Eisenhower laid the cornerstone for the main building of the hospital.

Adopting the motto, “Our standards are simply higher,” Rose Medical Center was an innovator, bringing to Denver the region's first coronary-care unit, the Rocky Mountain area's primary center for the treatment of arthritis and rheumatic diseases, and one of the region's most progressive programs in obstetrics, gynecology, and newborn care. The hospital was also a focal point for community service and philanthropy. Several generations from the same families supported the hospital as doctors, donors, volunteers, and staff professionals.

**ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

In 1995, Rose Medical Center's trustees, after assessing the dramatic shifts in the economics of health care, understood that an independent nonprofit hospital could not easily endure in the emerging economic climate. On April 25, 1995, following a national trend among independent nonprofit hospitals, Rose Medical Center was acquired by a health-care corporation. With the proceeds of the sale, approximately $170 million, the hospital trustees decided to form Rose Community Foundation as a vehicle to perpetuate the legacy of the hospital: its standards of excellence, its tradition of philanthropy, and its commitment to serve the entire community.

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The watercolor art on the cover depicts a view of Garden Place Academy in Globeville, a North Denver neighborhood.

Denver-based artist Barbara Froula's widely-commissioned paintings of the city reflect her background in architecture and her love for the urban landscape. She also enjoys traveling and painting on location. In 2004, Froula and Czech author Václav Cílek published Prague: Between History and Dreams. The book combines 100 of Froula's paintings with a written tour of the magical city of Prague and its environs, including the historic Jewish Quarter and Terezin, a former concentration camp. For more information, visit barbarafroula.com.

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2003 GRANTMAKING SUMMARY
In 2003, Rose Community Foundation approved 750 grants totaling $8,119,000 in financial support to the Greater Denver community. This includes all grants awarded from the Foundation’s 2003 grantmaking budget as well as $215,000 in funds received from other foundations and organizations to support collaborative projects, and managed and disbursed by Rose Community Foundation. It also includes grants from Matching Gifts and Discretionary Grants ($223,000 – see page 34), Rose Women’s Organization ($97,000 – see page 38), and Donor-Advised Funds and Supporting Organizations ($1,401,000 – see page 43).

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IS AFFILIATED WITH THE FOLLOWING PROFESSIONAL GROUPS:

American Society on Aging – asaging.org
Colorado Association of Funders – coloradofunders.org
Colorado Association of Nonprofit Organizations – canpo.org
Colorado Planned Giving Roundtable – cpgr.org
The Communications Network – comnetwork.org
Council on Foundations – cof.org
Grantmakers for Children, Youth and Families – gcyf.org
Grantmakers for Education – edfunders.org
Grantmakers for Effective Organizations – geofunders.org
Grantmakers in Aging – giaging.org
Grantmakers in Health – gih.org
Grants Managers Network – gmnetwork.org
Hispanics in Philanthropy – hiponline.org
Jewish Funders Network – jfunders.org
We are pleased to present Rose Community Foundation's Annual Report for 2003. It was a year marked by significant accomplishments, financial challenges and thoughtful deliberation about the foundation's future.

When Rose Community Foundation's founding trustees set the foundation in motion in 1995, they envisioned an organization that would have a far-reaching impact on the community. To do so would take more than money; it would take leadership, knowledge, trust, and perhaps most important, it would take time.

Many of the grants we made in earlier years represented investments in change that would require years to reach maturity. Equally important, many of the grants we've made in previous years have paved the way for current and future initiatives that will help many people lead better lives and make our community stronger. In 2003, we saw the fruition of several important efforts that had their beginnings much earlier in the foundation's history.

In January 2003, we celebrated the success of The Endowment Challenge, a four-year initiative that resulted in the creation of $19 million in endowments for 19 Jewish organizations. The spectacular fundraising success of these grantees during a period of economic decline demonstrates the strong will of these organizations and their constituents to remain financially viable long into the future. Endowment payouts begin in 2004 with over $800,000 in endowment revenue slated for distribution to all 19 organizations.

Colorado Health Institute (CHI) opened its doors in mid-2003, and is on its way to becoming the state's leading source for health-data resources and policy analysis (see page 21). CHI is a joint initiative of Rose Community Foundation, Caring for Colorado Foundation and The Colorado Trust. Each foundation pledged nearly $2 million to provide CHI with $6 million to fund its operations over the Institute's first five years. The three foundations also appoint members to CHI's board of trustees. CHI's mission is to advance the health of the people of Colorado by serving as an independent and impartial source of reliable and relevant health-related information for policymakers, health planners, the business and nonprofit communities, advocacy and consumer groups, health-care providers, funders, and the media. Rose Community Foundation's longstanding support for health-policy leadership contributed substantially to the design and development of CHI.

October 2003 saw the release of The Status of Mental Health Care in Colorado, the most comprehensive look at the issue in more than a decade. The report was commissioned by the Mental Health Funders Collaborative, a group comprised of Rose Community Foundation, Rose Women's Organization (see page 38) and six other funders. The report, which underscores significant deficiencies in the state's mental-health-care system, received wide media attention and drew the interest of the state's policymakers and prominent health-care providers. The Mental Health Funders Collaborative continues to meet and will announce a joint funding project later in 2004.

In December, the Denver Teacher Compensation Project completed an exhaustive study in the Denver Public Schools demonstrating a strong correlation between performance-based pay and student achievement. Rose Community Foundation granted more than $2 million to support the four-year project. The findings were a key factor in the joint efforts of Denver Public Schools and the Denver Classroom Teachers Association to develop a revolutionary new compensation system that substantially elevates the value of proven classroom performance and professional evaluation in determining an individual teacher's compensation. In March 2004, teachers voted to adopt the new compensation system, making Denver one of the first public-school systems in the nation to put classroom performance front and center in salary structure. The eventual success of the new system hinges on voter approval of a future mill-levy increase to fund teacher salaries.

These are some of the foundation’s bigger successes, but we also want to focus attention on a few ways through which Rose Community Foundation helps people in our community live better lives. This report features profiles of grantees who are reaching out to help people in need, and others who are working to make our community a healthier place to live.
One final highlight for 2003 grantmaking: In December, the board of trustees approved a $1.93 million initiative called BOOST — Building Organizational Operating Strength Together (see page 32). BOOST is based on the premise that financial health and good business planning are key to a nonprofit organization's performance, effectiveness and durability. The BOOST initiative will provide training, consulting and strategic grant investments to the participating organizations. In general, previous Rose Community Foundation grants to these organizations have supported what they do. In the BOOST initiative, the Foundation will invest in how they operate.

In 2003, Rose Community Foundation, like many U.S. foundations, felt the impact of the sustained economic downturn of the previous three years. After seven years of regularly increasing the foundation’s grantmaking budget, financial circumstances compelled the board of trustees to reduce the funds available for grants in 2003. We took this action with regret, but with the understanding that our overriding responsibility is to ensure the financial strength of the foundation for many decades into the future. The economic uncertainty of recent years has heightened the board’s role in overseeing the foundation’s assets and expenditures. Fortunately, the foundation’s investments performed very strongly in 2003, and we have been able to allocate more for grants in 2004. We will continue to increase our grantmaking as long as the economy continues to strengthen.

In 2003, the trustees also looked ahead to the future. Within the next few years, the founding trustees will be turning over the foundation’s governance to a second generation of leaders. It is an appropriate time for us to take stock of what we have created – to assess the programs, the practices and the priorities that have evolved over the past eight years and determine how well the organization we have created is supporting the foundation’s vision.

Three trustee committees met during the last half of the year to develop recommendations in the area of programs, investment and finance, and donor services. Overall, the trustees affirmed that the core programs and operations of the foundation have exceeded the founders’ expectations and should remain on course. The Donor Services area will begin expanding in 2004 to address the foundation’s mission-driven role of increasing philanthropic resources for the benefit of the community. Additionally, the strategic plan addresses internal governance issues to strengthen the cohesiveness between the work of our various program and administrative committees and the board of trustees. In support of these strategic decisions, the trustees adopted the National Standards for Community Foundations, which aligns the foundation with the movement of several hundred community foundations across the country to implement best practices in our field and to be fully accountable to donors and the public.

Our report on the state of the foundation would not be complete without recognizing the incalculable worth brought to the foundation by our trustees, the 30-plus non-trustee committee members who help guide our decisions, the donors who have chosen the foundation as their partner in giving, and our staff which exhibits dedication above and beyond the call of duty, day in and day out.

But our largest measure of gratitude, this year and every year, goes to our grantees – the people whose passion for making our world a better place is our constant source of inspiration. It is our privilege, every day, to be your partner in building community together.

Steven W. Farber
Chair, Board of Trustees 2002-2003

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Chair, Board of Trustees 2004-2005

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President and CEO
The population in the United States is aging. The number of seniors is projected to double in the next 30 years, from 35 million to 70 million. The face of the aging population is also changing. While some older adults require fulltime care, many now enter their later years in robust health and with active lives. Meeting the needs of this growing and varied group is a major challenge.

Rose Community Foundation works to support both older adults and their caregivers. Focusing especially on the needs of low- and moderate-income seniors, the Foundation funds projects that: provide quality direct in-home and community-based services; address the pressing need for adequate transportation services; and improve the availability and quality of end-of-life care.

While supporting numerous direct-service providers, the Foundation also has played a leadership role in several large collaborative projects:

**BenefitsCheckUp (BCU) – benefitscheckup.org**
Rose Community Foundation brought this program of The National Council on the Aging to Colorado. BCU is a Web-based program that connects older adults with government programs for which they may be eligible.

**Senior Transportation**
The Foundation continues work started in 2000 to improve access to transportation for older adults so they may remain more independent and connected to the community. HealthONE Alliance is a partner in the effort.

**Improving Palliative and End-of-Life Care**
Rose Community Foundation is working closely with providers to determine the best way to help older adults come to the end of life with dignity and comfort.

“For most older adults, quality of life is directly tied to their ability to maintain their independence,” says Martin H. Shore, Aging Committee Chair and Foundation Trustee. “Our goal is to help older adults maintain their independence and enjoy a contented life for as long as possible.”

**CARING FOR OLDER ADULTS**

- Fewer than five percent of older adults live in nursing facilities. The rest either care for themselves or need assistance.
- In 2000, one in seven families nationally (more than 7 million) were providing direct care to an elderly parent or loved one.
- This equates to approximately 120 million hours of care, which, if paid for, would add up to about $196 billion.
Grantee Profile

RXASSIST – myhealthpassport.org

Purpose: To provide prescription-drug education and counseling for low- to moderate-income older adults.

How Rose Community Foundation is helping: St. Anthony Hospital started RxAssist in 2003 as part of its Health Passport program for seniors. Rose Community Foundation granted $35,000 to help launch RxAssist.

Recent highlights: In its first 10 months, RxAssist received more than 1,000 phone calls from older adults, many of whom could not afford their prescriptions. The program gives seniors information about free and low-cost drugs available from pharmaceutical companies and other programs, assistance in filling out the necessary – and often complex – application forms, and counseling on how to take medications properly. Additionally, staff is developing a way to follow up on refills so that clients do not run out of medications. Starting in spring 2004, RxAssist is helping older adults understand and take advantage of changes in Medicare's prescription-drug coverage.

“If it weren’t for RxAssist, I don’t know where I’d be right now. I would not be taking my medications. It has literally saved my life.”

— Seventy-year-old Kathy Scott, whose prescriptions used to cost more than $400 per month, while her monthly income was only $647.
Grantee Profile

DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (DRCOG) SENIOR NEEDS ASSESSMENT – drcog.org

Purpose: To determine and prioritize the needs and strengths of older adults in Colorado.

How Rose Community Foundation is helping: As a federally designated Area Agency on Aging, DRCOG is charged with periodically assessing the needs of seniors. Rose Community Foundation’s grant of $50,000 helped DRCOG secure a total of $275,000 to survey seniors throughout the Denver region.

Recent highlights: DRCOG allocates approximately $6 million annually to agencies that work with older adults, and conducts a needs and strengths assessment every few years to help determine funding priorities. In 2003, DRCOG joined with other regional agencies and the Colorado Division of Aging and Adult Services to begin the first-ever statewide needs and strengths assessment. The inclusion of a strengths assessment is one of the survey’s unique features – discovering not only what seniors lack, but also what services are already helping them lead satisfying lives. The project is scheduled to be complete by fall 2004.

“They need someone to visit with, friends to talk to. A lot of them don’t have family around here. Transportation is a real problem.”

— Wilma Thin Elk of the Southwest Improvement Council (SWIC), speaking about the older adults that visit SWIC’s community center. SWIC is supported by DRCOG.

Wilma Thin Elk is a Thursday-night fixture at DRCOG-grantee SWIC’s Native-American dance group. Rose Community Foundation has also provided funding for SWIC’s Native-American senior program.
2003 Aging Grants

Total: $749,308

ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION, COLORADO CHAPTER
$10,000
To support the Savvy Caregiver Training Program, which teaches family caregivers about caring for individuals with dementia.
alzrockymtn.org

AMERICAN SOCIETY ON AGING
$16,000
To support the New Ventures in Leadership Program, which provides leadership development for local professionals of varying ethnic backgrounds in the field of aging. Participating organizations for 2003-2004 include Allied Jewish Senior Housing, Hep C Connection and Thornton Senior Center.
asaging.org/nvl/

BOULDER VALLEY ROTARY CLUB
$2,000
To support a community forum about end-of-life care.
bvrc.org

BROTHERS REDEVELOPMENT, INC.
$25,000
To support the Home Maintenance and Repair Program, which provides affordable home repairs and modifications for low-income elderly homeowners.
briathome.org

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
$20,000
To support and expand the Adult Services/Senior Program, which offers adult case-management services, and information and referral services for older adults living on fixed incomes.
catholiccharitiesdenver.org/services/seniorservices.cfm

CENTRO BIENESTAR SAN JOSE
$250
To highlight BenefitsCheckUp at the center’s fourth annual Senior Fair. (See page 8.)
centrobienestar.org

COLORADO MOBILITY COALITION
$41,000
To raise awareness among elected officials, organizations and the public on transit issues facing older adults and transit-dependent populations.
douglas.co.us/Services.htm

community resource center
$1,750
To support the Colorado Nonprofit Leadership and Management Program. Rose Community Foundation’s Aging, Child and Family Development, Community Building and Education program areas jointly supported this $10,000 grant. (See pages 12, 17 and 31.)
crcamerica.org

DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (DRCOG)
$50,000
To conduct an assessment of the needs of older adults in the greater Denver area.
drcog.org

DISTRICT 8 SENIOR EVENTS
$500
To highlight BenefitsCheckUp at the 21st Annual Hiawatha Davis, Jr. Senior Conference and Luncheon. (See page 8.)

DOWNSIZING TECHNOLOGIES
$1,000
To support the Downsize Your Home Program, which helps individuals downsize their homes for financial or lifestyle reasons.
downsizingtechnologies.com

DOUGLAS COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES DIVISION
$500
To highlight BenefitsCheckUp at the 11th Annual Douglas County Seniors’ Fair. (See page 8.)
douglas.co.us/Services.htm

EASTER SEALS COLORADO
$19,000
To help launch a program for stroke survivors and their families.
eastersealscolorado.org

THE GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL & TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY CENTER OF COLORADO
$1,000
To highlight BenefitsCheckUp at the Second Annual Gay and Gray in the West Conference. (See page 8.)
coloradoglbt.org

GRANTMAKERS IN AGING
$1,700
To support the activities of this national association of grantmakers that focuses on aging issues.
giaging.org

HMONG AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COLORADO
$15,000
To support the Elderly Project, which helps Hmong and Laotian elders live independently by offering access to health care, social services and immigration services.
hmongcolorado.org
**LEGAL CENTER FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND OLDER PEOPLE**
$15,000
To protect the health and safety of older adults in assisted-living and nursing facilities, and to improve legal and advocacy assistance for older adults and their families.
[thelegalcenter.org](http://thelegalcenter.org)

**LUTHERAN FAMILY SERVICES OF COLORADO**
$20,000
To support the Care Management Solutions program, which provides geriatric care services to low-income adults and family caregivers.
[lfsc.org](http://lfsc.org)

**MEALS ON WHEELS OF BOULDER**
$25,000
To provide nutritious home-delivered meals to older adults living in the Boulder area.
[mowboulder.org](http://mowboulder.org)

**PROJECT ANGEL HEART**
$10,000
To provide nutritious home-delivered meals to older adults living with life-threatening illnesses.
[projectangelheart.org](http://projectangelheart.org)

**THE SENIOR HUB**
$20,000
To support this agency that works to advance the quality of life for older adults through advocacy, community partnerships and direct services in Adams and Arapahoe Counties.
[seniorhub.org](http://seniorhub.org)

**ST. ANTHONY HEALTH FOUNDATION**
$35,000
To support RxAssist, a prescription-education and counseling service for low- to moderate-income older adults.
[myhealthpassport.org](http://myhealthpassport.org)

**UNIVERSITY OF DENVER COLLEGE OF LAW**
$2,500
To support the 5th Senior Law Day workshops, and to print the Colorado Senior Law Handbook.
[cobar.org/seniorhandbook.htm](http://cobar.org/seniorhandbook.htm)
[cobar.org/seniorhandbook.htm](http://cobar.org/seniorhandbook.htm)

**VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA, COLORADO BRANCH**
$150,000
To support programs and services that enable older adults to live independently. This grant includes $50,000 in the form of a matching grant to assist the organization with fundraising efforts.
[voacolorado.org](http://voacolorado.org)

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**Special Grants, Initiatives and Partnerships**

**BENEFITSCHECKUP OF COLORADO**
$40,000
BenefitsCheckUp (BCU) is a Web-based program that connects older adults with government programs for which they may be eligible. BCU is a national program of The National Council on the Aging. Rose Community Foundation serves as fiscal sponsor of BCU of Colorado. The Jay and Rose Phillips Foundation and HealthONE Alliance also granted funds to enhance outreach and public awareness efforts, and for an evaluation of screening and follow-up efforts of participating organizations.
[beneftsccheckup.org](http://beneftsccheckup.org)

**ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOOST INITIATIVE**
$205,330
To support the participation of The Senior Hub in this $1.93 million initiative to strengthen 10 Rose Community Foundation grantees. (See page 32.)
[rcfdenver.org/initiatives_BOOST.htm](http://rcfdenver.org/initiatives_BOOST.htm)

**ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOOST INITIATIVE FEASIBILITY STUDY**
$2,778
To fund a feasibility study for the Foundation’s BOOST initiative. (See page 32.)
[rcfdenver.org/initiatives_BOOST.htm](http://rcfdenver.org/initiatives_BOOST.htm)

**ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION PALLIATIVE AND END-OF-LIFE CARE PROJECT**
$20,000
To develop project recommendations to improve palliative and end-of-life care.
[rcfdenver.org/publications_reports.htm](http://rcfdenver.org/publications_reports.htm)
Through its Child and Family Development program area, Rose Community Foundation focuses its resources on efforts that directly benefit young children, and help strengthen our community’s most fragile families. This includes family-directed efforts such as education programs that train parents to help their children grow up physically and emotionally healthy, and mentally prepared to learn.

To support sustainable change in the systems that affect children, the Foundation has made significant investments in developing and improving early-childhood care through its support of Educare Colorado (educarecolorado.org), and by strengthening advocacy on behalf of children through its support of the Colorado Children’s Campaign (coloradokids.org).

In an effort to expand available resources for children’s issues, Rose Community Foundation is also taking a leadership role in building partnerships with other funders, and is working with Denver’s mayoral administration to support its efforts on behalf of young children.

Additionally, Rose Community Foundation supports employment and training programs that help parents find and keep stable jobs. The Foundation funds organizations that offer family-support services, such as affordable housing, microenterprise and other programs essential to parents to ensure that they can provide the needed financial support for their families.

“A child’s family is the greatest influence on his or her physical, emotional and intellectual growth,” says Trustee Scott Levin, Chair of Rose Community Foundation’s Child and Family Development Committee. “Our whole society benefits when children are well cared-for.”

Rose Community Foundation thanks Trustee Arlene Hirschfeld for chairing the Child and Family Development Committee from 2002 through 2003.

**MAKING ENDS MEET**

- A single parent with a preschool-age child in Denver needs to earn $16.53 per hour, or $35,000 per year, just to pay for basic household needs. Minimum wage is $5.15 per hour.

- More than 32,000 working families in Colorado live below the federal poverty line. More than 80 percent of working families in Colorado spend over a third of their income on housing alone.

These statistics come from two reports partially funded by Rose Community Foundation. Respectively, they are: *The Self-Sufficiency Standard for Colorado 2004* by Colorado Fiscal Policy Institute (cclponline.org/cfpi/), and *Opportunity Lost: When Hard Work Isn’t Enough for Colorado’s Families* by The Bell Policy Center (thebell.org).
Grantee Profile

THE CHILDREN’S MUSEUM OF DENVER – cmdenver.org

Purpose: To provide interactive educational experiences to children from newborn through age eight, and their parents, caregivers and educators.

How Rose Community Foundation is helping: Rose Community Foundation has supported The Children’s Museum with several grants, the latest for $60,000 over two years as the museum reaches out to more of the region’s children and their families.

Recent highlights: After nearly closing in 1995, The Children’s Museum of Denver is now booming. By concentrating on quality exhibits and working closely with Denver Public Schools and other community partners, the museum saw its annual attendance climb to more than 200,000 in 2003. Diversity has been a major focus as the museum’s staff and board work to make inclusiveness an integral part of all aspects of the institution. Museum staff have identified 21 low-income, diverse neighborhoods and are making a concerted effort to draw families in those areas who may not know about the museum’s services and activities.

“We love it. They get to do really messy projects here that I don’t want them to do in my kitchen!! And they’re learning while they play.”

— Angie Golden, mother of a four-year-old and a two-year-old.
Grantee Profile

EARLY-CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MAPPING PROJECT – rcfdenver.org/publications_reports.htm

Purpose: To assess the needs, effectiveness and funding of early-childhood education (ECE) in Denver, providing critical information to those in a position to affect ECE.

How Rose Community Foundation is helping: Joining five other Denver-based foundations, Rose Community Foundation contributed $5,000 to develop a comprehensive overview of the state of ECE in the city.

Recent highlights: Completed in 2003, “Early Childhood Education in Denver” provides more than a summary of ECE. The report-as-PowerPoint also gives recommendations for how to improve it. Staff from the six foundations that produced it have presented its findings to the city’s Board of Education, City Council, Mayor’s Office, and other interested groups. Since its posting, the report has become one of the most downloaded documents ever on host The Piton Foundation’s Web site. The process of compiling and honing the data also served to bring a greater level of understanding and cooperation among the city’s major ECE philanthropic funders, who continue to work together. The report can be accessed at rcfdenver.org/publications_reports.htm.

“It’s more than a comprehensive picture and analysis of early-childhood education in Denver, it’s also a call to action — and that’s very powerful.”

— María Guajardo Lucero, Ph.D., Executive Director of the Denver Mayor’s Office for Education and Children.

Many families struggle to afford quality child care. The average annual cost in a Denver center ranges from $5,600 for a preschooler to over $10,000 for an infant ($850 per month).
2003 Child and Family Development Grants

Total: $1,102,466

ARAPAHOE HOUSE
$25,000
Over two years to support New Directions for Families, a program providing treatment, housing and child care to help mothers recovering from substance abuse to become economically self-sufficient.
arapahoehouse.org

CENIKOR FOUNDATION
$40,000
Over two years to assist mothers who have had substance-abuse problems in rebuilding their lives with their children.
cenikor.org

EL CENTRO HUMANITARIO PARA LOS TRABAJADORES
$10,000
To support this center for immigrant day laborers that provides employment assistance, education and cultural programs.

THE CHILDREN’S MUSEUM OF DENVER
$60,000
In the form of a matching grant over two years to support programs focusing on children from newborn through age eight and their adult caregivers.
cmdenver.org

COLORADO AFFORDABLE HOUSING PARTNERSHIP
$15,000
For efforts to create affordable housing for low- and moderate-income families in metro Denver.
coloradoaffordablehousing.org

COLORADO ALLIANCE FOR MICROENTERPRISE INITIATIVES
$5,000
To support this organization that works with people starting very small businesses to become successful and economically self-sufficient.
coloradoalliance.org

COLORADO CHILDREN’S CAMPAIGN
$5,000
To support the Fiscal Analysis Project, an examination of government funding for children and education. This $15,000 grant was jointly supported by Rose Community Foundation’s Child and Family Development, Community Building and Education program areas.
coloradokids.org

COLORADO COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
$5,000
To train and educate Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) recipients and those who work with them in developing financial-independence plans.
ccadv.org

COLORADO STATEWIDE PARENT COALITION
$30,000
To support programs and training for Latino immigrant parents about early-childhood education.
coparentcoalition.com

COMMUNITY ACTION DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
$12,000
To support the Boulder County Financial Literacy Training Program, which provides financial-management training for low-income families living in Boulder.

COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER
$1,750
To support the Colorado Nonprofit Leadership and Management Program. Rose Community Foundation’s Aging, Child and Family Development, Community Building and Education program areas jointly supported this $10,000 grant.
 crcamerica.org

THE ENTERPRISE FOUNDATION
$30,000
To support the Community Employment Alliance, which works to improve employment and training services for low-income Denver residents.
enterprisefoundation.org/cities/denver/index.asp
CHILD AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

FAMILY ADVOCACY, CARE, EDUCATION, SUPPORT (FACES)  
$10,000  
To support the Home Visitation program, which strives to strengthen families and prevent child abuse and neglect.  
facesonline.org

THE FAMILY LEARNING CENTER  
$30,000  
Over two years to prepare low-income and minority children with the skills they need to succeed in school.  
flcboulder.org

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER ASSOCIATION  
$50,000  
To support several family resource centers through marketing, outreach efforts, financial-development assistance and training.  
familyresourcecenters.info

GRANTMAKERS FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES  
$2,500  
To support the activities of this national association of grantmakers seeking to improve the well-being of children, youth and families.  
gcyf.org

METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE OF DENVER FOUNDATION  
$13,000  
To support the College's Family Literacy Program serving residents in nearby public housing.  
mscd.edu/facstaff/admin/ia/fdn.htm

MICROBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
$40,000  
To assist low-income entrepreneurs in developing their small businesses.  
microbusiness.org

MILE HIGH HOUSING FUND  
$45,000  
Over two years to support this organization that creates and preserves affordable housing by providing loans to nonprofit housing developers.  
mhhf.org

MILE HIGH UNITED WAY  
$50,000  
To support Savings Plus: Denver Individual Development Account Collaborative, which offers savings accounts matched by public and private sources to low-income individuals for a home purchase, higher education, or to start a business.  
unitedwaydenver.org

NORTHEAST WOMEN’S CENTER  
$5,000  
To support programs serving low-income women and their families in northeast Denver.

PARENTING PLACE  
$25,000  
To support this parent-oriented community center in Boulder, and to hire a consultant to formulate a strategic plan.  
boulderparenting.org

PROJECT WISE  
$20,000  
To support the organization’s programs for women making the transition from welfare to work, and for assistance in strengthening the organization.  
denverprojectwise.com

WARREN VILLAGE  
$45,000  
For the Family Services program, which provides information and support to single-parent families working toward self-sufficiency.  
warrenvillage.org

WOMEN’S BEAN PROJECT  
$5,000  
To support strategic planning and to implement future projects.  
womensbeanproject.org

WOMEN’S BEAN PROJECT  
$100,000  
Over two years to support programs that provide unemployed and low-income women with training and living-wage jobs.  
womensbeanproject.org

Special Grants, Initiatives and Partnerships

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOOST INITIATIVE  
$410,660  
To support the participation of Colorado Bright Beginnings and Women’s Bean Project in this $1.93 million initiative to strengthen 10 Rose Community Foundation grantees. (See page 32.)  
rcfdenver.org/initiatives BOOST.htm

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION EARLY-CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MAPPING PROJECT  
$5,000  
To assess early-childhood-education needs, the impact of existing programs, and funding sources for programs in Denver. Temple Hoyne Buell Foundation, Daniels Fund, The Denver Foundation, Donnell-Kay Foundation and The Piton Foundation are funding partners.  
rcfdenver.org/publications reports.htm

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOOST INITIATIVE FEASIBILITY STUDY  
$5,556  
To fund a feasibility study for the Foundation’s BOOST initiative. (See page 32.)  
rcfdenver.org/initiatives BOOST.htm
Rose Community Foundation’s grants to K-12 education reflect the ideal that a school system should support learning for everyone in it, including teachers. The Foundation focuses its resources on efforts that lead to improved student achievement for children in prekindergarten through grade 12.

The Foundation’s Education program area places its greatest emphasis on two main priorities. The first is systemic change in individual schools and in public education. In addition to supporting innovative schools, Rose Community Foundation has been a major supporter of Denver’s groundbreaking new teacher-compensation plan, ProComp, approved by Denver’s teachers in early 2004 (see box below).

Equally important to systemic change is the priority of quality teaching. Rose Community Foundation helped launch and continues to support The Alliance for Quality Teaching, a coalition of organizations and individuals reflecting a broad range of perspectives that aims to improve student learning in Colorado’s public schools. The Foundation also supports the development of schools as learning organizations for teachers by making professional development part of the workday.

“Teacher quality is one of the biggest factors in a student’s academic success,” says Sister Lydia Peña, Foundation Trustee and Education Committee Chair. “Our legislature, school districts, and individual schools and teachers are all taking steps to improve the quality of teaching in our state, but we can do more.”

**ELEMENTS OF PROCOMP**

If it is funded by Denver voters, Denver’s Professional Compensation System for Teachers, or ProComp, will change the way teachers are be paid in several ways:

- Annual salary increases and bonuses are based on demonstrated student growth instead of years of service.
- Teachers receive salary increases for expanding their knowledge and skills.
- Teachers who choose to work in challenging schools or take hard-to-fill positions receive bonuses.
- There are no caps on annual or career earnings.

To fund the new system, Denver voters must approve a mill-levy increase in November 2005.
Grantee Profile

SKYLAND COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL – skylandschool.org

Purpose: To educate urban teens through individualized teaching and internships at businesses and organizations in the community.

How Rose Community Foundation is helping: Rose Community Foundation granted $150,000 to help start Skyland Community High School.

Recent highlights: Skyland is the first Denver high school based on the Big Picture Schools concept, a model created by education reformers in Rhode Island in 1996 to address the rising dropout rate by customizing a child’s learning to his or her interests. According to director Jeff Park, the first year has been a great success, with an average daily attendance rate of 92 percent. Students are interning at nearly 50 organizations, including law firms, hospitals, schools and even a video game company. Six students are doing advanced work at the Community College of Denver, and one teen’s film about the high school, Skyland Power, was selected for the 5th Starz Denver Pan African Film Festival.

“I think this is preparing me better for the real world. I’m working on a lasting project at the Botanic Gardens.”
— Jay Carter, Skyland Community High School freshman.
Purpose: To offer an alternative education program for high-school-aged students in Nederland and Boulder.

How Rose Community Foundation is helping: The Foundation granted $10,000 to support this alternative high-school program offered at an established teen center, TEENS, Inc.

Recent highlights: TEENS, Inc., located in the mountain community of Nederland, was founded as an outgrowth of the town’s Youth Services department in 1997 and opened its own facility in 2000. The staff at this popular teen and family center have cultivated a positive relationship with many of the area’s teens who have not been successful in traditional schools. In partnership with the Boulder Valley School District, TEENS, Inc. began offering a high-school curriculum in 2002-2003 that is highly customized and focuses heavily on personalized attention to each student’s needs. Staff also work to make it comfortable for dropouts to re-enroll and complete high school.

“I tried to go to regular high school but I had a lot of anxiety attacks. This is a lot more comfortable. You really know the teachers. I’ll call them sometimes just to talk.”

— T.J. Lusk, a senior who was also the first student in TEENS, Inc.’s alternative high-school program.
2003 Education Grants

Total: $965,649

THE ALLIANCE FOR QUALITY TEACHING
$250,000
Over two years to support a consortium of state policymakers, educators, and business and community leaders in efforts to ensure quality teaching for all Colorado children.
qualityteaching.org

THE ALLIANCE FOR QUALITY TEACHING
$500
To support a workshop to review the effectiveness of legislation that redesigned teacher-education programs at the state’s colleges and universities.
qualityteaching.org

ARRUPE JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL
$100,000
In the form of a matching grant to support start-up costs for this new school that is a participant in the Colorado Small Schools Initiative.
arrupejesuit.com
coloradosmallschools.org

BRIGHTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 27J
$72,051
Over three years to train school professionals in nine research-based instructional strategies to strengthen student achievement at two elementary schools.
brightonps27j.k12.co.us

CENTRO DE PADRES UNIDOS
$20,000
For efforts to improve public education for Latino students.

COALITION OF COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS FOR YOUTH
$870
To support a strategic plan for after-school programs in Denver.
ccfy.org

COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS
$50,000
To support efforts to strengthen school boards.
casb.org

COLORADO CHILDREN’S CAMPAIGN
$5,000
To support the Fiscal Analysis Project, an examination of government funding for children and education. This $15,000 grant was jointly supported by Rose Community Foundation’s Child and Family Development, Community Building and Education program areas. (See pages 12 and 31.)
coloradokids.org

COLORADO PARTNERSHIP FOR EDUCATIONAL RENEWAL (COPER)
$1,000
To support a conference on teacher recruitment and retention in Colorado.
http://online.jeffco.k12.co.us/coper/

COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER
$1,750
To support the Colorado Nonprofit Leadership and Management Program. Rose Community Foundation’s Aging, Child and Family Development, Education and Community Building program areas jointly supported this $10,000 grant. (See pages 7, 12 and 31.)
crcamerica.org

CREATING CARING COMMUNITIES
$15,000
To support this organization that helps schools become communities of caring, justice and democracy.
creatingcaringcommunities.com

DENVER KIDS, INC.
$10,000
To provide support to K-12 Denver Public School students from low-income families.
denverkidsinc.org

GRANTMAKERS FOR EDUCATION
$5,000
To support this national association of grantmakers seeking to improve educational outcomes for students.
edfunders.com

THE ODYSSEY SCHOOL
$3,900
To support the development of a five-year strategic plan.
odyssedenver.org

PUBLIC EDUCATION & BUSINESS COALITION (PEBC)
$75,000
To support PEBC’s efforts to improve learning opportunities for public-school students.
pebc.org

SKYLAND COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
$150,000
To support the inaugural year of this school that focuses on individualized teaching for urban teens.
skylandschool.org
SUMMER SCHOLARS
$15,000
To support a six-week summer literacy and recreation program for Denver elementary students.
summerscholars.org

SWANSEA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
$2,000
To develop a comprehensive work plan to implement a literacy program.
http://swanseadpsk12.org

TEENS, INC.
$10,000
To support the Nederland Alternative Program, an alternative high school for students who have been unsuccessful in traditional public schools.
teensinc.org

UNIVERSITY OF DENVER BRIDGE PROJECT
$30,000
Over two years to provide educational, social, and career opportunities to children and adults living in Denver’s public-housing developments.

Special Grants, Initiatives and Partnerships

DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS/DENVER CLASSROOM TEACHERS ASSOCIATION TEACHER COMPENSATION PROJECT
$52,000
To support the final 14 months of a pilot program to test the connection between teacher compensation and student achievement in Denver Public Schools. Rose Community Foundation served as fiscal sponsor.
denverteachercompensation.org

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOOST INITIATIVE FEASIBILITY STUDY
$2,778
To fund a feasibility study for the Foundation’s BOOST initiative. (See page 32.) rcfdenver.org/initiatives BOOST.htm

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOOST INITIATIVE
$93,800
To support the participation of The Alliance for Quality Teaching in this $1.93 million initiative to strengthen 10 Rose Community Foundation grantees. (See page 32.) rcfdenver.org/initiatives BOOST.htm
With higher health-insurance premiums, growing numbers of people without health insurance and fragmented services, the U.S. health-care system is struggling. Colorado is no exception. Rose Community Foundation works with government and nonprofit health organizations to shape a health-care system that is more accessible and responsive to community needs.

To that end, Rose Community Foundation supports the development of health-policy leadership. In 2003, the Foundation’s Aging and Health program areas joined with Caring for Colorado Foundation and The Colorado Trust to establish the Colorado Health Institute (CHI), a source of unbiased health information for policymakers and the community (see page 21). CHI is also the new home of *Hot Issues in Health Care*, a Foundation initiative started in 2000 to provide state policymakers with opportunities to remain informed about emerging health-policy issues.

Rose Community Foundation also works to effect more immediate change in improving access to health care for low-income children, youth and families. The Foundation supports efforts to enroll them in publicly supported health-insurance programs, to improve access to health-care services, and to reduce fragmentation by looking at ways to streamline the Medicaid and Child Health Plan Plus programs (see box to left). Additionally, the Foundation supports nonprofit health providers in their efforts to prevent disease and to promote community health.

“We are encouraged by the positive response of policymakers to efforts that give them important health information, and by the dedicated community leaders who work so diligently to ensure that all people have access to quality health care,” says Donald Kortz, Rose Community Foundation Trustee and Health Committee Chair.

The Foundation thanks Board Chair Stephen Shogan, M.D. for chairing the Health Committee from 1996 through 2003.
Grantee Profile
CITY OF COMMERCE CITY – ci.commerce-city.co.us

Purpose: To assess the health needs of Commerce City residents, and to develop options for ways to meet them.

How Rose Community Foundation is helping: Located near Denver International Airport, Commerce City is growing rapidly. Rose Community Foundation granted $18,000 toward the cost of a health-needs assessment and feasibility study.

Recent highlights: In 1996, Commerce City issued less than a dozen building permits. In 2003, more than 1,200 were issued. At the same time, the only two local physicians and a hospital clinic closed their doors, leaving just three clinics open. A local grassroots organization, Metropolitan Organization for People (MOP), surveyed residents and found that many didn’t have access to health care. MOP took its findings to the city and worked with the city manager and mayor to make health care a priority issue. A needs assessment and feasibility study have now been completed, and a community oversight committee is working to implement recommendations. “This is a great example of government working with its citizenry,” says Elaine Rowe, Grant Administrator for the City of Commerce City.

“It’s been an exciting experience. Everyone has been invited to participate and they have all had a say.”

— Mateos Alvarez of Metropolitan Organization for People.
Grantee Profile
COLORADO HEALTH INSTITUTE – coloradohealthinstitute.org

Purpose: To create a healthier Colorado through informed decisions.

How Rose Community Foundation is helping: Together with Caring for Colorado Foundation and The Colorado Trust, Rose Community Foundation committed $1.9 million to establish the Colorado Health Institute (CHI) and provide a total of nearly $6 million to fund its programs and operations for five years.

Recent highlights: By providing objective health data and health-policy analysis, CHI hopes to give legislators and others the tools they need to strengthen health policy in Colorado. After setting up CHI’s infrastructure in 2003, President and CEO Pamela Hanes hired five director-level staff in early 2004. The Institute’s first offering, a paper on Colorado’s new no-fault auto insurance law, resulted in a request from the state’s insurance commissioner to monitor the issue over time. CHI is also acting as a facilitator between an external advisory committee and the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing as the Department explores the possibility of applying for a waiver related to federally funded health-insurance programs. (See box on page 19.)

“It’s very important that CHI is not perceived as taking sides. Our job is to put the information out there, laying out a whole range of perspectives to create a more informed debate about health issues.”

— Pamela Hanes, Ph.D., President and CEO of Colorado Health Institute.

Colorado Health Institute (CHI) President and CEO Pamela Hanes leads a staff retreat. CHI wants to work with local communities to find innovative solutions to health-care issues.


### 2003 Health Grants

Total: $1,411,748

#### THE FEDERATION OF FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN’S MENTAL HEALTH – COLORADO CHAPTER

**$7,500**

To advocate for an integrated system of care for families with children who have mental illness.

[colorsadofederation.org](http://colorsadofederation.org)

#### FRONT RANGE CENTER FOR ASSAULT PREVENTION

**$10,000**

To educate children and teens on assault prevention.

[frontrangecap.org](http://frontrangecap.org)

#### GRANTMAKERS IN HEALTH

**$7,500**

To support the activities of this national association of grantmakers dedicated to improving the nation's health.

[gih.org](http://gih.org)

#### HEP C CONNECTION

**$20,000**

To inform and educate populations at risk of contracting hepatitis C.

[hepc-connection.org](http://hepc-connection.org)

#### LEGAL AID FOUNDATION OF COLORADO

**$35,000**

In the form of a challenge grant to provide legal assistance to low-income and uninsured Coloradans.

[legalaidfoundation.org](http://legalaidfoundation.org)

#### MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF COLORADO

**$50,000**

To promote understanding of mental disorders, expand access to services, and improve systems of care.

[mhacolorado.org](http://mhacolorado.org)

#### THE PITON FOUNDATION

**$5,000**

To support Denver Benchmarks, a project to identify and measure health and quality-of-life indicators in Denver neighborhoods.

[piton.org](http://piton.org)

#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN YOUTH

**$25,000**

To provide health-care services to indigent and at-risk children and youth.

[rockymountainyouth.org](http://rockymountainyouth.org)

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**AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS – COLORADO CHAPTER**

**$5,000**

In the form of a matching grant to analyze options for enrolling low-income, uninsured children in the state-sponsored insurance programs Child Health Plan Plus and Medicaid.

**CITY OF COMMERCE CITY**

**$18,000**

To assess the health needs of Commerce City residents.

[ci.commerce-city.co.us](http://ci.commerce-city.co.us)

**CLÍNICA TEPEYAC**

**$20,000**

To support health-care services for low-income, predominantly Latino families in northwest Denver.

[clinatepeyac.org](http://clinatepeyac.org)

**COLORADO AIDS PROJECT**

**$10,000**

To support outreach and education to individuals and communities at the highest risk of contracting HIV/AIDS.

[ColoradoAIDSproject.org](http://ColoradoAIDSproject.org)

**COLORADO CENTER ON LAW AND POLICY**

**$71,862**

For advocacy efforts to increase access to health care for low-income Coloradans.

[cclponline.org](http://cclponline.org)

**COLORADO COMMUNITY HEALTH NETWORK**

**$50,000**

To support Colorado Covering Kids and Families, an initiative designed to increase participation of children and families in government-sponsored health-care programs.

[echn.org](http://echn.org)

**COLORADO CONSUMER HEALTH INITIATIVE**

**$140,000**

Over two years to advocate for access to quality health care for all Coloradans.

[cohealthinitiative.org](http://cohealthinitiative.org)

**COLORADO MINORITY HEALTH FORUM**

**$15,000**

To develop a business plan to improve the health of minority communities in Colorado.

[Coloradominorityhealthforum.org](http://Coloradominorityhealthforum.org)

**DOCTORS CARE**

**$20,000**

To provide health care to low-income, uninsured and underinsured individuals.

[drscare.org](http://drscare.org)

**THE FEDERATION OF FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN’S MENTAL HEALTH – COLORADO CHAPTER**

**$7,500**

To advocate for an integrated system of care for families with children who have mental illness.

[colorsadofederation.org](http://colorsadofederation.org)

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[gih.org](http://gih.org)

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[hepc-connection.org](http://hepc-connection.org)

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[mhacolorado.org](http://mhacolorado.org)

**THE PITON FOUNDATION**

**$5,000**

To support Denver Benchmarks, a project to identify and measure health and quality-of-life indicators in Denver neighborhoods.

[piton.org](http://piton.org)

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN YOUTH**

**$25,000**

To provide health-care services to indigent and at-risk children and youth.

[rockymountainyouth.org](http://rockymountainyouth.org)
HEALTH INSURANCE FLEXIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY (HIFA) INITIATIVE
The HIFA initiative is a statewide effort to improve efficiency and access to health-care services within the context of the Medicaid and Child Health Plan Plus programs. Rose Community Foundation committed $90,000 and serves as fiscal sponsor for an additional $125,000 contributed by the Colorado Child Health Foundation (a supporting organization of Rose Community Foundation), The Denver Foundation and The Piton Foundation.

MEDICAL PATIENT ASSISTANCE
$1,967
Rose Community Foundation administers restricted funds to provide emergency assistance to patients in need.

MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
$13,669
Rose Community Foundation administers restricted funds to support ongoing training and development of local medical professionals in specific categories of health care.

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOOST INITIATIVE
$399,130
To support the participation of Colorado Consumer Health Initiative and Metro Denver Black Church Initiative in this $1.93 million initiative to strengthen 10 Rose Community Foundation grantees. (See page 32.)

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOOST INITIATIVE FEASIBILITY STUDY
$5,556
To fund a feasibility study for the Foundation’s BOOST initiative. (See page 32.)

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION HOT ISSUES IN HEALTH CARE
$186,564
To develop health-policy leadership in Colorado by providing legislators with opportunities to learn about emerging and persistent health-policy issues.

hotissuesinhealthcare.org
Jewish Life

Rose Community Foundation honors its roots by supporting Jewish organizations through its Jewish Life program area. In 2003, the Foundation made 36 grants totaling more than $2.1 million to institutions in the Jewish community.

The Jewish Life program area has established four grantmaking priorities. A 2003 grant example follows each priority:

• **Outreach to Unconnected Jews** – A $20,000 grant to Rocky Mountain Rabbinical Council is helping to expand and market an introduction to Judaism class to provide further education to Jews and for others pursuing conversion.

• **Experiences that Promote Jewish Growth** – Rocky Mountain Region B’nai B’rith Youth Organization received more than $27,000 to train adult mentors to work with Jewish youth.

• **Organizational Development** – Jewish Family Service of Colorado purchased its first permanent headquarters and created a repair and replacement fund, assisted by a grant of more than $210,000.

• **Leadership Development** – The Foundation granted more than $80,000 to support a teacher-development program for Jewish day-school teachers through Colorado Agency for Jewish Education (CAJE).

Rose Community Foundation believes in making long-term investments in the Jewish community. Boulder Jewish Community Foundation, Colorado Agency for Jewish Education (CAJE) and Hillel of Colorado will all become stronger through their participation in the three-year Foundation-wide BOOST initiative (see page 32). The Foundation also continues to support participants in its Endowment Challenge by making additional grants in 2003 to strengthen endowment and planned-giving activities (see page 28).

“We have a thriving Jewish community,” says Arlene Hirschfeld, Rose Community Foundation Trustee and Chair of the Jewish Life Committee. “We are committed to support inclusion, open and respectful dialogue, and diversity because we believe these are the qualities that help to keep it strong.”

The Foundation thanks former Trustee Phillip Figa for chairing the Jewish Life Committee from 2002 through 2003.

**THE ENDOWMENT CHALLENGE UPDATE**

• From 1999 through 2002, 19 Denver/Boulder Jewish organizations participated in The Endowment Challenge, a highly successful initiative of Rose Community Foundation and Alllied Jewish Federation that resulted in nearly $19 million in new permanent endowment funds for the organizations. These funds grew to $22 million in 2003.

• Based on 2003 fund earnings, the participating organizations received more than $800,000 in March 2004. These distributions represented a maximum five percent of each endowment's fund balance.

• Most of the endowment funds earned more than five percent in 2003. The excess earnings are automatically reinvested, increasing each fund's total and leading to greater earnings potential in the future.
Grantee Profile
THE MAURICE B. SHWAYDER CAMP OF CONGREGATION EMANUEL – shwayder.com

Purpose: To help Jewish youth create a stronger connection to their own Judaism, other Jewish youth and the outdoors.

How Rose Community Foundation is helping: Rose Community Foundation granted $250,000 in 1997 toward Shwayder Camp's expansion. With increasing enrollment, a $25,000 challenge grant from Rose Community Foundation is now helping replace the old infirmary with a larger one.

Recent highlights: Established in 1948, Shwayder Camp serves 120 campers at a time. Given its remote location and the desire to accommodate campers with a range of health-care needs, an onsite nurse is a necessity. In addition to traditional camp activities such as horseback riding and swimming, Shwayder offers morning services, Israeli music and very popular Shabbat services. “It’s a community, not just a camp,” says Congregation Emanuel’s Senior Rabbi Steven Foster. “In finding community, the campers find the positives that we all think of – support, caring and acceptance.” Studies show that youth who attend Jewish camps also identify with and practice their Jewish faith more deeply.

“Shwayder gave me a foundation for all of my Jewish learning, and a basis for my spirituality. And camp is way fun!”

— Laura Weinstein, who considers her nine years at Shwayder Camp to be among her most significant childhood memories.

Operating since 1948, today nearly 500 youth attend Shwayder Camp each year.
Grantee Profile

THE JEWISH EXPERIENCE - thejewishexperience.com

Purpose: To educate and excite Jews about Judaism.

How Rose Community Foundation is helping: From its start as a grassroots outreach organization, The Jewish Experience (TJE) has seen demand for its programs outpace its administrative capabilities. TJE is using a $20,000 grant from Rose Community Foundation to develop a strategic plan for long-term growth.

Recent highlights: TJE reached out to more than 1,300 metro-area Jews in 2003. Many of the organization’s programs are targeted to families, with Jewish holiday celebrations, Judaism instruction for parents at their children’s play groups, and Jewish cooking and baking classes. TJE also offers flexible adult learning opportunities including evening classes, weekday “Lunch n’ Learns”, one-time lectures and biannual retreats. In addition to its resource libraries, one of TJE’s most popular programs is the chavurah, a casual in-home gathering of a group of friends. Based on each group’s interests, TJE provides knowledgeable speakers and discussion leaders to help the participants explore their Jewish beliefs.

“The rabbis involved in this organization are very educated and religious, but also very easy to approach. If you want to take it [your knowledge of Judaism] up a notch, or even more than a notch, they have the resources to help you.”

— Bruce Bendell, who has participated in many of TJE’s programs and is now on the organization’s board.

Rabbi Tzvi Mordechai Feldheim teaches a class about Passover.
2003 Jewish Life Grants

Total: $2,106,884

**ALLIED JEWISH FEDERATION OF COLORADO (AJF)**
$520,000
To support the Jewish Resource Center’s outreach services, the jewishcolorado.org Web site, and AJF’s annual campaign.

jewishcolorado.org

**ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE, MOUNTAIN STATES REGION**
$18,000
To conduct a communications and marketing analysis and create a new communications plan.

adl.org

**BOULDER JEWISH FESTIVAL**
$7,500
To support the Boulder Jewish Festival 2003, featuring local Jewish organizations and presenting Jewish cultural activities.

boulderjewishfestival.org

**COLORADO AGENCY FOR JEWISH EDUCATION (CAJE)**
$82,835
To support Building Learning Communities, a teacher-development pilot program to increase student success at Denver Academy of Torah and Herzl Lower School.

caje-co.org

**COMMUNITY HELP & ABUSE INFORMATION (CHAI)**
$34,745
To develop a communications plan and fundraising strategy for this organization that increases awareness in the Jewish community about domestic abuse.

chicolorado.org

**CONGREGATION EMANUEL**
$25,000
In the form of a challenge grant to replace and expand the infirmary at The Maurice B. Shwayder Camp, a summer camp for Jewish youth.

shwayder.com

**THE JEWISH EXPERIENCE**
$20,000
To develop a strategic plan for organizational development.

thejewishexperience.com

**JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE OF COLORADO**
$212,040
To support the purchase of a headquarters building and create a 10-year facility maintenance and replacement schedule. Of this, $50,000 was in the form of matching funds over five years to create a reserve fund to maintain the building.

jewishfamilyservice.org

**JEWISH FUNDERS NETWORK**
$7,000
To support the activities of this national association that promotes thoughtful philanthropy among Jewish funders.

jfunders.org

**ROBERT E. LOUP JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER**
$170,000
To support technology upgrades.

jccdenver.org

**ROBERT E. LOUP JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER**
$19,000
To fund the search for a new executive director.

jccdenver.org

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN RABBINICAL COUNCIL**
$20,000
In the form of a challenge grant to help expand and market an introduction to Judaism course for Jews seeking further education and individuals pursuing conversion. Congregation Rodef Shalom serves as fiscal sponsor.

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION B’NAI B’RITH YOUTH ORGANIZATION (RMR BBYO)**
$27,500
To support a pilot program to recruit, train, and support adult advisors to work with RMR BBYO participants.

rmrbbyo.org
THE ENDOWMENT CHALLENGE GROWTH INITIATIVE
$250,141
From 1999 through 2002, 19 Denver and Boulder organizations serving the Jewish community participated in The Endowment Challenge, a grant initiative of Rose Community Foundation in partnership with Allied Jewish Federation of Colorado. In 2002 the Foundation approved a new initiative for these organizations designed to help them increase endowment donations by enhancing their endowment and planned-giving activities. The following grants for this purpose were distributed in 2003:

- **AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE**
  $20,000
  ajc.org

- **ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE, MOUNTAIN STATES REGION**
  $19,921
  adl.org

- **BMH-BJ CONGREGATION**
  $16,720
  bmh-bj.org

- **BOULDER JEWISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**
  $16,300
  bjcf.org

- **CENTER FOR JUDAIC STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF DENVER**
  $20,000
  du.edu/cjs/

- **COLORADO AGENCY FOR JEWISH EDUCATION (CAJE)**
  $20,000
  caje-co.org

- **CONGREGATION EMMANUEL**
  $9,500
  congregationemanuel.com

- **DENVER ACADEMY OF TORAH**
  $20,000
  datcampus.org

- **THE DENVER CAMPUS FOR JEWISH EDUCATION**
  $20,000
  dcje.org

- **HILLEL OF COLORADO**
  $20,000
  hillelcolorado.org

- **JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE OF COLORADO**
  $11,500
  jewishfamilyservice.org

- **ROBERT E. LOUP JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER**
  $20,000
  jccdenvver.org

- **SHALOM PARK**
  $16,200
  shalompark.org

- **YESHIVA TORAS CHAIM**
  $20,000

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOOST INITIATIVE
$615,990
To support the participation of Boulder Jewish Community Foundation, Colorado Agency for Jewish Education and Hillel of Colorado in this $1.93 million initiative to strengthen 10 Rose Community Foundation grantees. (See page 32.)

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOOST INITIATIVE FEASIBILITY STUDY
$8,333
To fund a feasibility study for the Foundation’s BOOST initiative. (See page 32.)

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ROSH HASHANAH GREETING CARD CONTEST:

- **ALLIED JEWISH FEDERATION OF COLORADO**
  $175
  jewishcolorado.org

- **BMH-BJ CONGREGATION**
  $125
  bmh-bj.org

- **THE CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION**
  $500
  tchden.org

- **THE DENVER CAMPUS FOR JEWISH EDUCATION**
  $200
  dcje.org

THE FOLLOWING GRANTS WERE AWARDED AS A RESULT OF THE FOUNDATION’S 2003 ROSH HASHANAH GREETING CARD CONTEST:

- **JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE OF COLORADO**
  $11,500
  jewishfamilyservice.org

- **ROBERT E. LOUP JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER**
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ROSE YOUTH FOUNDATION
$67,800
To fund the third year of this initiative that teaches Jewish students in grades 8-12 about philanthropy through direct involvement with grantmaking. Rose Community Foundation serves as fiscal sponsor.
(See page 30.)
rcfdenver.org/RYF

THE FOLLOWING GRANTS WERE MADE IN MAY 2003 BY THE SECOND GROUP OF TEENS TO BE PART OF ROSE YOUTH FOUNDATION:

ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE, MOUNTAIN STATES REGION
HILLEL OF COLORADO
$8,995
To support a weekend retreat for college students about Jewish identity that teaches ways to respond to anti-Semitic incidents on college campuses, and how to be effective advocates for Israel. Hillel of Colorado serves as fiscal sponsor.
adl.org
hillelcolorado.org

BOULDER JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER
$3,245
To support a Jewish identity theater program for students in grades 7 through 12 to explore what it means to be Jewish in these times. Boulder Jewish Community Foundation serves as fiscal sponsor.
bjcf.org

CLAL – THE NATIONAL JEWISH CENTER FOR LEARNING AND LEADERSHIP
$10,000
To support an interdenominational Jewish learning group for Denver/Boulder teenagers and adults about contemporary Jewish issues.
cal.org

COLORADO AGENCY FOR JEWISH EDUCATION (CAJE)
$5,000
To bring Mitchell Bard, co-author of *Myths and Facts: A Concise Record of the Arab-Israeli Conflict*, to Denver and Boulder Jewish day schools to support efforts on behalf of Israel advocacy.
caje-co.org

JEWISH LIFE GRANTS
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Jewish youth from Congregation Emanuel’s Friedman Club participate in the Martin Luther King Jr. Day march to the State Capitol. Rose Youth Foundation supported the Club’s participation.

CONGREGATION EMANUEL, FRIEDMAN CLUB
$1,400
To support the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Shul-In, an overnight intensive learning retreat about tolerance and social justice for all Jewish teens, which included participation in Martin Luther King Jr. Day activities.
congregationemanuel.com/
camping_youth.htm

STEPPING STONES...TO A JEWISH ME
$1,360
To expand the Junior Mitzvah Corps, a curriculum teaching Jewish values and morals to interfaith children and their parents.
steppingstonesfamily.com
Rose Youth Foundation is an initiative of Rose Community Foundation that teaches Jewish youth about philanthropy through hands-on grantmaking, while training future Jewish community leaders in the process. In June 2003, Rose Youth Foundation finished its second year, granting $30,000. (For a list of grantees, see previous page.) Rose Youth Foundation began its third year in fall 2003 with a grantmaking budget of $45,000.

Comprised of metro-area Jewish teens who apply to become part of the group, Rose Youth Foundation members represent a broad spectrum of Jewish involvement, describing themselves as unaffiliated, Orthodox, Reform, Reconstructionist, Conservative and secular Jews.

“It’s such a diverse group, it’s been an invaluable experience. We’ve all learned so much from each other,” says Kendra Shwayder Kassell, a three-year member who was chair of Rose Youth Foundation in 2003-2004. “And doing site visits with the grantees was great. Seeing where grants happen and meeting the organizations’ leaders tells us a lot more than what’s written on a piece of paper.”

The 2003-2004 Rose Youth Foundation members awarded $30,000 in grants for programs that promote Jewish education and Israel awareness. They distributed an additional $15,000 to an initiative addressing teen affiliation. For more information, visit Rose Youth Foundation’s Web page at rcfdenver.org/RYF.

2003-2004 ROSE YOUTH FOUNDATION MEMBERS:
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Tim Campbell, Vice Chair
Jessica Hittelman, Secretary
Dana Rommerdahl, Marketing Director
Emily Gordon, Historian
David Adelman
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Elishева Bulow
Seth Cohn
Elise Diner
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Jeremy Gelman
Carolan Glatstein
Danny Jackson
Sam Levy
Mike Miles
Sam O’Connor
Allison Shpall
Liz Walker
Brandon Zinn
2003 Community Building Grants

On a limited basis, Rose Community Foundation supports projects that strengthen our community by addressing the Foundation's core values: social justice and nondiscrimination; expansion of philanthropy and community service; increasing the capacity of nonprofit organizations; and innovative approaches to community issues. Community Building grants are not funded out of a formal program area.

Total: $338,180

ALLIANCE FOR JUSTICE
$10,000
To support the Nonprofit Advocacy Project, a workshop addressing lobbying and electoral rules for nonprofit managers, staff and volunteers.
afj.org

COLORADO ANTI-VIOLENCE PROGRAM
$10,000
To support programs that work to eliminate violence within and against the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community.
cova.org

COLORADO CHILDREN’S CAMPAIGN
$5,000
To support the Fiscal Analysis Project, an examination of government funding for children and education. This $15,000 grant was jointly supported by Rose Community Foundation’s Aging, Child and Family Development, Community Building and Education program areas. (See pages 7, 12 and 17.)
coloradokids.org

COLORADO FISCAL POLICY INSTITUTE
$600
To support a meeting to discuss state budget issues.
cclponline.org/cfpi/

COLORADO NONPROFIT DEVELOPMENT CENTER (THE CENTER)
$25,000
To support The Center in providing services to nonprofit startup organizations.
startnonprofit.org

COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER
$4,750
To support the Colorado Nonprofit Leadership and Management Program. Rose Community Foundation’s Aging, Child and Family Development, Community Building and Education program areas jointly supported this $10,000 grant. (See pages 7, 12 and 17.)
crcamerica.org

THE CONFLICT CENTER
$10,000
To support programs for children, adolescents and adults that teach practical skills for anger and conflict management.
conflictcenter.org

GRASSROOTS INSTITUTE FOR FUNDRAISING TRAINING (GIFT)
$5,000
To develop and strengthen the fundraising skills of people working for social justice and grassroots organizations.
grassrootsinstitute.org

LUNDY FOUNDATION
$25,000
To support the 2003/2004 Partners For Collaborative Change leadership program for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender leaders.
lundyfoundation.org

METROPOLITAN ORGANIZATIONS FOR PEOPLE (MOP)
$15,000
To support leadership development for low- to moderate-income community leaders.

PROVIDERS’ RESOURCE CLEARINGHOUSE
$10,000
To support this organization that recycles and refurbishes office equipment and computers for discount sale to nonprofit organizations.
procolorado.org

THE WOMEN’S FOUNDATION OF COLORADO
$12,500
To support an assessment of the Foundation’s mission, strategies and goals.
wfc.org

Special Grants, Initiatives and Partnerships

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
$205,330
To support the participation of Metro Volunteers! in this $1.93 million initiative to strengthen 10 Rose Community Foundation grantees. The Jay and Rose Phillips Family Foundation provided $150,000 of this amount. (See page 32.)
rcfdenver.org/initiatives__BOOST.htm

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afj.org

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ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IS PROUD TO PROVIDE OFFICE SPACE AND SUPPORT TO THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE CONSISTENT WITH OUR MISSION:

Colorado Association of Funders – coloradofunders.org
A regional membership organization of foundations.

Hispanics in Philanthropy – hiponline.org
An association of grantmakers promoting stronger partnerships between organized philanthropy and Latino communities.

Kellogg Fellows Leadership Alliance – kelloggfellows.org
Promotes social, economic and environmental justice by serving communities and catalyzing change through the leverage of Kellogg Fellows worldwide.
BOOST – Building Organizational Operating Strength Together – is a three-year grant initiative designed to strengthen 10 Rose Community Foundation grantees. BOOST is based on the premise that financial health and good business planning are key to a nonprofit organization’s performance, effectiveness and durability. Susan Kenny Stevens, Ph.D. is the initiative’s designer and lead consultant.

The Foundation is investing $1.93 million for training, consulting and strategic grant investments to the organizations. BOOST will benefit grantees in all five of Rose Community Foundation’s program areas – Aging, Child and Family Development, Education, Health and Jewish Life. One of the participating agencies, Metro Volunteers!, provides services and technical assistance to a wide range of nonprofits. The Jay and Rose Phillips Family Foundation is providing substantial financial support for Metro Volunteers!' participation in the project.

BOOST has been broken down into two phases, with Phase One taking place in 2004. Each organization has been matched with a primary planning consultant who will work with the agency for all three years of the initiative. Participants will receive a grant to invest in their infrastructure, and will work with their respective consultants to develop a comprehensive three-year business plan. In 2005 and 2006, BOOST grantees will receive substantial grants to implement their business plans as part of Phase Two.

“BOOST is designed to be more than a three-year initiative,” says Katherine Peck, the Foundation’s Vice President for Programs. “We hope to create a model for how Rose Community Foundation and the metro area’s nonprofits can more effectively serve the community and work together in the future.”
THE BOOST PARTICIPANTS

Rose Community Foundation has committed $1,930,240 over three years to the BOOST initiative. Both staff and board members from each organization are participating.

THE ALLIANCE FOR QUALITY TEACHING
Works to improve learning for Colorado’s children through quality teaching.
qualityteaching.org

BOULDER JEWISH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
Provides programs and facilities for the religious, social and cultural benefit of Boulder’s Jewish community.
bjcf.org

COLORADO AGENCY FOR JEWISH EDUCATION (CAJE)
Supports Jewish learning from preschool age through adulthood through a variety of educational programs and services.
caje-co.org

COLORADO BRIGHT BEGINNINGS
Promotes the healthy development of Colorado children during the first three years of life.
brightbeginningco.org

COLORADO CONSUMER HEALTH INITIATIVE
Works to ensure that all Coloradans have access to quality health care.
cohealthinitiative.org

HILLEL OF COLORADO
Offers Jewish college students connections to Jewish life on campus at the University of Denver, University of Colorado and Colorado State University.
hillelcolorado.org

METRO DENVER BLACK CHURCH INITIATIVE (MDBCI)
Promotes cooperative leadership among African-American ministers and helps churches operate effective social and health programs and services.
denverblackchurch.org

METRO VOLUNTEERS!
Builds the effectiveness of nonprofit organizations and connects individuals with volunteer opportunities.
metrovolunteers.org

THE SENIOR HUB
Provides referrals and services to help older adults enjoy a higher quality of life.
seniorhub.org

WOMEN’S BEAN PROJECT
Helps chronically unemployed women — many of them mothers — move toward self-sufficiency.
womensbeanproject.com

BOOST participants have the opportunity to learn from each other’s successes and challenges. Here Jackie Norris, Executive Director of Metro Volunteers!, shares her thoughts.
Matching Gifts and Discretionary Grants

Rose Community Foundation matches qualified charitable contributions made by trustees, committee members and staff. On a limited basis, the Foundation also makes small discretionary grants to community organizations and projects. In 2003, a total of $222,689 in matching gifts and discretionary grants was awarded to the following organizations:

Adelante Mujer
Aish/Ahavas Yisroel
The Alexander Foundation
Allied Jewish Federation of Colorado
Alzheimer's Association, Colorado Chapter
American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Colorado (ACLU)
American Red Cross, Mile High Chapter
Anti-Defamation League, Mountain States Region
Autism Society of Colorado
Bethel Biblical
Bighorn Center for Public Policy
Bluff Lake Nature Center
BMH-BJ Congregation
B’nai Havurah
Boulder County AIDS Project
Boulder Jewish Community Foundation
Boulder Jewish Day School
Bromwell Elementary School
Cableland Home Foundation
Catholic Charities
Center for Judaic Studies, University of Denver
Center for Work Education and Employment (CWEED
Cherry Creek Community Church
The Children's Hospital
The Children's Hospital Foundation
The Children's Museum of Denver
Chinook Fund
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
Church of the Blessed Sacrament
The Clayton Foundation
Clean Water Fund
Colorado Agency for Jewish Education (CAJE)
Colorado AIDS Project
Colorado Association of Nonprofit Organizations (CANPO)
Colorado Bright Beginnings
Colorado Cattlemen's Agricultural Land Trust
Colorado Children's Campaign
Colorado Coalition for the Homeless
Colorado Conservation Trust
Colorado Consumer Health Initiative
Colorado Historical Society
Colorado Lawyers Committee
Colorado Nonprofit Development Center
Colorado Open Lands
Colorado Public Radio
Colorado State Fair

Colorado Women's Bar Association Foundation
The Community Foundation Serving Boulder County
Community Help & Abuse Information (CHAI)
Congregation Emanuel
Congregation Rodef Shalom
Council on Foundations
Craig Hospital
Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America, Rocky Mountain Chapter
Curtis Park Community Center
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
Denver Academy of Torah
Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America
Denver Art Museum
The Denver Campus for Jewish Education
Denver Children's Home
Denver Community Kollel
The Denver Foundation
Denver Health Foundation
Denver Institute for Jewish Studies
Denver Kids, Inc.
Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce
Denver Museum of Nature & Science
The Denver Public Library
Denver Public Schools Foundation
Denver Zoological Foundation
Diana Price-Fish Cancer Foundation
Dumb Friends League
East Denver Orthodox Synagogue
Escuela Tlatelolco Centro de Estudios
Faith Bible Chapel
Family Advocacy, Care, Education, Support (FACES)
Family HomeStead
Family Star
Friends of Slavens School
The Gathering Place
The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Community Center of Colorado
Girl Scouts - Mile Hi Council
Graland Country Day School
Greater Kansas City Community Foundation
Habitat for Humanity of Colorado
Harvard Business School
Hebrew Educational Alliance
Hillel Academy of Denver
Hillel of Colorado
Historic Denver
Holy Ghost Church
Hospice of Metro Denver
Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership of Colorado
Human Services, Inc.
Institute of International Education
Inter-Faith Community Services
Invest In Kids
James P. Beckwourth Mountain Club
Jay Nolan Community Services
Jazz89 KUVO - Denver Educational Broadcasting
Jewish Family Service of Colorado
Jewish Renewal Community of Boulder
Kent Denver School
Kohelet
Latin American Research and Service Agency (LARASA)
Legal Aid Foundation of Colorado
The LISTEN Foundation
Little Voice Productions
Mayflower Congregational Church
Mendel-Asarch Family Lung Cancer Foundation
Mercy Housing Southwest
Metro Denver Black Church Initiative
Metropolitan State College of Denver
Metro Volunteers!
Mi Casa Resource Center for Women
Mile High Child Care
Mile High Montessori Early Learning Centers
Mile High United Way
Mizel Center for Arts and Culture
The Mizel Museum
Montessori School of Washington Park
Muscular Dystrophy Association
National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ)
National Jewish Medical and Research Center
National Multiple Sclerosis Society - Colorado Chapter
National Neurofibromatosis Foundation - Colorado Chapter
Nine Health Services
Open Fairways
Opera Colorado
Panorama Research & Education Foundation
Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Boulder
Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Denver
Partners for Access to the Woods (PAW)
Pax Christi Catholic Church
People's Clinic
Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains
Porter Hospice
Project Angel Heart
Project PAVE
Public Education & Business Coalition (PEBC)
Rape Assistance and Awareness Program (RAAP)
Regis University
Robert E. Loup Jewish Community Center
Rocky Mountain District Kiwanis Foundation
Rocky Mountain Jewish Historical Society and Beck Archives
Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Network
SafeHouse Denver
Saint John’s Episcopal Cathedral
Senior Support Services
Shalom Park
The Shannon Foundation
Sisters of St. Francis
Slippers-N-Sliders Ski Club
Southwest Montessori Preschool
Special Olympics Colorado
St. Joseph Hospital Foundation
St. Rose of Lima Elementary School
St. Thomas More Catholic Church
Summer Scholars
University of Colorado at Denver Graduate School of Public Affairs
University of Colorado Foundation
University of Denver
University of Denver College of Law
Urban League of Metropolitan Denver
Urban Peak
Volunteers of America
The Webb-Waring Institute for Cancer, Aging and Antioxidant Research
Women’s Bean Project
The Women’s Foundation of Colorado
Yeshiva Toras Chaim
YMCA of Metropolitan Denver
Young Americans Center for Financial Education
Rose Biomedical (RB) is a highly specialized research and development organization that supports Rose Community Foundation’s goal of addressing significant health needs of the community. RB’s mission is to conduct research leading to new medical devices that improve the quality of care and reduce the cost of treatment. Rose Biomedical is a supporting organization of Rose Community Foundation, which provides about 20 percent of its funding; the rest comes from other public and private sources, including the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

“Rose Biomedical’s role is to give good ideas in medicine a place to grow so that health-care practitioners and patients have better, less expensive options for treatment,” says RB Board Chair, Denise Seldon. RB provides resources and clinical expertise to transform these ideas into commercial products.

Over its history, RB and its partners have been awarded 22 significant grants from the NIH. “We look for projects that are scientifically and technologically sound and, equally importantly, have the potential to positively benefit a large number of people,” says RB President Kenneth Weil. Examples of such projects include:

- **Early Detection of Lung Cancer** – Lung cancer is diagnosed in approximately 170,000 new patients per year in the U.S. and, with a 72 percent mortality rate, is the most common cause of cancer deaths in developed countries. RB and the University of Colorado (CU) have formed a partnership to develop and commercialize technology developed by Dr. Dale Lawrence, a professor at CU’s School of Engineering, that may allow earlier detection and more effective treatment of the disease. Because it is highly dexterous and scalable down to very small sizes, the device can access and visualize spaces inside the lung that were previously hidden.

- **Tissue Sealing** – RB continues a partnership with Rocky Mountain Biosystems, Inc. to develop and test its Biofusionary™ technology, a new way to seal human tissue, including skin, blood vessels and organs. The project has already been awarded a $130,000 grant from NIH to research use of the technology following colon surgery, and two more NIH grants are expected by the end of 2004. The device has many potential applications, including quickly closing wounds from surgery, dialysis and trauma.

Approximately a dozen life-saving or life-improving products are in various stages of design, development and testing at RB. Future revenues from licensing and distribution agreements of products developed by RB will provide additional resources for its research programs.

Rose Community Foundation thanks Trustee Stephen Shogan, M.D. for chairing Rose Biomedical from 1997 through 2003.

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**ROSE BIOMEDICAL**

**OFFICERS**
- Stephen H. Shogan, M.D., Chair (through December 2003)
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- Peggy Williams, Executive Assistant/Office Manager
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DIGITAL MEDICAL IMAGING TECHNOLOGY

Purpose: To highlight suspicious areas on X-rays for early detection of breast cancer and other diseases.

Rose Biomedical’s role: Rose Biomedical (RB) and Lockheed Martin Astronautics (LMA) formed a partnership to apply LMA’s target-identification technology, used to help the military identify camouflaged weapons and equipment, to the early detection of breast cancer. Through a company called MiraMedica, RB brought rocket scientists and medical professionals together to develop the breast cancer detection technology. The end result was a clinical trial that demonstrated the ability to find breast cancers earlier.

Recent highlights: According to a Food and Drug Administration (FDA) medical officer, 36,000 cases of missed breast cancer occur each year. A 2003 FDA review of the MiraMedica technology showed that a radiologist could find 39 percent of missed breast cancers nearly 15 months earlier than without using the device. Also in 2003, the project was sold to Eastman Kodak Company, which intends to start distributing the technology to hospitals in 2004. Wido Menhardt, a former MiraMedica vice president who now runs the business for Kodak, says that early response to the product has been “very positive.”

“There were many ups and downs during the 10 years that we worked on this. But we always had the support of Rose Biomedical. It was the one constant thing about the whole project.”

— Jeffrey Levy, M.D., F.A.C.R., a radiologist at Rose Medical Center who was instrumental in developing the technology.
A donor-advised fund of Rose Community Foundation, the volunteer-run Rose Women’s Organization (RWO) traces its lineage to Rose Auxiliary at Rose Medical Center. From its roots as a service-based group for women, RWO has evolved into an organization that awards nearly $100,000 in grants annually to improve the health, education and welfare of women, children and families. RWO has a special interest in mental-health issues and in supporting the Jewish community.

Through a generous arrangement with Rose Medical Center, RWO’s members continue to raise funds by running the hospital’s gift shop. RWO also sells tickets to touring Broadway productions at the Denver Center for Performing Arts. Revenue from these and other fundraising efforts enabled RWO to make grants to 16 organizations in 2003.

Additionally, RWO participated in several community events and special projects, including symposiums about domestic abuse and breast cancer, and a community Hanukah party hosted by Rose Medical Center. RWO was also one of eight participants in the Mental Health Funders Collaborative, which produced a comprehensive report on mental-health issues in Colorado.

With the addition of eight new board members in 2004, RWO will continue its commitment to participating in projects and making grants to improve the lives of those in need.
ROSE WOMEN’S ORGANIZATION 2003 GRANTS

BOULDER COUNTY SAFEHOUSE
$9,000
To support an outreach counseling program for victims of domestic violence.
bouldercountysafehouse.org

COLORADO AGENCY FOR JEWISH EDUCATION (CAJE)
$8,000
To partially fund two early-childhood learning consultants to diagnose children with special needs at Jewish preschools, and for a program evaluation.
caje-co.org

COMMUNITY REACH CENTER
$5,000
To provide group therapy for uninsured and low-income Adams County public-school students.
communityreachcenter.org

THE DENVER CENTER FOR CRIME VICTIMS
$4,000
To support services for young victims and witnesses of crimes.
denvervictims.org

DENVER INSTITUTE FOR JEWISH STUDIES
$2,500
To support a course that helps parents of preschool-age children teach their children about Judaism.

HORIZONS AT COLORADO ACADEMY
$2,000
For a counselor at the Academy’s summer enrichment program.
horizonskidsnational.org/html/colorado.html

HOW TO READ YOUR BABY
$4,500
To support the Partners in Parenting Education (PIPE) program for parents of babies and toddlers.
howtoreadyourbaby.com

HUMANEX ACADEMY
$7,500
To expand counseling services for female students.
humanexedu.org

KARIS COMMUNITY
$5,000
To support chronically mentally ill individuals in developing independent-living skills.
kariscommunity.com

KESHET OF THE ROCKIES
$10,600
To support a speech therapist and a music therapist for this school for Jewish children with special needs.

MARIA DROSTE SERVICES
$12,000
To support the Children First program, which provides onsite counseling to 20 Denver-area schools.
mariadroste.org

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF COLORADO (MHAC)
$15,000
To support a program that provides depression education, prevention and intervention.
mhacolorado.org

MENTAL HEALTH CENTER OF BOULDER COUNTY, INC.
$5,000
To support Chinook Clubhouse, a vocational rehabilitation and skills-training program for individuals with severe mental illness.
chinookclubhouse.org

MIZEL CENTER FOR ARTS AND CULTURE
$2,000
To provide interpretation for hearing-impaired students at a Denver Children’s Theatre production.
mizelcenter.org

PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
$2,400
To support training for health-care providers to identify and refer patients who are victims of domestic abuse.
psr.org

VIOLENCE PREVENTION INSTITUTE – WOMEN’S CRISIS CENTER
$2,000
To provide class materials for participants in S.T.E.P. (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting).
thewomenscrisiscenter.org

Clients at Karis Community, a Rose Women’s Organization grantee, receive counseling while living in a supportive community.
Donor and Endowment Services

Rose Community Foundation offers numerous options to donors, ranging from the simplicity of a one-time gift to support the Foundation's general grantmaking to the more ‘hands-on’ possibilities of a donor-advised fund or supporting organization. Working directly with donors to tailor philanthropic options, the Foundation’s Donor and Endowment Services Department provides stewardship and expertise to help donors make strategic philanthropic decisions and achieve the most meaningful experience from their charitable activities.

Rose Community Foundation’s program staff is also available to assist donors in selecting qualified programs and organizations that match their charitable interests. As a public charity, donors are afforded maximum tax benefits for their charitable gifts. Assets contributed to the Foundation are managed prudently and in compliance with all laws and regulations.

Rose Community Foundation is pleased to be a partner with individuals, families and organizations that wish to make significant contributions to their community. For more information about options for donors, contact the Donor and Endowment Services Department at 303-398-7442.

DONOR SERVICES AND GIFT OPPORTUNITIES

GENERAL SUPPORT GIFTS
Under the guidance of the Board of Trustees, these unrestricted contributions are combined with other Foundation resources to support Rose Community Foundation’s grantmaking for programs and initiatives in the Greater Denver community. Donors interested in supporting a specific area of community life may also designate their gifts to be used solely in one or more of Rose Community Foundation’s program areas.

DONOR-ADVISED FUND
Donors can establish a donor-advised fund at Rose Community Foundation from which charitable distributions may be recommended over an extended period of time. Donor-advised funds are especially advantageous for individuals who are interested in obtaining the substantial tax benefits of a charitable contribution in a particular year, while having the opportunity to support charitable organizations over many years. A donor-advised fund at Rose Community Foundation is a convenient way for a donor to express philanthropic values, involve family members, and accomplish charitable goals while minimizing the costs, regulatory requirements, and administrative burdens typically associated with a private or family foundation.

SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION
A supporting organization operates like a small foundation within Rose Community Foundation’s legal structure, affording donors a high degree of organizational flexibility, direct personal and family participation, and the maximum contribution deduction benefits of a public charity. For many donors or families, it may serve the same philanthropic purpose as a private foundation, while having the advantages of Rose Community Foundation’s administrative, program and investment expertise for operational functions.

DESIGNATED ENDOWMENT FUND
Donors may use this powerful giving strategy to provide a continuous annual revenue stream for a designated community organization in which they have a special interest. Annual earnings from the gift support the selected agency in perpetuity.

FIELD OF INTEREST FUND
These funds provide long-term support for a particular aspect of community life. A donor or group of donors may specify one or more of Rose Community Foundation’s program areas as a field of interest, or choose another category outside the Foundation’s giving priorities but consistent with the overall mission. Rose Community Foundation’s trustees authorize grants to the most appropriate organizations within the donor’s field of interest, unless the donor makes other arrangements when the fund is established.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATIONAL ENDOWMENT FUNDS
A permanent organizational endowment fund makes it convenient for smaller nonprofit organizations in the Greater Denver community to build long-term revenue-producing endowments without the burden and expense of in-house administration. Rose Community Foundation provides administrative, investment and planned-giving expertise. Donations to permanent organizational endowment funds are for the exclusive benefit of the specific organization designated by the donor or donors.
Donor Profile

RLC FOUNDATION
A Donor-Advised Fund of Rose Community Foundation

The family members who run the RLC Foundation model their style of giving after their father’s. “Our father was a very quiet philanthropist,” says the Foundation’s president, explaining why she and her siblings choose to remain anonymous. “If he saw something he liked, he just wrote a check.”

While assuming his style was easy, adopting his method was more difficult. After their father’s death in 2002, three of his children were charged with running the private foundation he had started years earlier. What had been an autocracy was now a democracy, and there were some growing pains. With somewhat open-ended direction from their father “to support young people in the areas of health and education”, the siblings had to find agreement on what that meant, and develop a structure to accomplish it.

One of their decisions in 2003 was to bring a portion of the fund to Rose Community Foundation, in part because of its grantmaking expertise in the fields of education and health. Rose Community Foundation’s program staff now recommends grantees to the RLC Foundation, while Rose Community Foundation’s Donor Services Department handles administrative tasks. “The grant advice we’ve received has been fabulous,” says RLC’s president. “And I don’t think we’d be near as productive if we had to do all of the administration.”

At its quarterly meeting in January 2004, the second-generation RLC Foundation made its first grants to support children and young people. While the grants were made quietly, the family’s goal is to make an impact that will echo throughout children’s entire lives.

Denver Kids, Inc., an RLC Foundation grantee, helps Denver Public School students successfully graduate from high school. In 2004, RLC Foundation has also supported Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado, Colorado I Have a Dream Foundation, and the University of Denver Bridge Project.
# Donor Funds

A donor-advised fund is a vehicle for donors interested in providing charitable support for qualified services, programs and organizations. Donors’ recommendations for charitable gifts from their individual funds are reviewed to ensure consistency with the mission of the Foundation and compliance with IRS guidelines. Donors benefit from professional fund management, maximum tax benefits, and the opportunity to involve family members in their charitable activities. A supporting organization has its own board, mission and grantmaking program, while the host community foundation provides financial management, grant administration and professional consultation.

## ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION DONOR-ADvised FUNDS AND SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS

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The Adoption Exchange
Allied Jewish Federation of Colorado
ALYN American Society for Handicapped Children in Israel
Alzheimer's Association, Rocky Mountain Chapter
AMC Cancer Research Center
American Diabetes Association
American Health Assistance Foundation, Macular Degeneration Research
American Heart Association Desert/Mountain Affiliate
American Institute for Cancer Research
American Kidney Fund
American Red Cross, Mile High Chapter
Anti-Defamation League, Mountain States Region
Arthritis Foundation - Rocky Mountain Chapter
Aspen Valley Ski/Snowboard Club
Barbara Sinatra Children's Center
Bixby School
Boulder Jewish Community Foundation
Boulder Jewish Day School
Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver
Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix
The Breast Cancer Fund
Capitol Hill Community Services
CARE
Central City Opera
Cherry Hills, Palmer Scholarship Foundation, Inc.
Children's Diabetes Foundation
The Children's Hospital Foundation
CLAL - The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership
Colorado Agency for Jewish Education (CAJE)
Colorado Neurological Institute
Colorado Nonprofit Development Center (The Center)
Colorado Symphony Association
Colorado UpLIFT
Community Action Project of Tulsa County
Community Help & Abuse Information (CHAI)
COMPA Food Ministry
Congregation Emanuel of Denver
Congregation Oheb Shalom
Congregation Rodef Shalom
Cornell University
Council for Jews with Special Needs
Craig Hospital
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
Dartmouth College
Denver Art Museum
Denver Botanic Gardens
The Denver Campus for Jewish Education
Denver Museum of Nature & Science
Denver Rescue Mission
The Denver Waldorf School
Denver Zoological Foundation
Dumb Friends League
Easter Seals Colorado
Evans Scholars Foundation
Global Fund for Women
Gore Range Natural Science School
Hadassah - Denver Chapter
Harvard Business School
Hillel of Colorado
Hospice of Metro Denver
Hospice of the Valley
The Jewish Braille Institute of America
Jewish Chautauqua Society
Jewish Family Service of Colorado
Jewish Women International
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National Osteoporosis Foundation
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Rocky Mountain Jewish Historical Society and Beck Archives
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The Salvation Army in Metro Denver
Samaritan Counseling Center of Denver
The Santa Fe Opera
Scottsdale Cultural Council
Sea Turtle, Inc.
Shalom Park
Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center
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Sk & Snowboard Club Vail
Special Olympics Colorado
Stagebrush Theatre
Stanford University
Temple Beth Israel
United States Holocaust Memorial Museum
United States Olympic Committee
University of Denver
University of Denver College of Law
University of Denver Graduate School of International Studies
U.S. Fund for UNICEF Denver Chapter
The Vail Religious Foundation
Vincentian Center for Spirituality & Work
Volunteers of America
Wasatch Academy
The Webb-Waring Institute for Cancer, Aging and Antioxidant Research
World Jewish Congress - American Section
World Union for Progressive Judaism
World Wildlife Fund
The Youth Foundation
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Rose Community Foundation uses its resources to enhance the health and well-being of the Greater Denver community. The Foundation is grateful to the many donors and friends who gave their financial support in 2003.

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Guidelines for Grant Proposals

Rose Community Foundation’s Guidelines for Grant Proposals is our invitation to partner with organizations and people who share our vision of a vibrant and healthy community. The majority of the Foundation’s grantees are nonprofit organizations, but grants are also made to schools, government agencies, and to other foundations working on projects of mutual concern. This abbreviated version of the Foundation’s grant guidelines provides an overview of our grantmaking. From time to time, the Foundation revises its priorities. Before applying, grant seekers should consult the complete Guidelines for Grant Proposals, available by calling 303-398-7400 or at rcfdenver.org. The online version will be the most current.

ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION’S GRANTMAKING PROGRAM

Rose Community Foundation awards grants to organizations, projects and initiatives within the following program areas: Aging, Child and Family Development, Education, Health and Jewish Life. In all areas, the highest priority is to support beneficial change in systems affecting the lives of many people. On a limited basis, the Foundation may also consider grants addressing its core values: civil rights and nondiscrimination; strengthening the nonprofit sector; and promoting civic discourse.

ELIGIBILITY

Rose Community Foundation funds programs serving the seven-county Greater Denver area: Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson Counties. Applicants should be either a charitable nonprofit organization or a tax-supported institution such as a school or government agency. New or emerging organizations may apply through a fiscal sponsor. Applicants may have only one proposal pending at any given time. Capital requests must adhere to a specified format. See the complete Guidelines for Grant Proposals for submission format and content specifications.

The Foundation will generally not support:
• grants to individuals or endowments, including academic chairs;
• grants to one organization to be passed to another;
• annual appeals or membership drives;
• fundraising events; or
• financial support for political candidates.

DEADLINES AND RESPONSE TIME

Rose Community Foundation does not have submission deadlines. Foundation staff review proposals as they are received, and may request additional information or arrange a site visit.

AGING PROGRAM PRIORITIES

Rose Community Foundation’s Aging program area promotes change in how communities organize care and support for both seniors and caregivers, with particular attention to the needs of low- and moderate-income seniors. The following priorities receive highest consideration:
• direct in-home and community-based services;
• transportation;
• end-of-life care.

CHILD AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PRIORITIES

Rose Community Foundation’s Child and Family Development program area supports the healthy development of children and youth, and the economic self-sufficiency of families. The highest consideration is given to programs focused on:
• early childhood development, especially parent-education programs and high-quality early-childhood education; and
• family self-sufficiency, including employment training and family-support services.

EDUCATION PROGRAM PRIORITIES

Rose Community Foundation will consider proposals for programs that lead to improved student achievement for pre-kindergarten through grade 12. The Foundation’s highest priorities in Education include:
• quality teaching, including professional development of teachers, innovative teacher-training programs, and elevating teaching standards; and
• systemic change in individual schools and throughout public education, such as school- restructuring efforts, standards-based education implementation, school board effectiveness and other school-reform initiatives.

HEALTH PROGRAM PRIORITIES

Rose Community Foundation supports efforts that improve access to affordable health care and health-care coverage, and those that help create a better coordinated health-care system. The Foundation’s highest priorities in Health are:
• primary prevention, especially efforts to reduce the risk of disease and injury;
• access to health-insurance coverage, health care and mental-health services for low-income children and youth; and
• health-policy leadership development.

JEWISH LIFE PROGRAM PRIORITIES

Rose Community Foundation’s Jewish Life program focuses on strengthening and supporting a strong and dynamic Jewish community in the Greater Denver area. The program’s highest priorities include:
• outreach to unconnected Jews;
• experiences that promote Jewish growth, including lifelong learning;
• organizational development and institutional capacity-building; and
• leadership development.

SUBMITTING PROPOSALS

For complete instructions on proposal content and format, consult Rose Community Foundation’s Guidelines for Grant Proposals or visit rcfdenver.org.
# Combined Statements of Financial Position

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<tr>
<th>ASSETS</th>
<th>2003</th>
<th>2002</th>
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<tr>
<td>Cash and cash equivalents</td>
<td>$3,009,000</td>
<td>$4,457,000</td>
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<td>Investments</td>
<td>234,371,000</td>
<td>196,629,000</td>
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<td>Receivables and other</td>
<td>362,000</td>
<td>628,000</td>
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<td>Note receivable</td>
<td>101,000</td>
<td>148,000</td>
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<td>Furniture, equipment and leasehold improvements, net</td>
<td>192,000</td>
<td>186,000</td>
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<td><strong>Total assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>$238,035,000</strong></td>
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<th>LIABILITIES</th>
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<td>Accounts payable and accrued expenses</td>
<td>$556,000</td>
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<td>Grants payable</td>
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<td><strong>Total liabilities</strong></td>
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# Combined Statements of Activities

**For the Year Ended December 31, 2003**

## Revenue, Gains (Losses) and Other Support

### Interest, dividends, and other income

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<td>–</td>
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<td>44,616,000</td>
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<td>Investment management expenses</td>
<td>(1,140,000)</td>
<td>–</td>
<td>–</td>
<td>(1,140,000)</td>
<td>(1,316,000)</td>
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<td>Net investment income (loss)</td>
<td>43,401,000</td>
<td>75,000</td>
<td>–</td>
<td>43,476,000</td>
<td>(38,668,000)</td>
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<td>Contributions</td>
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<td>743,000</td>
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<td>2,018,000</td>
<td>3,764,000</td>
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<td>Net assets released from restrictions resulting from satisfaction of program restrictions</td>
<td>1,057,000</td>
<td>(1,057,000)</td>
<td>–</td>
<td>–</td>
<td>–</td>
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<td></td>
<td>45,733,000</td>
<td>(239,000)</td>
<td>–</td>
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## Expenses

### Grants

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<td>Grants</td>
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<td>7,746,000</td>
<td>21,429,000</td>
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<td>Program expenses</td>
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<td>Donor services expenses</td>
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<td>–</td>
<td>–</td>
<td>202,000</td>
<td>195,000</td>
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<td>Administrative expenses</td>
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<td>–</td>
<td>–</td>
<td>1,202,000</td>
<td>939,000</td>
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<td>10,797,000</td>
<td>–</td>
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## Change in Net Assets

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<td>Change in net assets</td>
<td>34,936,000</td>
<td>(239,000)</td>
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<td>34,697,000</td>
<td>(58,961,000)</td>
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<td>Net assets, beginning of year</td>
<td>171,106,000</td>
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<td>232,629,000</td>
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<td>Net assets, end of year</td>
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*– for comparative purposes only

Rose Community Foundation's complete audited financial statements may be requested by calling 303-398-7431.
Board of Trustees

Rose Community Foundation is governed by its Board of Trustees, a committed group of volunteer leaders. The trustees set Foundation policy, serve on committees and are actively involved in reviewing funding requests and managing the Foundation's assets.

Front row (l – r): Martin H. Shore, Steven W. Farber, (Chair through December 2003), Phillip S. Figa (through December 2003), Robert A. Silverberg

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Rose Community Foundation receives guidance and direction from its committees, which are comprised of trustees and volunteer community leaders with specialized expertise.

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Sheila Bugdanowitz, Katherine Peck and Lynda Ricketson also provide staff support to committees.
ROSE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION STAFF 2003-2004

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Juanita Atkins, Accounting Assistant

Terry Caddell, Program Assistant/Receptionist

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Grants Manager (as of June 2004)

Therese Ellery, Program Officer

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WORKPLACE GIVING PROGRAM

In 2003, Rose Community Foundation made two grants totaling $6,742 through its Workplace Giving program.

- $5,000 was awarded to support Curtis Park Community Center’s child-care program. The program is free to homeless families, and enables parents of infants and preschoolers to look for work while their children learn. This grant also made the organization eligible to receive a significantly larger grant from another foundation. [curtispark.org](http://curtispark.org)

- The Gathering Place, Denver’s only daytime drop-in center for homeless women and children, received $1,742. The agency provides day care and employment services, and more essential support such as food, hygiene supplies, bath and laundry facilities and bus tokens. This grant was used for the meals program. [agatheringplace.org](http://agatheringplace.org)

The Foundation matches contributions made by its employees to the Workplace Giving Fund. A volunteer committee of Foundation staff then determines how the Fund will be distributed. In 2003, the committee decided to support agencies that provide basic services to homeless families.
Rose Community Foundation works to enhance the quality of life of the Greater Denver community through its leadership, resources, traditions and values.

We value our Jewish heritage and our roots in Jewish traditions including charity, philanthropy and nondiscrimination. We value excellence and uphold the highest standards in the pursuit of our mission. We value the trust and respect of the community and continually strive to earn and sustain that trust by consistent and disciplined adherence to our mission.

Rose Community Foundation’s support for the Greater Denver community is focused in five program areas: Aging, Child and Family Development, Education, Health and Jewish Life. In addition to grantmaking, the Foundation’s donor services department is available to assist individuals and families in their philanthropic activities.