

## RECENT RECIPIENTS

### Education & Youth

Healing Play - Fairy Wonderland Park  
Prescott High School - senior scholarship  
Freedom Park - children's programming

### Recreation

Prescott Fastpitch - field improvements  
Prescott Schools/Freedom Park - trail map

### Community Building

Prescott Police - safety shields  
Prescott Community Garden - supplies  
Prescott Fire - nursing home breakfasts  
Turningpoint - emergency funding  
Prescott Food Pantry - emergency funding  
Secret Santa Program - holiday gifting  
Freedom Park - goats for prairie restoration  
Prescott Fire - gear and equipment

## FINANCIAL REPORT

### JULY 1, 2019 - JUNE 30, 2020

#### FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance (6/30/20)	\$311,906.75
Beginning Funds (7/1/19)	\$226,159.09
Increase	\$65,747.66

#### OPERATIONS

REVENUE	
Contributions*	\$94,001.46
Investment Gain (Net Expenses)	\$ (5,780.08)
Total Revenue	\$88,221.38

EXPENDITURES	
Grants	\$13,798.00
Expenses (including golf & fundraising)	\$8,675.72
Total Expenditures	\$22,473.72

<u>NET INCREASE</u>	<u>\$ 65,747.66</u>
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*\* Of the \$94,000 in contributions, \$53,000 is from the "Together We Are Stronger" fundraising drive with the St. Croix Valley Foundation. Only 6.5% is expendable each year to the Prescott Foundation, with specific criteria for granting these assets.*

## A Message from our Foundation President

2020 needs some good news! It is my honor and pleasure to share with you the good news from the Prescott Foundation in the past year. It is out of the generosity of the Prescott community and donors that we are allowed to celebrate, even during this time.

I am proud of the grants that we were able to support this year. They hit a wide range of recipients which include granting to the Prescott School District for educational programming and advancements to Biggs Frey Memorial Field at Jackie Riley Softball Complex. In addition, we steadfastly contributed to the overall well-being of our community with support to the Prescott Police Department, Turningpoint, Prescott Fire Department, our local nursing home, and Secret Santa initiatives. The Great River Road Visitor and Learning Center at Freedom Park continues to be a priority for the Prescott Foundation as well. Over the last several months we've collaboratively aligned and expanded our partnership, vision, and goals of enhancements for the nature and trail system in and around the Prescott community.

Our newly founded and funded "Together We Are Stronger" campaign with our partner, the St. Croix Valley Foundation, has been a successful endeavor for the Prescott Foundation. No one could predict that we would be presented with a nationwide pandemic. However, our participation in this campaign gave us additional funds to grant monies swiftly to local organizations, such as the Prescott Food Pantry, who suffered and needed assets in such unpredictable times when their funding was lost.

This year our board also worked hard to improve and hone in our granting structures and procedures, financial reporting, and fiscal responsibility to ensure that the Foundation is financially healthy and can be sustained for many years. We did so with our own adjustments in learning to function via zoom meetings and virtual environments. In addition, our 23<sup>rd</sup> annual golf tournament was "one for the books" and we couldn't be happier at the support we received! Thank you to all who came out despite the many conditions!

While we all navigate together through this interesting reality (socially distanced, of course), the core value of the Prescott Foundation rings louder than ever – "Building a Better Community." It is with your graciousness and generosity that we are able to meet this value each and every year – even in the midst of a crisis.

On behalf of the entire Prescott Foundation Board of Trustees, we sincerely hope that you and your families are well, and we thank you for your continued support of the Prescott Foundation.

~ Mandy Matzek

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# BUILDING A BETTER COMMUNITY

## Prescott Foundation

## 2019 ANNUAL REPORT 2020

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It was a year where we were thankful and humbled that we could step up to help our community remain strong by supporting local organizations that provide direct support and those that bring our community together. Our first action after the shut-downs began was to reach out to our local organizations and respond with funding where it was most needed for those affected by the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Prescott Area Food Pantry was experiencing a dramatic increase in residents seeking help, at the same time as donations decreased and fundraising options became limited. We provided emergency funding to help meet community needs. We also provided emergency funds to the Turningpoint shelter in Pierce County when their usual sources of income evaporated. And we helped the volunteer-run Prescott Fire Department bridge the loss of usual fundraising efforts.

Thanks to our partnership with the St. Croix Valley Foundation, we were also able to connect the Food Pantry to additional financial help. The St. Croix Valley Foundation created the Covid-19 Response Fund this spring in conjunction with local United Way chapters. They jumped into action to grant over a half million dollars to organizations throughout the Valley who were coping with the effects of Covid-19, with another half million dollar granting cycle currently underway. Donations went to the Prescott Food Pantry, as well as to our local Salvation Army chapter, the county food shelf, Have a Heart, and several other organizations that provide food and shelter for those in need.

The heart of a community foundation is a mission to build a better community. While our emergency funding exemplifies that mission, we also donated to community projects before and during the Covid-19 crisis that help to strengthen our community in other ways. These included grants to Prescott Fastpitch for field improvements, the Secret Santa holiday program, safety equipment for the police department, the Fairy Wonderland Park project, and the community garden. Read on to learn about some of the grant recipients and check out [prescottfoundation.com](http://prescottfoundation.com) for previous reports.

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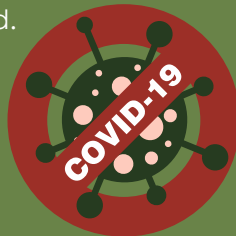
## GOATS FOR HIRE

Did you get a chance to see the goats doing their magic at Freedom Park in October? We helped fund them as part of the restoration effort of the globally rare bluff prairie and oak savanna. Almost 50 goats arrived energized to take on the invasive plants, and they did an incredible job while also entertaining community residents. The goats were fast, eco-friendly, and could handle the steep terrain. A side benefit is an improved view of the incredible river valley! More work needs to be done in the spring, so watch for your chance to donate towards the next group of goats for hire.



## Covid Crisis Help

As jobs disappeared or hours dwindled during the Covid-19 crisis, the Prescott Area Food Pantry saw a dramatic increase in requests for help while also losing fundraising options. We provided emergency funding to help fund the gap and also helped make connections to other funding sources. We also provided emergency funding to the Turningpoint shelter in Pierce County when their usual sources of income evaporated. We also helped the volunteer-run Prescott Fire Department bridge the loss of usual fundraising efforts for gear and equipment not in the tax-supported budget.



## HITTING THE TRAILS

In the near future, the Prescott community will be able to hit the trails by the new high school on foot, by bike, or on skis and snowshoes! The school district is working closely with Friends of Freedom Park to create over four miles of multi-use recreational trails, including an ADA accessible trail. The Foundation helped fund the initial step of creating the trail map, which considers the topography and habitat to create an ecologically sensitive set of trails that is not only enjoyable, but safe and sustainable. Get ready to get moving!

## PRODUCE FOR THE COMMUNITY

The Prescott Community Garden took on a new importance this summer, as the produce helped to support the increase in Food Pantry recipients. Thanks to a grant from us for supplies, and a crew of 20 socially distanced volunteers who prepped garden beds, planted, weeded, watered and harvested, they were able to make weekly deliveries to the Food Pantry. Recipients benefitted from beets, potatoes, broccoli, cauliflower, peas, green beans, onions, peppers, herbs and tomatoes.



## Equipment for the Police Department

We are proud to support the Prescott police officers who keep our community and schools safe by funding ballistic safety shields. The shields, recommended by national and state organizations, are life-saving equipment that will allow officers to more quickly respond to an active shooter at a school or other dangerous situations without the need to wait for backup. This is one of the only grants we have funded that we hope never gets used!

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