

# Curry County & Del Norte County Impact Report 2023



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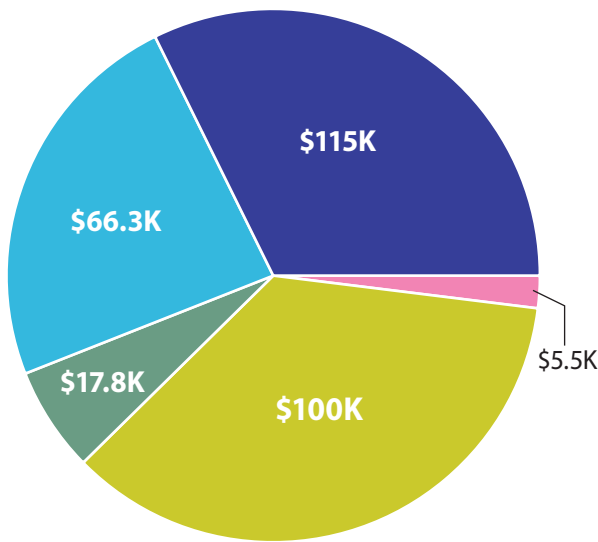
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## Our Impact: Building Thriving Communities Together

For five decades, the Humboldt Area Foundation—joined by the Wild Rivers Community Foundation in 2004—has proudly served the counties of Humboldt, Trinity and Del Norte in California, Curry County in Southern Oregon, and the unceded lands of many Indigenous peoples. Today, the Foundation acts as a single entity with a generational vision of a thriving, just and equitable region and decade-long goals of supporting Racial Equity, Thriving Youth and Families, Healthy Ecosystems and Environments, and a Just Economy and Economic Development.

In 2023, over \$1.22 million was deployed to Del Norte and Curry Counties in the northernmost area of our service region through a variety of grantmaking programs and strategic projects. This includes grants and scholarships from funds established by individuals, families and businesses to support their local community, annual programs such as the Summer Youth Partnership and Holiday Funding Partnership, as well as funding from Foundation’s initiatives such as the Disaster Response & Resilience Fund, CORE Hub, Missing & Murdered Indigenous People’s Fund, and strategic grants program.

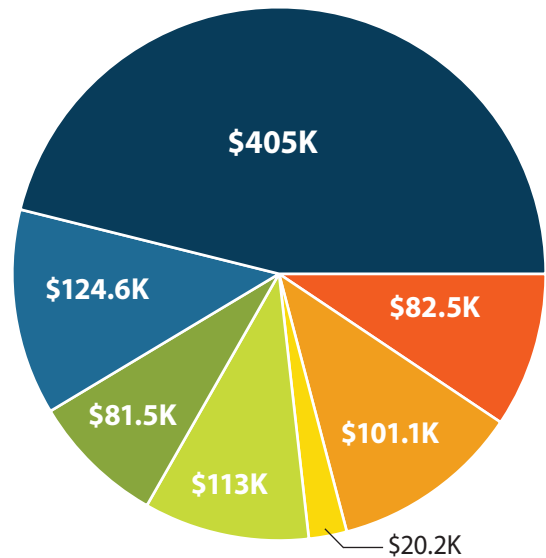
### Grantmaking Curry County



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| ■ Strategy Grants                       | \$115,090 |
| ■ Disaster Recovery & Resilience Fund   | \$66,380  |
| ■ Other grants*                         | \$17,892  |
| ■ Organizational Fund Withdrawals       | \$100,000 |
| ■ Grants & Scholarships from WRCF Funds | \$5,500   |

\*Includes grants and awards from the Holiday Funding Partnership and the Summer Youth Program.

### Grantmaking Del Norte County



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| ■ CORE Hub   | \$405,000 |
| ■ Strategy Grants  | \$124,853 |
| ■ Disaster Recovery & Resilience Fund  | \$81,500  |
| ■ Other grants*  | \$113,154 |
| ■ Organizational Fund Withdrawals  | \$20,245  |
| ■ Grants & Scholarships from WRCF Funds  | \$101,110 |
| ■ Grants from Pacific Redwoods Missing & Murdered Indigenous People Crisis Action Fund | \$82,500  |

\*Includes grants and awards from scholarship, donor-advised, and field-of-interest funds established by donors outside Del Norte County, grants from the Native Cultures Fund, Holiday Funding Partnership, and Summer Youth Program.



# Beyond Grantmaking

Beyond supporting the philanthropy of our donors and our grantmaking, we've invested time and people power through community partnerships to make strategic investments in Curry and Del Norte counties and overlapping Tribal lands.

- ❖ Supported Del Norte and Curry students in accessing scholarships for their education and career goals, including hosting a scholarship counselor's meeting with counselors from local high schools alongside other counselors in the region, conducting outreach to promote scholarship funds for local students, and offering application demonstrations, education and support for local CalSOAP leaders to be support their students.
- ❖ Attended and collaborated with various community networks, including the United Way of Southwest Oregon's South Coast Social Services Connect, Curry County COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster), and the Curry County Community Based Organizations - Oregon Health Authority collaborative group.
- ❖ Attended South Coast Equity Coalition's Diversity Conference in North Bend.
- ❖ Provided coordination and facilitation support for community organizations and government officials in the development of warming centers in response to severe winter weather.
- ❖ Activated the Community Response Team for disaster response during the extreme wildfire season of 2023, which included numerous Curry County nonprofits stepping up in support of their neighbors in Del Norte impacted by the Smith River Complex Fires, in addition to needs associated with the Flat, O'Brien, and Anvil Fires in Curry County.
- ❖ Attended public comment meetings in Coos Bay, Gold Beach, and Brookings hosted by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management on offshore wind development proposals for the South Coast of Oregon.
- ❖ Met with over 30 nonprofit, direct service organization, and county government leaders to listen, learn about, and discuss a variety of community needs. This included a dozen site visits to community organizations for collaboration, strategy grant proposal consideration and listening sessions.
- ❖ Learned about the costs and disproportionate racialized impacts of incarceration, as well as the benefits of higher education for incarcerated individuals and the wider community. This culminated in a strategy grant for a Bachelor of Arts program inside Pelican Bay State Prison, developed and taught by staff and faculty at Cal Poly Humboldt University.



## Grantee Spotlight: South Coast Equity Coalition

A HAF+WRCF grant helped support SCEC, a BIPOC and queer-led coalition building on inherent community strengths to increase health equity for communities of color and those living at the intersection of race/ethnicity and other marginalized identities. SCEC, part of the Oregon Health Authority's Regional Health Equity Coalitions program, now hosts two monthly spaces for community led peer learning, education, sharing and advocacy. HAF+WRCF also sponsored SCEC's annual diversity conference in April, which included expert speakers on a variety of topics, including disability justice and the Indian Child Welfare Act. More at [southcoastequity.org](https://southcoastequity.org).

# Our Grantees

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## DEL NORTE COUNTY

Bicoastal Media  
Big Rock Community Services District  
California Tribal TANF Partnership - Del Norte  
Cal Poly Humboldt Sponsored Programs Foundation  
CASA of Del Norte  
City of Crescent City  
Coastal Home Health & Hospice  
Crescent City Del Norte County Chamber  
Of Commerce  
Del Norte & Tribal Lands Community Food Council  
Del Norte Child Care Council  
Del Norte County Sheriff's Department  
Del Norte County Sheriff's Search & Rescue  
Del Norte County Unified School District  
Del Norte High School  
Del Norte Library Foundation  
Del Norte Little League  
Elk Valley Rancheria  
Family Resource Center of the Redwoods  
For All Time Cat Haven  
Hmong Cultural Center of Del Norte County  
Humane Society of Del Norte  
Kee Cha-E-Nar Corporation  
Lighthouse Quilt Guild  
Lighthouse Repertory Theatre  
Northcoast Marine Mammal Center  
Open Door Community Health Centers -  
Crescent City  
Our Daily Bread Ministries  
Redwood Parks Conservancy  
Redwoods Family Worship Center  
Resighini Rancheria

Rowdy Creek Fish Hatchery  
Rural Human Services  
Smith River Alliance  
Smith River Elementary School  
Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation  
True North Organizing Network  
United Indian Health Services  
Yurok Tribe

## CURRY COUNTY

Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks #1934  
Brookings Harbor Community Helpers, Inc.  
(DBA: Brookings Harbor Food Bank)  
Brookings CORE Response  
Brookings-Harbor Education Foundation  
Brookings Church of the Nazarene  
Chetco Activity Center  
Curry Child Abuse Intervention Center -  
Wally's House  
Curry County COAD  
Curry Homeless Coalition  
Curry Public Library District  
Friends of North Coast Fish, Inc.  
Gold Beach Rotary Foundation  
HIV Alliance  
Northwest American Indian Coalition, Inc.  
Oasis Advocacy & Shelter, Inc.  
Port Orford Public Library Foundation  
Safety City c/o Brookings Police Department  
South Coast Equity Alliance  
St. Timothy's Episcopal Church  
The Common Good, Inc.  
Toys for Tots - Marine Corps League #578

## Thank You for Your Support!

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