



Panhandle State Bank
and its locally operated divisions
Intermountain Community Bank
Magic Valley Bank



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The Community Focus Trust Announces Grant Winners

(Spokane, WA) Twelve local charities were selected to receive grants from the Community Focus Trust, says fund trustee Dale Schuman. The grants will range from \$2,600 to \$45,000 annually, and may be renewed for up to five years.

\$1.5 million will be distributed by the time the Fund sunsets in 2016. The Community Focus Trust represents the estate of an anonymous donor and Sandpoint resident who directed the Trust & Investment Services Department of Panhandle State Bank to disburse funds according to her philanthropic priorities. Those included caring for human and animal victims of hardship and neglect. The donor preferred that funds be allocated to local charities selected from North Idaho and Eastern Washington.

The winning non-profits agencies are:

- [Bonner Community Food Center](#)
- [Boys & Girls Clubs of Spokane](#)
- [Our Place Community Ministries](#)
- [Post Falls Food Bank](#)
- [St. Maries Volunteer Community Clinic](#)
- [Shoshone County Women's Resource Center](#)
- [Priest River Animal Rescue.](#)
- [Whitman County Humane Society](#)
- [St. Vincent de Paul Salvage Bureau](#)
- [Transitional Programs for Women dba Transitions](#)
- [Vanessa Behan Crisis Nursery](#)
- [Women's Center, Inc.](#)

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“This grant means our treasurer can sleep at night,” said Priest River Animal Rescue volunteer Barbi Johnson at the awards ceremony. Johnson was on the team that wrote their successful application.

All of the winners were recognized at a ceremony at the Valley Branch of Intermountain Community Bank. The event’s headliners, Shelly Monahan and Dave Cotton of KHQ, invited each recipient to talk about what the grant would mean to their organization.

Inland Northwest Community Foundation (INWCF) assisted the bank with soliciting proposals and screening applications. "We are honored to have been invited to work closely with Panhandle State Bank for the benefit of our community and to carry out the donor's legacy," says Mark Hurtubise, President & CEO of INWCF. "We look forward to the positive impact these grants will have on North Idaho and Eastern Washington."

Schuman says, “We are hopeful that the example set by this donor will inspire others to remember that their life's work can and should include provision for helping others.”

About Inland Northwest Community Foundation

Founded in 1974, INWCF serves 10 Eastern Washington counties and 10 North Idaho counties to foster vibrant and sustainable communities in the Inland Northwest. The community foundation currently manages 290 funds valued at more than \$57 million and has awarded \$37 million in grants and scholarships since its inception, positively impacting thousands of lives in this region.

For more information on INWCF and its work in the Inland Northwest, contact PJ Watters, Director of Gift Planning at 509-624-2606.

About Intermountain Community Bancorp

Intermountain is headquartered in Sandpoint, Idaho, and operates as four separate divisions with eighteen banking locations in three states. Its banking subsidiary, Panhandle State Bank, offers financial services through offices in Sandpoint, Ponderay, Bonners Ferry, Priest River, Coeur d’Alene, Post Falls, Kellogg and Rathdrum in northern Idaho. Intermountain Community Bank, a division of Panhandle State Bank, operates branches in southwest Idaho in Weiser, Fruitland, Payette, Nampa and Caldwell as well as in Ontario, Oregon. Intermountain Community Bank Washington, a division of Panhandle State Bank, now has two locations in the Spokane area in Washington. Magic Valley Bank, a division of Panhandle State Bank, operates branches in Twin Falls and Gooding, Idaho.

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