

GRANTMAKING OVERVIEW



WHO WE ARE

For 80 years, Gates Family Foundation has partnered with communities across Colorado to help build a more equitable, resilient, and sustainable future. Deeply rooted in the state, **the Foundation invests in people, places, natural resources, and civic institutions that strengthen communities and create opportunity for future generations.** Guided by values of **respect, creativity, engagement, place, and equity**, the Foundation works alongside communities to expand opportunity across Colorado.

Through listening, learning, convening, and investing alongside local leaders, the Foundation supports community-driven solutions that strengthen communities today and for the future. Guided by trust, learning, innovation, and a commitment to helping communities shape their own futures, the Foundation works as a collaborative partner in creating lasting impact across Colorado.

This work includes a focus on **responsive capital and strategic grantmaking** across four core focus areas: **Community Development, Informed Communities, Natural Resources, and Public Education.** Together, these investments expand pathways to economic opportunity, strengthen access to trusted information, steward Colorado's lands and waters, and support great teaching and student success.



By investing in both the conditions and the systems that help communities thrive, the Foundation seeks to create lasting benefits for Colorado today and for generations to come.

OUR MISSION

We work with partners and communities to build a more **equitable, resilient, and sustainable** Colorado for all

OUR VISION

A vibrant and verdant Colorado where **all people and communities** thrive.

OUR FOCUS AREAS



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Community Opportunity



INFORMED COMMUNITIES

Trusted Information



NATURAL RESOURCES

Resilient Lands & Waters



PUBLIC EDUCATION

Great Teaching



RESPONSIVE CAPITAL

Community Assets

PARTNER CENTERED | SYSTEMS-FOCUSED | COLLABORATIVE

OUR APPROACH



INITIATED GRANTS



CAPITAL GRANTS



MISSION-RELATED INVESTMENTS



PROGRAM-RELATED INVESTMENTS



CIVIC LEADERSHIP AND POLICY



CONVENING & KNOWLEDGE SHARING



INCUBATION OF IDEAS



LEVERAGE AND PARTNERSHIP



TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR GRANTEEES

FINANCIAL

NON-FINANCIAL



Foundation Resources to Support an **Equitable, Resilient, Sustainable Colorado**



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