



## Legislation Text

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### Quality Community Foundation Grant Awards Recognition

#### **Summary and Background Information :**

In 2003, City Council formed the Non-City Agency Grant Program to financially contribute to non-profit organizations that augment City services and render assistance to Commerce City residents. After the program gained momentum, and in an effort to avoid perceived conflict of interests among council members, the Quality Community Foundation (QCF) was established as a nonprofit in 2006 for charitable purposes. The nonprofit grant program - funding for which is annually appropriated by city council - is one of three programs implemented by the Foundation to achieve their mission and objectives.

Since 2011, program funds have served more than 232,000 Commerce City residents. The competitive 2018 grant cycle yielded 30 submissions with funding requests totaling nearly \$200,000. Based on established criteria, the Foundation awarded \$136,325 to 27 nonprofit organizations for a variety of community services that are projected to serve nearly 39,000 residents this year:

- A Precious Child Inc.
- Access Housing of Adams County
- Adams 14 After School Program
- Adams 14 Education Foundation
- Adams County Emergency Food Bank
- Adams County Youth Initiative
- Adelante Community Development
- Almost Home
- Audio Information Network of Colorado
- Brothers Redevelopment Inc.
- CASA of Adams & Broomfield Counties
- Catholic Charities
- Commerce City Cultural Council
- Commerce City Historical Society
- Community Uplift Partnership
- Environmental Learning for Kids
- F.I.S.H.
- Food Bank of the Rockies
- Inspire
- Joyful Journeys Community Enrichment
- Junior Achievement, Rocky Mountain Inc.
- Kids First Health Care
- Mercy Housing Mountain Plains -Holly Park
- Project Angel Heart
- Ralston House
- St Anthony North
- The Senior Hub

The Foundation also will provide additional training programs to assist in building the future capacity of local nonprofit organizations. The attached memo provides further information on the Foundation's process and recipients.

**Staff Responsible (Department Head )** Director of External Affairs Halstead

**Staff Member Presenting :** Jennifer Prather, Quality Community Foundation president

**Financial Impact :** \$140,000

**Funding Source :** General Fund, distributed through the Foundation

**Staff Recommendation :** The foundation would like the council to help recognize the awarded non-profit organizations and take a group photo.

**Suggested Motion :** No motion necessary