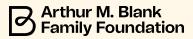


Associate-Led Giving Committees

2023 Recap



Our Network

Blank Family of Businesses

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Our Funds

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The Purpose

Overview

Our associate-led giving committees are designed to engage associates to live our Core Values and to weave philanthropy into the fabric of the Blank Family of Businesses. Associates who serve on committees have the opportunity to inform funding priorities, evaluate grant applications, conduct site visits and monitor the impact of their grants.



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Letter From Arthur M. Blank

It is with great pride and joy that we continue to see our family foundation's associateled committees expand and evolve. These meaningful committees began more than 20 years ago in Montana as a way for associates to positively impact the local communities and organizations they care about. This initiative, now called the AMB West Community Fund, has evolved into additional committees operating across the Blank Family of Businesses (BFOB) and has encouraged more than \$8 million in grants in 2023.

I am grateful to the committee members, made up of BFOB associates, who volunteer their time outside of their regular jobs with the goal of making a positive impact on the lives of others, and the foundation staff who guide these committees to success. From building soccer pitches and youth golf programs to supporting veterans to conserving marine life, they are actively involved in our philanthropic efforts.

The associate-led giving committees are one of the best examples of our Core Values in action, and our associates are the drivers of meaningful change. As we continue to accelerate our philanthropy, I'm excited to see the positive impact our empowered associates will continue to make in 2024. Thank you to all who have dedicated the time and care toward these important causes.

Arthur M. Blank



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Committee participation is open to all AMB West associates. The grantmaking is seasonal, with associates focused on grantmaking in the winter months and early spring, outside of "the guest season."

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Guiding Theme:

The mission of the AMB West Community Fund is to enhance the quality of life for residents of Montana, particularly in Park and Gallatin counties and indigenous communities across the state.

Recent Highlights:

\$150,000 total over three years to the Human Resource Development Council of District IX, Inc. (HRDC) to support hiring a Park County housing coalition manager. The Park County Housing Coalition (PCHC) establishes local housing capacity and fills gaps in local coordination needed to bring stakeholders together towards robust community-based housing solutions, including preservation, aligning local housing needs, and creating new homes affordable to residents of Park County.

\$70,000 total over two years to Fort Peck Community College for First Voices. The First Voices project engages Fort Peck Tribal Nation students from high schools and the Tribal College to create contemporary digital (video) performances of ancestral stories learned from Tribal Elders and knowledge-keepers. The performances will be archived and utilized for the Montana Office of Public Instruction Indian Education for all curriculums.

\$70,000 total over two years to The Phoenix for general operating support. The Phoenix utilizes community assets to provide peer support and activity to foster sobriety.

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AMBFF

Guiding Theme:

The purpose of the Atlanta Falcons Youth Fund (AFYF) is to increase the time kids spend in physical activity – especially those approaches that change the lives of children who are most likely to miss out on or opt out of physical activity – and to give more children access to fresh fruits and vegetables.

Recent Highlights:

\$600,000 total over three years to both the Boys and Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Lanier (\$1.2 million/3-years total). These grants will sustain and improve BGC's physical activity programs and revamp their nutrition programs by redeveloping community gardens.

\$160,000 total over two years to the Atlanta Track Club Foundation to support and grow the "Kilometer Kids" K-5th grade running program. Kilometer Kids will expand its community program sites to Atlanta's Summerhill and Westside neighborhoods and ensure participating youth at site-based programs have free access to running instruction.

\$50,000 total over one year to the Georgia High School Association (GHSA) to establish the Georgia Youth Sports Officials Recruitment Program - a financial assistance initiative to increase the amount of new GHSA youth officials and ensure athletic competitions are facilitated safely and on time.

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Atlanta United Community Fund ARTHUR M. BLANK FAMILY FOUNDATION

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AMBFF

Guiding Theme:

The purpose of the Atlanta United Community Fund (AUCF) is to make the game of soccer accessible and inclusive for individuals across Georgia and Montana. AUCF grant programs stress the importance of physical fitness while building a supportive culture of play and sportsmanship via equipment donation, creation of play spaces, and support for youth soccer programming.

Recent Highlights:

\$3.36 million total over three years to the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) for the next phase of the GA100 initiative. The grant represents AUCF's enduring commitment to construct 100 new soccer fields leading to and beyond the 2026 World Cup games in Atlanta. Funding to LISC will provide matching grants of up to \$100,000 to community organizations, support the development of 30 "minipitch" soccer fields, and meet the new milestone of 50 fields by 2026.

\$25,000 total over one year to Livingston Youth Soccer Association (LYSA) to promote access to soccer in Livingston, Montana. This grant will allow LYSA to procure soccer goals for area parks, facilitate winter soccer programming, and provide scholarship funding to youth and families needing financial assistance.

\$20,000 total over one year to Corners Outreach to formalize soccer efforts at its Gwinnett County location and pilot similar programming at its DeKalb County site. Funding will support elementary and middle school students' soccer programming and academic assistance.

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Guiding Theme:

Connect the crew's various backgrounds and cultures to better the world's oceans and communities for future generations.

Recent Highlights:

\$100,000 total over three years to YachtAid Global to establish the Emergency Disaster Relief Fund. These funds will allow YachtAid to quickly respond to natural disasters within coastal communities around the globe.

\$25,000 over one year to Coral Catch to support its scholarship program and provide three cohorts of Indonesian women with nine weeks of coral restoration training, scientific diver certification, and marine conservation education.

\$20,000 total over one year to CREMA ("Centro de Rescate de Especies Marinas Amenzadas," in English, "The Endangered Marine Species Rescue Center") to support manta ray conservation research off the coast of Costa Rica.

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Guiding Theme:

The PGA TOUR Superstore Community Grants Program has a mission to increase inclusivity and access to golf and tennis across the country and enhance the quality of life in the communities that we serve.

Recent Highlights:

\$210,000 total in grants to organizations that are Investing In Our Youth. This includes \$10,000 to Fairways to Leadership (FWTL) in Orlando, Florida and Atlanta, Georgia. FWTL is an organization whose mission is to promote diversity and inclusion in business through golf literacy. The program is based on an innovative and immersive curriculum that uses the experience of playing golf to teach leadership and networking skills to university students.

\$160,000 total in grants to organizations that are positively Impacting Underserved Communities. This includes \$5,000 to the Salem Pantry in East Hanover, New Jersey. The Salem Pantry provides the North Shore with convenient access to fresh, free, healthy food partnering with local farmers and health organizations to nourish the community from the inside out.

\$55,000 total in grants to organizations that Honor Military & Veterans. This includes \$2,500 to Warriors SOAR in Roswell, Georgia. Warriors SOAR, Inc. is an organization dedicated to ending veteran suicide. Its mission is to assist in the Healing and Reintegration of our Wounded Heroes through S.O.A.R. (Support, Outreach, Assistance & Recovery).

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Guiding Theme:

The mission of the Veterans Community Fund is to empower U.S. veterans and their families to thrive in Georgia and Montana. Our approach includes grant partnerships with nonprofit organizations, collaboration with private and public stakeholders, and veteran-centered community engagement.

Recent Highlights:

\$450,000 total over three years to The Warrior Alliance to reach more veterans throughout Georgia and to support two signature programs: Veterans Legal Services Network (pro-bono) and Operation Double Eagle (workforce development and certification).

\$170,000 total over two years to Atlanta Legal Aid to reach more veterans with the greatest legal needs and enhance quality of life by removing legal barriers to employment and housing stability.

\$150,000 total over one year to Great Plains Veterans Service Center to support the specialized needs of indigenous veterans in 17 rural counties in Montana, including direct services to all veterans on the Rocky Boy, Fort Belknap, and Blackfeet Indian Reservations.

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