



COLORADO HEADWATERS — LAND TRUST —

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

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Elk's Vista Conservation Easement
125+ acres granted in 2022

As our spring letter says, conservation never stops! In 2022 we grew the number of conserved acres in Grand County to 9,310, with the acquisition of the Elk's Vista Conservation Easement.

This easement is a beautiful 125-acre property west of Kremmling, not far from the 2018 Enter Conservation Easement — it was that easement

which encouraged the landowners of Elk's Vista to conserve their own property. Elk's Vista protects wildlife habitat, forested land, and the magnificent viewshed surrounding Kremmling. Thank you to our Board of County Commissioners and the Open Lands, Rivers, and Trails fund for supporting this project and conservation throughout Grand County.

We also continued many of our annual events, including the Wildflower Walk, now at the Jones Creek Ranch Conservation Easement (Himebaugh Gulch) in July, and Songs & Stars at the Daisy Meadows Conservation Easement in August. These are becoming staples of Grand County's summer calendar and we look forward to these events, and more, in 2023!

Among staff changes at the office, we also welcomed Ray Anilionis and Jennifer Kilpela as new board members in June. We are thrilled to have such a strong and supportive board comprised of diverse views and goals to make the land trust a thriving conservation organization.

We also released our new website! The website was made by EcoPixel. It is user-friendly and available in both English and Spanish, and we will continue updating it to ensure it is informational and accessible for all.



2022 SUMMARY

2022 CALENDAR

We maintained our calendar through 2022 and focused on establishing our now-annual events in the county. We are always looking for ways to get on the land and meet our community – and we did that in so many great ways this year.

Here is a summary of the events from 2022:

- January** 21: Annual Board Retreat
- April** Poetry Month
07: HTA Tap Talk on Conservation History @ Never Summer Brewing
18: Partners In the Outdoors Conference
22: Earth Day @ Headwaters Center
- May** 18: Colorado Public Lands Day
19: Middle Park High School Scholarship Presentation
21: Land Trust Social @ Fraser Valley Distillery
- June** 10-12: Hot Sulphur Days
17-18: Kremmling Days
23: Land Trust Social @ Parshall Inn
30: HTA Tap Talk on Citizen Science @ Brickhouse 40
- July** Summer BioBlitz (month-long)
10: CHLT Summer Kickoff Party at Granby Garage
17: Wildflower Walk @ Jones Creek Ranch Conservation Easement
28-29: Keep It Colorado Regional Meeting
- August** 13: Songs & Stars @ Daisy Meadows Conservation Easement
19-21: Buffalo Days (Grand Lake)
- September** 09-10: Plein Air @ Altitude
12-18: **Hats Off for Headwaters** [videos]
24: National Public Lands Day
- October** Round-up @ Country ACE Hardware
08: RiverFest @ Dean Public House
- November** 10: Holiday Social
- December** 02: Fraser River Valley Lions Club Festival of Trees
06: Colorado Gives Day

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR 2022 DONORS

We exist by the support, enthusiasm, and generosity of our community. Donors included first-time supporters and long-time advocates, and ranged from Grand County locals to families across the country adding to the gifts of their relatives.

In 2022 we received over 365 donations!



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CAROLYN HACKMAN EDUCATION FUND

The Carolyn Hackman Education Fund (CHEF) was created with the expressed purpose of “providing financial assistance to Grand County students who are looking to increase their knowledge of land conservation and management, and who wish to carry such knowledge and appreciation into their adult years.”

CHLT annually distributes \$2,000 in **scholarships** from CHEF to graduating high school seniors in Grand County. In 2022 we awarded scholarships to: **Madison Moyer, Zackary Niedzwiecki, and Katherine Reisberg**. We look forward to seeing them grow as community leaders and conservation professionals!

We are also in an agreement with the Headwaters River Journey in Winter Park, to sponsor the tickets of Grand County children to attend the educational exhibit. In 2022, **301 tickets** were provided for Grand County children from our sponsorship.



CHLT believes the Headwaters River Journey accurately and effectively educates the public on the issues and arguments surrounding water supply and use in Grand County. Our contribution to the exhibit allows for Grand County children to learn the expertly-presented information in an engaging, entertaining environment.

GREAT APPRECIATION TO OUR 2022 HATS OFF EVENT SPONSORS

Allan C. Beezley, PC | Battle Creek Holdings | Credit Union of the Rockies | David & Hannelore Doty | Deb Froeb | Ed & Susan Herpel | Edward Jones | Graham & Louise Powers | Kristen L. Meyer & Associates at RE/MAX Peak to Peak | Middle Park Health | Milgrom & Daskam | Mountain Parks Electric | Neils Lunceford | Northwest Ranch Supply | Peter Nelson Mountain Architecture | Real Estate of Winter Park | Roger Hedlund & Michele Murray-Hedlund | Sky Hi News | Stewart & Nancy McNab | Tony & Beth-Ann Eason

MANY THANKS TO OUR 2022 PROJECT & PROGRAM GRANTING ENTITIES

Bamboo Fund | Brickhouse 40 | Casa Vista | Colorado Parks & Wildlife | Country ACE Hardware | David & Hannelore Doty | Dean Public House | Denver Foundation | Dirtywater Fund | Forte Foundation | Fraser River Valley Lions Club | Fraser Valley Distilling | Gates Family Foundation | Grand County Board of County Commissioners (*Open Lands, Rivers, and Trails Fund*) | Grand Foundation | Kroger | Land Trust Alliance | Mountain Parks Electric, Inc | Never Summer Brewing | Parshall Inn | Rendezvous Foundation | Rotary Club of Granby Foundation | Steve & Diana Fitzgerald | Weathertop Foundation



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2022 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

2022 OPERATING INCOME

Grants & Gifts:	\$ 740,475
Fundraising/Events:	\$ 5,884
Other:	\$ 57,227

2022 OPERATING EXPENSES

Easement Services:	\$ 138,139
Marketing/Fundraising:	\$ 67,769
Operations:	\$ 77,572

ASSET ALLOCATION (Restricted Funds)

Carolyn Hackman Edu. Fund:	\$ 223,907
General Conservation Fund:	\$ 253,100
Stewardship Defense Fund:	\$ 896,611

TOTAL INCOME:	\$ 767,586
[In-kind]	\$ 9,001

TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$ 283,480
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VALUE CONSERVATION EASEMENTS:	\$ 35,600,000
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Elk's Vista Conservation Easement (granted 2022)
Photo by CHLT staff

Thank you for all your support!

We look forward to continuing our mission in Grand County with your generous help. Please contact the office with any questions or concerns, and we hope to keep in touch!

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Colorado Headwaters Land Trust's mission is to conserve and steward the open land and natural character of the headwaters of the Colorado River in partnership with the local community. Colorado Headwaters Land Trust is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization certified by the State of Colorado and nationally accredited by the Land Trust Accreditation Commission.