

MAY THE FOURTH (AND FIFTH) BE WITH YOU!



Announcing FLATHEAD GIVES, May 4-5!

On May 4th and 5th from 6pm-6pm, our community will come together to give back to the nonprofits that keep the Flathead Valley thriving.

New name - **FLATHEAD GIVES!**

New giving platform - **GiveGab!**

Same spirit of **Philanthropy!**

Formerly known as Give Local Flathead, **FLATHEAD GIVES** is a heartwarming and dynamic 24-hour online and in-person giving event hosted by the Flathead Community Foundation and Northwest Montana United Way. 24 hours to celebrate and support nonprofits all across our Valley who work tirelessly for us 24/7, 365 days a year!

Local nonprofits' involvement in the event will give members of our community the chance to find and support an organization whose mission aligns with their passion, or to make an amplified impact to an organization they already support with the help of our special prize donations.

Our goal is to raise \$200,000 and we will succeed when the **FLATHEAD GIVES** together! One Day. One Valley. One Goal!

When: May 4-5 from 6pm-6pm.

Who: You! Everyone can be a Philanthropist. The minimum donation is \$10.

How to Give: Donate online or in person at the Gateway Community Center.

IMPORTANT DATES for NONPROFITS

March 6 - Online registration for FLATHEAD GIVES begins! www.flatheadgives.org

March 9 - Get Ready Webinar at the Gateway Community Center!

8:45am Continental breakfast

9:00am Live webinar with Team GiveGab

A complete schedule of training sessions, webinars, marketing activities, and other important dates will be available March 6.

Welcome Reception for New Executive Director

The Board of Directors and Staff of the Flathead Community Foundation (FCF) cordially invite you to a welcome reception for our new Executive Director, Judy Sommers.

Date: Tuesday, March 14

Time: 5:00 - 6:30PM

Location: Flathead Community Foundation office - 345 First Avenue East, Kalispell

Judy comes to FCF with more than 35 years' experience in finance and insurance, nonprofit volunteer service, fundraising, and personal philanthropy. Her advocacy for the work of community foundations, commitment to local philanthropy, community connections, and strong work ethic are among the many assets she brings to the Executive Director position.

The March 14 reception is an opportunity for the community to meet Judy and learn about her vision for the Flathead Community Foundation going forward. Board President, Mike Smith and outgoing Director, Lucy Smith will introduce Judy with a brief presentation at 6:00pm.

FCF Staff & Board

Nonprofit Development Partnership

The Flathead Nonprofit Development Partnership (NpDP) - a service of the Flathead Community Foundation - provides educational programs, information resources, and networking opportunities that support and strengthen nonprofit organizations in northwest Montana.



NpDP EVENTS

March 9th 11:30am-1:00pm

Brown Bag Lunch Series - Identifying and Utilizing Social Media Tools for Non-profit Growth with Jason Charles

Location: The Museum at Central School

Jason will guide us through a number of Social Media tools that both large and small non-profit organizations can use to develop an online media presence. Learn how and when to employ these vehicles to grow your organization's funding and support networks.

Jason Charles has an extensive resume: filmmaker; nationally syndicated columnist; owner and Art Director for media production company Golden Ratio Media; and operator of local hosting service, Website Express.

Jason brings more than 17 years of experience in media production, online marketing and design to his work, helping customers create brands that capture and communicate the vision of their companies through a

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Agency Funds at FCF:

- Abbie Shelter Endowment
- CASA for Kids Endowment
- Care Farm Challenge
- Center for Restorative Youth Justice Endowment
- Child Bridge Endowment
- Crown of the Continent Choir
- Flathead Community Foundation Endowment
- Flathead Food Bank Endowment
- Friends of Flathead Law Enforcement
- Foy-Herron Park Endowment
- Glacier Symphony & Chorale Endowment
- Hockaday Museum of Art Endowment
- Humane Society of NW MT Endowment
- Kalispell Boulder Project
- Kalispell Golf Association
- Lighthouse Christian Home
- NpDP Endowment
- NW MT Forest Fire Lookout Endowment
- Paws to Play Dog Park Project
- Ravenwood Outdoor Learning Center
- Sunburst Community Foundation Endowment
- Women Who Wine of the Flathead

variety of traditional and online marketing mediums.

Remember that the coffee (and tea) pots will be on, to go with your brown bag lunch! [RSVP here!](#)

NpDP JOB BOARD

Send us your job postings to info@flatheadcommunityfoundation.org.

Giving Circle
Women Who Wine of the Flathead

WWWF, a Giving Circle and charitable fund of the Flathead Community Foundation is committed to engaging all women in the power of collective philanthropy. Members regularly contribute their time, talents, and financial resources to serve their community - and through monthly gatherings educate themselves and others about local needs and services. New members are always welcome! Monthly meetings are held in Kalispell on the first Tuesday of the month. Bigfork meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of the month (not every month).



Women Who Wine of the Flathead
A Charitable Fund of the Flathead Community Foundation

To learn more about WWWF or sign up for monthly announcements, [please visit our Women Who Wine Flathead web page.](#)

Upcoming Meetings

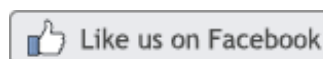
KALISPELL

March 7

Conrad Mansion Museum, hosted by Crystal Wendt
*Benefiting the Sunburst Community Service Foundation

BIGFORK

March 21 Information coming soon!



Your donation to the Flathead Community Foundation supports our mission to ensure the good of the Flathead forever, by strengthening local nonprofits and connecting generous donors with the causes they care about most. Make a difference.

[Donate](#)



You make the difference. We make it happen.