



2022 Colorado Bar Foundation
ANNUAL REPORT



“The Colorado Bar Foundation advances justice by supporting legal services and law-related education.”

ABOUT US

The mission of the Colorado Bar Foundation (CBF) is to support justice through legal services and law-related education throughout Colorado, regardless of affiliation with the Colorado Bar Association (CBA). The Foundation is a 509(a)(3) Type 1 grant making and supporting organization to the Colorado Bar Association (CBA); the responsibilities of the Foundation are as defined in IRS Publication 557. All services and programs applying for grants from the Foundation are subject to the same application, review process and standards.

The annual contributions, donations, and estate gifts left to the CBF are skillfully shepherded by the board in an effort to provide:

- Assistance with the provision or improved delivery of legal services by supporting the representation of individuals in court proceedings, furnishing advice to pro se litigants, and disseminating general information about various legal matters (including, but not limited to, domestic relation proceedings, probate and trust administration, estate planning, immigration, evictions and bankruptcy)
- Promotion of law-related education to the public by supporting organizations that provide information and education about our American legal/justice system to community organizations and to school children of all ages
- Improvement of the administration of justice by supporting our courts and judicial officers, delivering accessible information about the Colorado court system, providing child-care for litigants and jurors, and assisting law enforcement and the judiciary in performing their functions

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The Colorado Bar Foundation receives funding from the following sources:

- Interest income earned from our endowment, valued at \$8,285,224 as of October 30, 2022¹, reflecting an increase of \$4,179,641 over the previous fiscal year
- Donations made via the Bar Fellows program, which consists of individuals who have made a 10-year pledge to the foundation, and emeritus fellows who continue giving annually after completing their pledge
- One-time donations from individuals and corporations.

The foundation recently received a gift of \$5.2 million from the Estate of Ben Aisenberg, which has been a gamechanger for our ability to support our mission. Our future is brighter than ever. Any of the CBF trustees will gladly talk to you more about Ben and his brilliance (and his charity). It is certainly an exciting time to be part of the Colorado Bar Foundation.

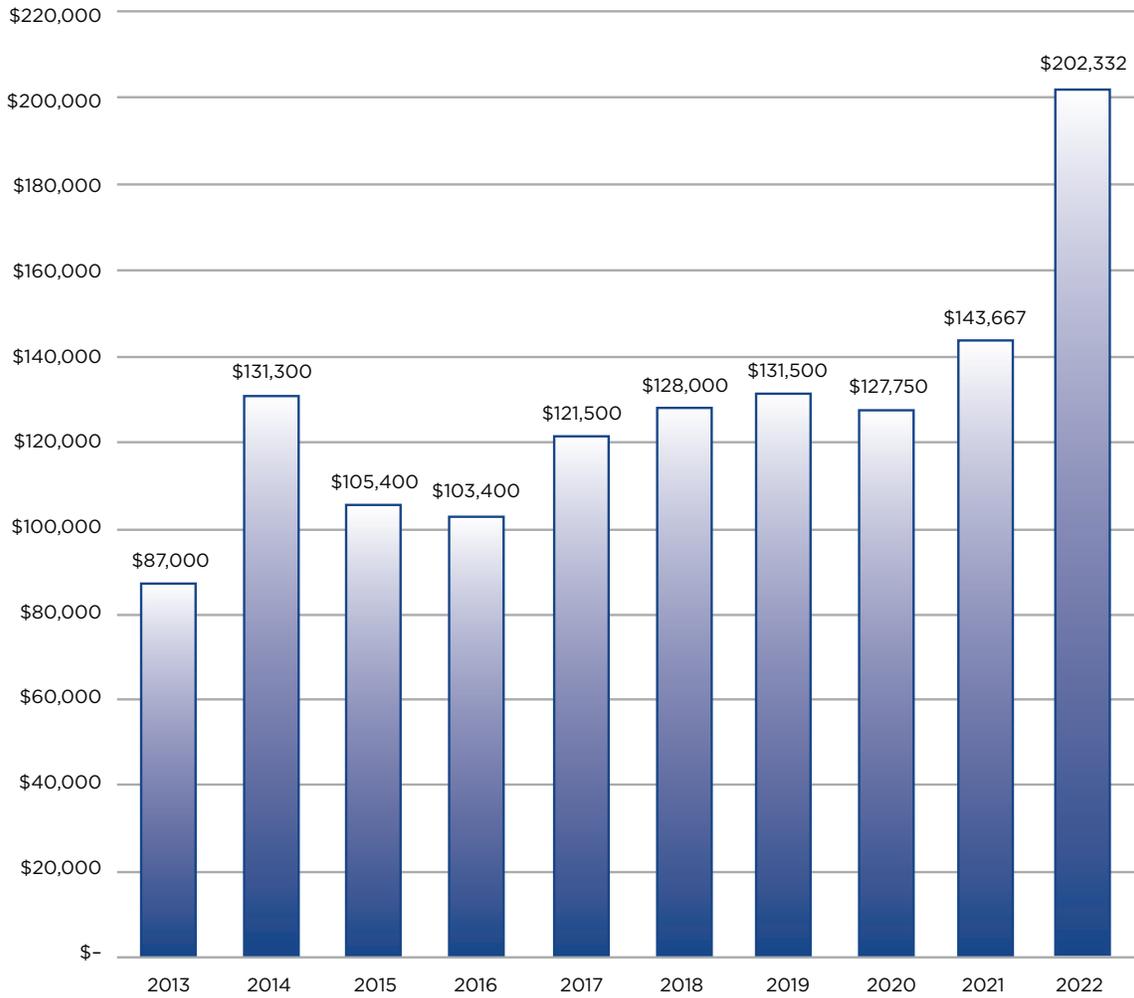
Thank you to our Colorado Bar Fellows for their continued support.

NOTE

1. Valuation reflected here is slightly different than total assets in the included financial statements due to the difference in dates.

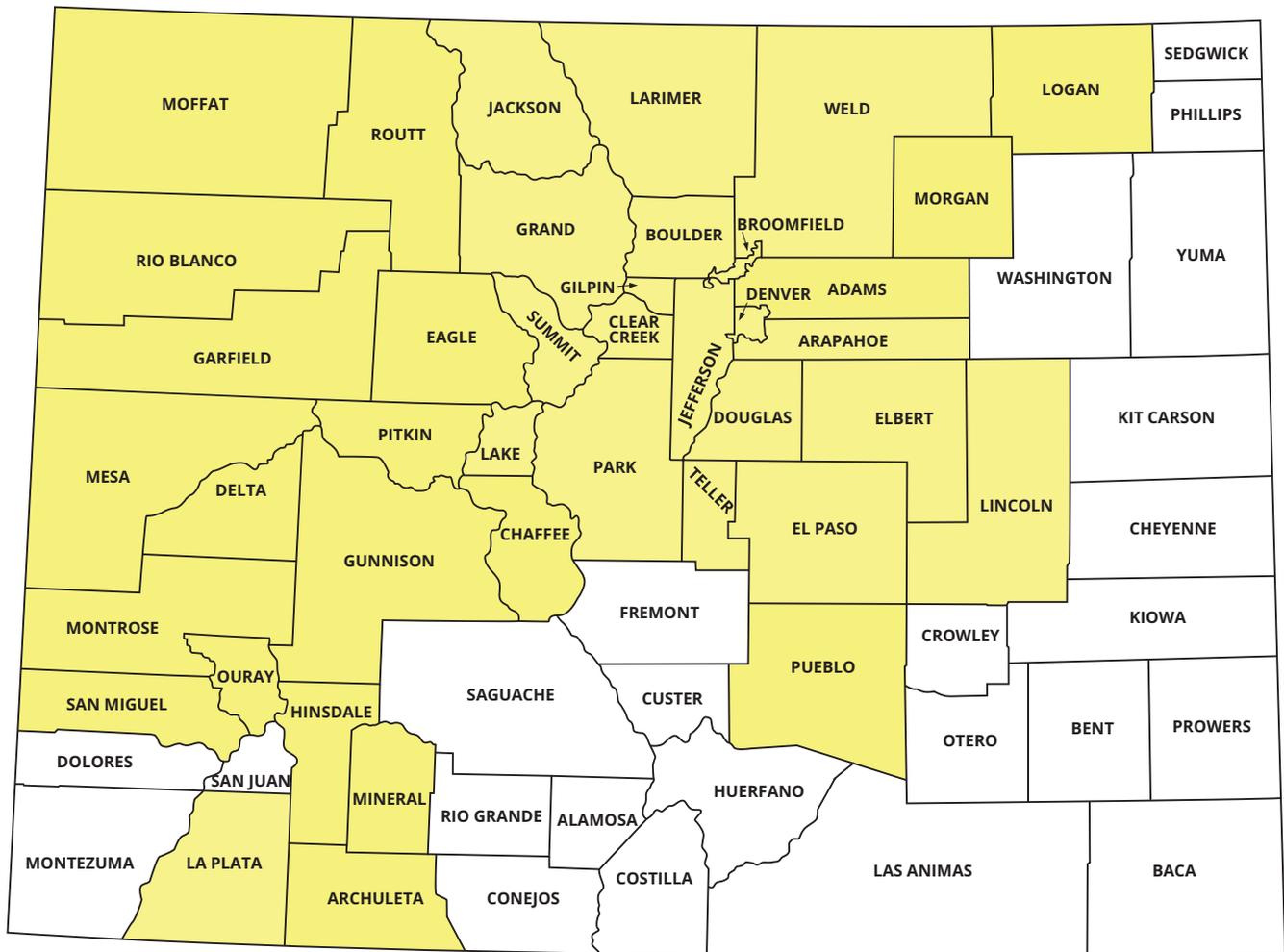
2022 GRANT FUNDING

- Total funds awarded: \$202,332
- Average grant size: \$4,817
- Total number of grants awarded: 42
- Percent of submitted applications that were awarded a grant: 84%



GEOGRAPHIC IMPACT

Our 2022 grantees serve the following counties across Colorado:



In addition, the Colorado Bar Foundation funded 17 organizations that serve the entire state.

COLTAF BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

The Colorado Lawyer Trust Account Foundation (COLTAF) (<https://www.coltaf.org/>) program supports pro bono legal services by funding local legal aid and similar organizations that provide civil representation to economically disadvantaged residents across the state. It is funded primarily by the interest earned on trust accounts held for Colorado attorneys.

Shortly after the 2008 financial crisis, interest payments plunged and severely hampered the ability of COLTAF to support these programs. Recognizing the statewide negative impact on the availability of legal services for such residents, the CBF trustees determined a unitary grant to COLTAF would be a more efficient and effective way of allocating the foundation's funds for these programs. In 2014, the trustees discontinued awards to individual COLTAF-supported programs in favor of a single large award to COLTAF, and that practice continues.

In 2022, COLTAF was awarded a block grant of \$50,000 by the Colorado Bar Foundation.

COLORADO BAR FOUNDATION 2022 GRANTEES

A Kid's Place: \$2,000

Provides advocacy and support for abused and neglected children by advancing coordinated investigations, prosecution, and victim services.

A Woman's Place, Inc.: \$4,000

Shelters and helps empower victims/survivors of domestic abuse to become safe, secure, and self-sufficient; and through education and collaboration, mobilizes our community to help prevent domestic violence.

Advocates of Lake County, Inc.: \$4,032

Provides trauma-informed services and promotes a community where survivors of domestic and sexual violence may achieve personal autonomy.

Bridge to Justice: \$5,000

As an impact-oriented social enterprise, bridges the gap between legal needs and legal access with affordable, high quality legal services.

Casa Of Jefferson and Gilpin Counties: \$3,000

Provides trained volunteers to advocate in court on behalf of abused and neglected children.

CASA Of the Pikes Peak Region, Inc.: \$3,000

Provides a volunteer's voice in court for children who are victims of abuse, neglect, or domestic conflict and promotes community awareness of these issues to ensure safe and permanent homes.

Central Visitation Program: \$3,000

Enhances low-income family relationships by providing supervised visits, safe exchanges, and parenting support.

Child Advocates—Denver CASA: \$3,000

Advocates for the best interests of children who have experienced abuse or neglect by training diverse volunteers who create opportunities for children, youth and families to thrive.

Colorado Bar Association—Our Courts Program: \$3,000

A nationally recognized program that offers nonpartisan informational presentations to further public knowledge and understanding of the state and federal courts in Colorado.

Colorado Bar Association—Mock Trial Program: \$7,500

Creates an environment for hundreds of high school students across the state to learn about the judicial system while expanding their speaking, writing, reading, and analytical skills.

Colorado Bar Association—Pro Bono Programs: \$2,500

The mission of the CBA Pro Bono Programs is to provide services to those in need across the State.

Colorado Bar Association—COBALT Program: \$2,000

Enhances, promotes and inspires the leadership of the legal profession.

Colorado Business Committee for the Arts: \$3,000

Advances Colorado's creative economy by connecting business and the arts.

Colorado Freedom of Information Coalition: \$2,500

Educates journalists and the public at large about their rights under Colorado's open-government laws. It promotes freedom of the press, open courts and open access to government records and meetings at the state and local level.

Colorado Juvenile Defender Center: \$5,000

Dedicated to ensuring justice for all youth in Colorado by protecting the rights of youth in the juvenile justice and education systems with direct representation & assistance to clients' families, and elevating the practice of juvenile defense.

Colorado Nonprofit Legal Center: \$1,000

Provides affordable legal services and governance education to nonprofits operating in Colorado, empowering them to expand their impact in the community.

Colorado Springs Teen Court: \$6,000

Empowers youth and fosters resilient communities by inspiring accountability, empathy, and personal growth.

Court Care for the Pikes Peak Region: \$5,000

Provides quality childcare in a safe, family friendly environment for the children of individuals who have court-related business.

Crossroads Safehouse, Inc.: \$7,500

Shelters, supports, advocates for, and empowers all people so we can live free of domestic violence and interpersonal abuse.

Delta Eta Boule Foundation: \$3,000

Identifies, nurtures, and develops the next generation of Black leaders.

Educating Children of Color: \$3,000

Dismantles the cradle-to-prison pipeline for children of color and children in poverty through education.

Foster Source: \$3,000

Provides relevant training, resources and support to foster parents from a trauma-informed approach, giving them the skills and confidence to spark healing in vulnerable children.

The University of Denver—Greater Colorado Law Student Experience: \$5,000

Promotes learning by engaging with students in advancing scholarly inquiry, cultivating critical and creative thought, and generating knowledge. Our active partnerships with local and global communities contribute to a sustainable common good.

Hispanic Affairs Project: \$3,000

Promotes the integration of immigrants in Western Colorado through advocacy, leadership development, and providing key services.

Hope House Colorado: \$3,000

Empowers parenting teenage moms to strive for personal and economic self-sufficiency and to understand their significance in God's sight, resulting in a healthy future for them and for their children.

Immigrant Legal Center of Boulder County: \$3,000

Expands access to reliable legal services for the immigrant community, educates the immigrant population about U.S. law, and educates the general public about the legal difficulties encountered by immigrants to this country

Justice and Mercy Legal Aid Center (JAMLAC): \$5,000

Seeks justice for those struggling with poverty and oppression in a way that affirms their dignity and strengthens their capacity to positively direct their own lives.

Korey Wise Innocence Project: \$5,000

Works with community volunteers, law students, multidisciplinary faculty, and volunteer attorneys to exonerate those persons wrongfully convicted in Colorado. We facilitate policy reform and promote discussion regarding contributing factors to wrongful conviction.

LAW SCHOOL...Yes We Can: \$3,300

Advances inclusiveness in the legal profession by equipping fellows for their journey to law school and beyond.

Legal Aid Foundation of Colorado—COLTAF Block Grant: \$50,000

Administers Colorado's Interest on Lawyers' Trust Accounts (IOLTA) program to assist in legal services to the disadvantaged; improves the delivery of legal services; promotes knowledge and awareness of the law in the community; and improves the administration of justice.

Mi Casa Resource Center: \$1,000

Creates pathways to opportunity. Transforms the culture of incarceration by empowering human connection.

Rise Above Violence: \$5,000

Helps crime victims to heal, recover and stabilize and to promote community efforts which prevent future incidents of violence.

Rocky Mountain Children's Law Center: \$3,000

Advocates for children and youth, drive systemic reform, and boldly challenge the status quo so that every young person who has experienced trauma or instability has the opportunity to thrive.

Rocky Mountain Immigrant Advocacy Network: \$5,000

Serves low-income men, women, and children in immigration proceedings. RMIAN promotes knowledge of legal rights, provides effective representation to ensure due process, works to improve detention conditions, and promotes a more humane immigration system.

Rocky Mountain Legal Center: \$5,000

Provides free and low cost direct legal services to individuals and families with an emphasis on preventive law and education.

Rocky Mountain Veterans Advocacy: \$5,000

A non-profit, low-bono clinic that provides legal advocacy to veterans and military servicemembers to obtain disability benefits through the Department of Veterans Affairs and discharge upgrades before the Department of Defense.

Safe Passage: \$5,000

Gives abused children a voice and enable the healing process by acting as the single source of contact for medical, investigative, and legal services.

Safe Shelter of St Vrain Valley: \$2,500

Provides a comprehensive system of English/Spanish programs and services to address the needs of victims of domestic and family violence, abuse in later life, teen dating violence, and human trafficking.

The Conflict Center: \$3,000

Equips people with practical skills to navigate, transform and embrace everyday conflict.

Tri-County Health Network: \$4,500

Collaborates with our communities to improve health for everyone

Women's Resource Center: \$3,000

Advocates for the personal empowerment and economic self-sufficiency of women and girls in La Plata County.

COLORADO BAR FOUNDATION BALANCE SHEET

for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022

	CURRENT FY	PREVIOUS FY
Assets		
Checking Account	\$21,857	\$106,533
Savings Account	\$8,168,349	\$4,038,389
Accounts Receivable	\$4,100	\$2,850
Total Assets	\$8,194,306	\$4,147,772
Liabilities		
Payables	\$443	\$0
Deferred Income	\$17,825	\$0
Total Liabilities	\$18,268	\$0
Equity		
Unappropriated Surplus	\$4,085,091	\$3,242,309
YTD Revenue over Expenses	\$5,444,486	\$56,260
Unrealized Gain/Loss	\$(1,353,539)	\$786,521
Total Equity	\$8,176,037	\$4,085,091
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$8,194,306	\$4,147,772.43

COLORADO BAR FOUNDATION INCOME STATEMENT

for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022

	CURRENT FY	LAST FY
Revenues		
Pledges Bar Fellows	\$55,133	\$53,418
Emeritus Fellow Gifts	\$27,868	\$24,518
Event Income	\$0	\$800
Interest, Dividend, Realized G/L	\$294,895	\$114,372
Sponsorships	\$0	\$1,000
Contributions	\$5,254,937	\$24,522
Unrealized Gain or Loss	\$(1,353,569)	\$786,521
Total Revenue	\$4,279,331	\$1,005,152
Administrative Expenses		
Awards	\$(196)	\$(343)
Bank Fees	\$(36,699)	\$(24,427)
Office Supplies	\$0	\$(367)
Insurance	\$0	\$(3,030)
Dues	\$(70)	\$(20)
Uncollectible AR/Write offs	\$(2,850)	\$0
Internet	\$0	\$(338)
Professional Services	\$(3,100)	\$(3,100)
Printing	\$(78)	\$0
Total Administrative Expenses	\$(42,995)	\$(31,626)
Fundraising Expenses		
Office Supplies	\$(23)	\$0
Postage	\$(20)	\$(15)
Internet	\$0	\$(264)
Professional Services	\$(178)	\$(15)
Subscriptions	\$0	\$(1,200)
Total Fundraising Expenses	\$(223)	\$(1,494)

	CURRENT FY	LAST FY
Program Expenses		
Subscriptions	\$(1,500)	\$(1,500)
Grants/Contributions	\$(143,667)	\$(127,750)
Total Program Expenses	\$(145,167)	\$(129,250)
Total Expenses	\$(188,385.00)	\$(162,371)
Rev/Exp without gain or loss	\$5,444,486	\$56,260
Rev/Exp with gain or loss	\$4,090,946	\$842,781



If you would like more information on how the foundation allocates funds,
or how you can become a Bar Fellow, please contact any trustee at your convenience.
Review more about the CBF and its leadership.