# 2017 Annual Report The McConnell Foundation

In 2017, the Foundation funded the priority areas of interest to its Board of Directors: Turtle Bay Exploration Park; Children, Youth & Education; Scholarships; The McConnell Fund at the Shasta Regional Community Foundation; the NatureBridge at Yosemite Program; public trail construction; the annual City of Redding fireworks show; and to programs in the countries of Nepal and Laos.

The Foundation offered complimentary use of its meeting rooms to nonprofit organizations, collaborations, government agencies, and public schools. Meeting space allows groups to get away from their daily work environment, and enjoy a tranquil setting to focus on their organization's goals. In 2017, 121 meetings were held at the Foundation's headquarters and guest house. These meetings hosted 4,006 people. A sample of groups that met at the Foundation are: University of California UC Cal Fresh Nutrition Education, United Way of Northern California, Hill Country Health & Wellness, CSU Chico School of Social Work, California Highway Patrol, Shasta County Arts Council, American Cancer Society, Chrysalis Charter School, Blood Source, Youth Violence Prevention Council, Women's Leadership, and The Euphrates Institute

Public use of the Foundation's trails and open space provided recreational opportunities for walking, hiking, and biking. In addition, the open space offered viewshed and watershed protection. In 2017, the Foundation made available land for local ranchers and bee keepers to utilize, enhancing local agriculture. Once again, the annual partnership with Shasta College to hire interns who assist the Foundation on land restoration and grazing management projects was successful.

For the seventh year, the Foundation made available its 400-acre Condiotti property off Shasta View Drive in Redding to the U.S. Forest Service. The Forest Service brings its mules to winter on the property in November, and then trucks them back to Trinity County in May. The mules pack supplies for California Conservation Corps crews and firefighting crews into rugged backcountry areas such as the Trinity Alps and the Yolla Bolla Wilderness.

Annually, the Foundation's board members and staff voluntarily embrace opportunities to share their time and resources on projects and events that contribute to the quality of life in Redding and beyond.

# **GRANTS APPROVED IN 2017 BY THE FOUNDATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Alta California Community Media Community Radio \$150,000

# **Alternatives to Violence**

Sponsorship of Tehama SART benefit event \$5,000

# **California Bicycle Coalition Education Fund**

Shasta Living Streets Downtown Parklet \$10,000

# **California Bicycle Coalition Education Fund**

Support of organization's mission and contributions to the vitality of our community \$10,000

# **Catalyst Redding Young Professionals**

Development of App "Paintify" \$3,500

# **City of Redding**

National Night Out \$1,000

# **City of Redding**

2018 4th of July Fireworks \$82,500

#### College OPTIONS, Inc.

College OPTIONS \$3,271,000

# **Forward Redding Foundation**

Nonprofit of the Year Awards \$5,000

#### Friends of Whiskeytown Inc.

Symphony on the Beach 2017 \$3,000

# **Human Response Network**

Helena Fire Recovery Efforts in Trinity County \$5,000

#### Inter Union For Conservation Of Nature & Natural Resources Utd St

Lao Ecology Small Grant Program \$122,000

#### **Lassen Park Foundation**

Sponsorship of Peak Experience Auction \$2,500

#### **Local Indians For Education**

Pasts & Futures of California Street Event \$1,000

#### **Local Indians For Education**

Support for "Native Roots Network LearnX" \$7,800

#### Mahila Shakti Bikash Kendra Nepal

Organizational Needs Assessment by Mahizen Consulting \$3,156

# **Mayers Memorial Hospital District**

New Hospital Wing at Mayers Memorial Hospital \$1,000,000

#### **McConnell Scholars Scholarship Program**

2018 McConnell Scholars \$873,000

# Mount Shasta Trail Association, Inc.

Gateway Two \$420,000

# **Mountain Valleys Health Centers**

Fall River Valley Health Center Capital Campaign \$100,000

#### NatureBridge 2019

Tuition and transportation for high school students and teacher chaperones from Shasta, Siskiyou, Modoc, Tehama and Trinity County High Schools to participate in the NatureBridge Yosemite Program, a week-long residential field science and environmental education program held in Yosemite National Park. \$139,108

# **Norcal OUTreach Project**

In-kind donation of furniture \$500

# Northern California Educational Television Association, Inc. (KIXE)

Vietnam War Documentary \$5,000

# Redding Trail Alliance, Inc.

Shasta County Trail Planning, Building and Promoting 2018-2020 \$180,000

#### **Shasta College Foundation**

Custom Bronze Plaque Recognizing Secret War in Laos \$402

#### **Shasta County Arts Council**

Redding Cultural District \$242,500

# **Shasta County Arts Council**

Support of organization's mission and contributions to the vitality of our community \$10,000

#### **Shasta County Arts Council**

Redding Fashion Alliance - Incubation Spaces to Activate Vacant Property \$115,000

# **Shasta County Arts Council**

Public Art Assessment in Redding Cultural District \$5,000

#### **Shasta County Arts Council**

Redding Fashion Alliance relocation to downtown Redding \$10,000

# **Shasta County Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council**

In-kind donation of furniture \$500

#### **Shasta County Young Men's Christian Association**

Healthy Shasta Partnership 2017-2019 \$70,000

# **Shasta Historical Society**

Pasts & Futures of California Street Event \$1,000

#### **Shasta Historical Society**

Support of organization's mission and contributions to the vitality of our community \$10,000

# **Shasta Regional Community Foundation**

The McConnell Fund at the Shasta Regional Community foundation 2018 \$742,500

# **Shasta Regional Soccer Association**

Match to Land and Water Conservation Grant from National Park Service \$1,000,000

#### **Shasta Wildlife Rescue & Rehabilitation Center**

Unrestricted Gift \$2,500

#### **Shasta County**

Healthy Shasta Partnership 2017-2019 \$80,000

#### **Shasta County**

Continuum of Care Coordinator/Point-in-Time Contract \$16,000

#### Sierra Business Council

Expanding Broadband to Surprise Valley \$47,050

# Siskiyou Family YMCA

Phase 4 Facility Expansion \$200,000

# **Turtle Bay Exploration Park**

Operating Support for Calendar Year 2018 \$1,500,000

# **Turtle Bay Exploration Park**

Sustainability Gardens - Site Maintenance 2018 \$70,000

# **Turtle Bay Exploration Park**

Supplemental Operating Support \$3,300,000

#### **Turtle Bay Exploration Park**

Support for Butterfly House \$10,000

# **Viva Downtown Redding**

Support of organization's mission and contributions to the vitality of our community \$10,000

#### **Weed Recreation and Parks District**

New Weed Community Center \$250,000

#### **OTHER GIVING**

#### **Board & Staff Matching Gifts**

The McConnell Foundation has a generous matching gift program that allows board members and staff to make donations individually to eligible organizations of their choice. Individual donations are matched by the Foundation. \$389,443

# **Qualifying Memberships**

\$22,100

#### **Lema Ranch Persimmons**

Persimmons grown and harvested on Lema Ranch were donated to Shasta Senior Nutrition Program, Great Northern Corporation, Anderson-Cottonwood Christian Assistance, Lifeboat Mt. Shasta, and the community at large.

#### 4-H/FFA Jr. Livestock Auctions

The McConnell Foundation supports local 4-H and FFA clubs by purchasing animals at livestock auctions and donating meat to Anderson-Cottonwood Christian Assistance, Empire Recovery, Great Northern Corporation, One SAFE Place, Shasta Senior Nutrition Center, and Trinity County Food Bank.

In addition to new grants approved in 2017, the Foundation paid out the following amounts on new and previously-approved grants:

# **Alta California Community Media**

Community Radio \$137,000

#### **Alternatives to Violence**

Sponsorship of Tehama SART benefit event \$5,000

#### **Asia Foundation**

Community-Based Water Resource Management in Laos \$50,000

# **California Bicycle Coalition Education Fund**

Support of organization's mission and contributions to the vitality of our community \$10,000

# **Catalyst Redding Young Professionals**

Development of App "Paintify" \$3,500

#### **Center for Lao Studies**

Study Abroad in Laos McConnell Foundation Fellowship 2017 \$23,486

#### **City of Redding**

2017 4th of July Fireworks \$80,000

# **City of Redding**

Sponsorship of Redding Regional Science Bowl \$3,000

# **City of Redding**

Continuum of Care Coordinator/Point-in-Time Contract \$16,000

# **City of Redding**

National Night Out \$1,000

#### City of Redding

Kids Kingdom 2 Playground \$50,000

# College OPTIONS, Inc.

College OPTIONS \$611,000

#### **Conservation Fund**

Volcano Adventure Camp \$75,000

# **Forward Redding Foundation**

Nonprofit of the Year Award \$2,500

#### Friends of Whiskeytown Inc.

Symphony on the Beach 2017 \$3,000

#### **Human Response Network**

Helena Fire Recovery Efforts in Trinity County \$5,000

#### **Lassen Park Foundation**

Sponsorship of Peak Experience Auction \$2,500

#### **Local Indians For Education**

Support for Community Graduation Celebrations \$500

#### **Local Indians For Education**

Pasts & Futures of California Street Event \$1,000

# **Local Indians For Education**

Support for "Native Roots Network LearnX" \$7,800

# Mahila Shakti Bikash Kendra Nepal (MSBKN)

Women's Leadership Development Program - Phase V \$300,000

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Organizational Needs Assessment by Mahizen Consulting \$3,156

# McConnell Scholarships 2011 - 2017

Vista and Scholars Programs \$4,713,801

# Natural Resource Conflict Transformation Center - Nepal (NRCTC)

Natural Resource Conflict Transformation Project: Global Platform \$55,800

#### Natural Resource Conflict Transformation Center - Nepal (NRCTC)

Phase IV: Anchoring the Web \$300,000

#### NatureBridge Program 2017 and 2018

Tuition and transportation for high school students and teacher chaperones from Shasta, Siskiyou, Modoc, Tehama and Trinity County High Schools to participate in the NatureBridge Program held in Yosemite National Park \$133,098

#### NatureBridge

Capstone Pledge to Complete the First Phase of National Environmental Science Center in Yosemite National Park \$250,000

#### **Norcal OUTreach Project**

In-kind donation of furniture \$500

# Northern California Educational Television Assn Inc. (KIXE)

Vietnam War Documentary \$5,000

#### Redding Trail Alliance, Inc.

Trail Projects and Support \$50,000

#### Redding Trail Alliance, Inc.

Bike Park \$20,000

# **Shasta College Foundation**

North State Together - North State Collective Impact Partnership \$780,000

#### **Shasta College Foundation**

Scholarships for the Shasta College Global Education Program Expeditions 2016-2020 \$10,000

#### **Shasta College Foundation**

Custom Bronze Plaque Recognizing Secret War in Laos \$402

# **Shasta County**

Continuum of Care Coordinator/Point-in-Time Contract \$16,000

# **Shasta County**

Healthy Shasta Partnership 2017-2019 \$40,000

#### **Shasta County Arts Council**

Support of organization's mission and contributions to the vitality of our community \$10,000

# **Shasta County Arts Council**

Public Art Assessment in Redding Cultural District \$5,000

#### **Shasta County Arts Council**

Redding Fashion Alliance relocation to downtown Redding \$10,000

# **Shasta County Arts Council**

Redding Cultural District \$87,500

# Shasta County Chemical People, Inc.

Support for Community Graduation Celebration - Shasta Coalition of African Americans for Community Health, Education, and Empowerment (SCOACHE) \$500

#### **Shasta County Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council**

In-kind donation of furniture \$500

# **Shasta County Office of Education**

Ignite Opportunity STEM Career Day \$10,000

#### **Shasta Family YMCA**

Healthy Shasta Partnership 2017-2019 \$35,000

# **Shasta Historical Society**

Support of organization's mission and contributions to the vitality of our community \$10,000

# **Shasta Historical Society**

Pasts & Futures of California Street Event \$1,000

# **Shasta Regional Community Foundation**

Operating Support for Occupancy Expenses \$66,888

# **Shasta Regional Community Foundation**

The McConnell Fund 2017 \$742,500

# **Shasta Regional Community Foundation**

Operating Support \$175,490

#### Shasta Wildlife Rescue & Rehabilitation Center

Unrestricted Gift \$2,500

# **Shasta Women's Refuge**

One SAFE Place Capital Campaign \$1,000,000

# **Sierra Business Council**

Expanding Broadband to Surprise Valley \$47,050

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# **Turtle Bay Exploration Park**

Sustainability Gardens - 2017 Site Maintenance \$70,000

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# **United Way of Northern California**

Bridges to Transition Program \$15,000

# **Viva Downtown Redding**

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