



25 Years of Living and Giving in Wyoming



25 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

2014 Annual Report

In 2014 WYCF granted
\$4.5 million to nearly
700 nonprofits.

\$44.5 million
has
been granted in total
since 1989.

Letter from Board Chair

Dear Future WYCF Board Members – 25 Years Hence;

Over 400 years elapsed between the invention of the quill pen and the pencil; 100 years between the pencil and the typewriter; 50 years between the typewriter and computer; and 30 years between the computer and the floppy disk (remember those?). These days, we are hard pressed to keep on top of major advances in written communications that seem to emerge every few months. I cannot even hazard a guess at the pace of change you will be faced with in 25 years!



During my time on the board, I have witnessed incredible change and growth as we have faithfully pursued a mission of connecting people who care with causes that matter to build a better Wyoming. In our early years WYCF granted out just over \$100,000. In 2014 the Foundation distributed over \$4.5 million. It took ten years for us to reach \$10 million in charitable assets; we now exceed \$100 million.

I find great comfort and satisfaction in the fact that community foundations are designed to be living organisms, fundamentally equipped to evolve in response to changing needs and norms, and therefore hardwired for continued success. 25 years from now, if an original organization or need that a donor supported ceases to exist, the Foundation will have the ability to redirect to another organization or community need as close as possible to that donor's intent. I feel assured that you will honor our donors' wishes in our shared mission of building a better Wyoming.

I have enjoyed being a part of the early building years of this vital statewide organization. Our continuing goal will be to honor the WYCF's past while positioning future staff and board members to achieve exponential growth in the ability to make a real difference to Wyoming's communities.

Wishing you the very best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Diane Harrop'.

Diane Harrop, Chairman

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The LEK fund was WYCF's
FIRST unrestricted
fund.

Plank was the Foundation's
FIRST \$1 million
donor.

Freeman served as WYCF's
FIRST president,
leading the
Foundation for 14 years.

WYOMING COMMUNITY FOUNDATION:

A History of Cultivating Community

The Wyoming Community Foundation's success was cultivated in the hands of a group of forward-thinking people with big ideas and tenacity. They recognized that financial stability proved the biggest hurdle for struggling nonprofits and that a community foundation could help eliminate that hurdle. These individuals were instrumental to establishing the Foundation, and two of them continue to make an impact today.

A Game-Changer for the Foundation: Lollie Benz Plank and the LEK Unrestricted Endowment Fund

Lollie Benz Plank has said, "The most important money the Wyoming Community Foundation has is the kind that can help make a statement in the community, to launch efforts and work on projects that can be replicated." In 1998 Plank's decision to establish the LEK Unrestricted Endowment Fund did just that - giving the Foundation the freedom to make more impactful gifts where and when they were needed.

The fund also provided WYCF sustainability, helping the Foundation grow into the thriving organization it is today with assets of over \$100 million. This sort of success was something Plank dreamed for Wyoming. Her generosity has helped make it possible.

Dedication to the Foundation: John F. Freeman

John F. Freeman's term as Wyoming Community Foundation president ended in 2003, but his expertise and knowledge continue to be invaluable to WYCF. He is a resource and a sounding board, and he believes the Foundation is uniquely positioned to create impact.

"WYCF doesn't solve problems, it makes it possible for problems to be solved," says Freeman. "The Foundation has the luxury of flexibility and can underwrite experiments that can be enormously helpful long-term." This view of the Foundation, and Freeman's passion for nonprofits, is what helped make WYCF such a success. It is also a principle that continues to guide the Foundation today.



John F. Freeman and Lollie Benz Plank, pictured with WYCF President, Craig Showalter, were honored in 2014 for their dedication to nonprofits.

Discretionary Funds

Discretionary funds, or unrestricted funds, allow WYCF to address a broad range of local needs, including those that often cannot be anticipated when a gift is made. Unrestricted funds give us the ability to support long-term solutions; respond quickly to emergencies; and meet changing social, cultural, educational or environmental needs throughout Wyoming.

- Bessie Gardner
- Dudley Creek
- Ed Herschler
- Founder's Legacy
- Friends of Wyoming
- Jean M. Cerquoz
- Kresge
- LEK
- Saylak Family
- Unrestricted
- Working for Wyoming
- Wyoming Centennial Lasting Legacy

DISCRETIONARY FUNDS SUPPORT – \$209,149



\$67,500
Capacity Building



\$99,442
General Operating



\$30,307
Outreach & Education



\$11,900
Sponsorships

Key Club/Legacy Members

Key Club Members help to facilitate a major gift or the establishment of a new fund with WYCF.

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| Joseph M. Baron | Laurie H. Edwards | Chris Muirhead |
| Timothy O. Beppler | John W. Elliott | Nick Murdock |
| Robert G. Berger | Steve L. Hampton | Bill Omohundro |
| Joseph B. Bluemel | Donald B. Hansen | Donald P. Prehoda Jr. |
| Bradford C. Cary | Ed Hoffman | Darlene L. Reiter |
| Serena Cobb | Dennis M. Kirven | Randy L. Royal |
| James W. Core | David J. Kreycik | Steve Rucki |
| Tad Daly | Thomas N. Long | Stephen N. Sherard |
| Richard M. Davis Jr. | Catherine MacPherson | Francis E. Stevens |
| Greg Dyekman | Wendy Martin | William H. Vines |
| Christine Edwards | Douglas R. McLaughlin | Galen West |

Legacy Members establish a permanent endowment with WYCF through their estate plan, ensuring grants will be made in perpetuity to charities and causes important to them throughout Wyoming.

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| Bonnie Hunter | Kay Pappenheim |
| William and Teresa Ankeny | Anita Pinkham |
| Gary and Ann Cazin | Lollie Benz Plank |
| Charles and Muriel Chidsey | Greg and Martha Ptasnik |
| Paul Etchepare | Susan and Doug Samuelson |
| John F. Freeman | Press and Shirley Stephens |
| George and Linda Gault | Tommy and Betsy Wagner |
| James and Jenny Gersack | Roger L. Williams |
| Glyda May | Wayman Wing |
| George McKinley | Terry & Lynn Zumbrennen |

In 1990 the Woodrow and Glyda May Fund became the **FIRST** memorial fund.

The May's fund benefits nonprofits in Platte County and made its **FIRST** distribution to Project Safe in 1996.

BRYAN GROSS MEMORIAL FUND:

Giving Comes Full Circle

Ties run deep in small towns. Community members take time to celebrate successes, and drop everything to support one another when tragedy occurs. Amy Gross knows this personally. In 2011, Amy's husband Bryan, a deputy with the Converse County Sheriff's Department, attempted to rescue a young girl from the North Platte River. Recent floods had made the river swift and strong. The girl was saved, but Bryan didn't make it.

The loss hit the community hard, but the outpouring of support Amy and the rest of Bryan's family received was incredible. "I can't say enough," says Amy. "Wyoming is just an amazingly different place." Kind words and donations began coming in and the Gross' decided to honor Bryan by giving back to the communities he loved.

The family found the Wyoming Community Foundation to be a perfect fit for a fund in his honor. WYCF would take care of the "overwhelming amount of work" that would have gone into setting up a private foundation or nonprofit. This allowed the family to focus on the causes they cared most about – one of which was law enforcement.

"Bryan lived for being a police officer," says Amy, "and he dreamed of being in the K-9 Unit." His dream became a reality when he and his dog, Gus, were chosen to serve as the K-9 taskforce.

After Bryan passed away Gus stayed with Amy, providing her wonderful companionship, but also leaving a gap in the K-9 department at the sheriff's department.

Because of tremendous support received from the community, in 2014 the Bryan Gross Memorial Fund was able to grant the sheriff's department money to purchase a new K-9: Trigger. "Trigger has been great for the department and for the community," says Mark Dexter, Trigger's handler. Along with stopping crime, Trigger has brought countless smiles to the faces of folks in the community – something Bryan would be proud of.



Trigger worked

46

weeks in 2014.

As a narcotics dog, Trigger may complete up to

10-15

searches per day.

Trigger alerted police to narcotics

57 times

over the past year.



Trigger in uniform. Pictured above: Bryan Gross with Gus.

Donor Advised Funds

Donor advised funds allow donors an opportunity to support all of their varied philanthropic interests. Donors are welcome to actively participate in grantmaking to whatever extent they wish. A donor advised fund is an efficient and cost effective alternative to a private foundation.

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| 1st Bank | Dellas & Dorothy Larsen | Larry & Carol Chapman | The Children's |
| AA Anonymous | DGW | LEK | The Rice Family |
| American Association of University Women (AAUW) - Casper | Edelweiss Advocacy | Malcolm Wallop Memorial | Thermopolis Partners, LLC |
| Agape | Edelweiss Pass Through | Margery Barber Memorial | Waldner Family |
| Bobby Model | Edelweiss Endowment | Mark E. Quillinan Memorial | Wallick Family Foundation |
| Boyd Evison | Education | McMurry Library | William J. Kirven, Jr. |
| Boyle Family | Eldon M. Spicer | Meredith Family | Wong Gin Wing Family |
| Bryan Gross Memorial | French Creek | N Bar 5 | Woodrow & Glyda May |
| Carol & George B. McKinley | Gault Family | Nicholson Family Foundation | New Funds in 2014 |
| Charles & Penny Whiton | Georgene Hager Memorial | Pendergast Family | Curt Gowdy State Park Family |
| Chris & Julie Perry Family | Governor's Wildlife Youth Initiative | S. Wesley & Margaret F. Hyatt | David & Linda Kathka |
| Christine Gempp Love | Hazel Patterson Memorial | S.K. Johnston, Jr. Family | Ferguson Family |
| Crook County Council of County Services | Jackson Family Memorial | Sapp Family | Gilly Fales Family |
| Cyrus Family | James A. Anderson | Stone Family | Helena De Fina Community Wellness |
| Daly Family | John W. Hay, Jr. Family | Sue Jorgensen Library | Rick & Rebecca Howell |
| | Kemmi Creek | Susan McMurry Samuelson | |
| | Kim & Mary Kay Love Family | Tate Foundation | |

DAF GRANTS BY PROGRAM AREA – \$594,820



DAF GRANTS BY REGION – \$594,820





A Special Focus Area of the Wyoming Community Foundation, WYWF invests in economic self-sufficiency for women and opportunities for girls, with programs and grantmaking working toward that goal. The Wyoming Women's Foundation celebrated its 15 year anniversary in 2014.

\$31,000

Amount granted in 2014



\$715,968

Amount granted since 1999

6

Grants made in 2014

136

Grants made since 1999

6

Organizations granted to in 2014

76

Organizations granted to since 1999

Wyoming Women's Antelope Hunt: WYWF created the Hunt to promote camaraderie and mentorship for women through hunting. The annual event raises awareness about, and funds for, WYWF.



In 2014

32

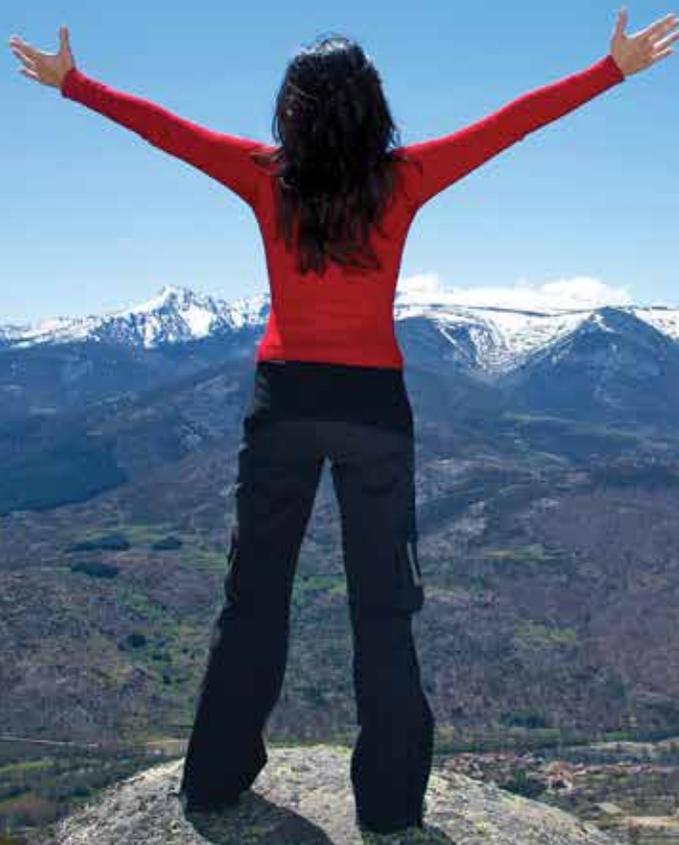
hunters participated

30

harvested pronghorn

In two years the event has raised over

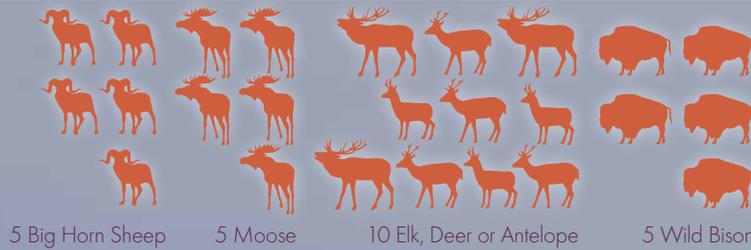
\$120,000



The Wyoming Community Foundation for Wildlife has been a Special Focus Area of WYCF since 2012. WYCF - Wildlife creates an enduring natural legacy for future generations through stewardship of all Wyoming's wildlife.

25

Number of Wyoming Governor's Big Game License Coalition (WGBGLC) licenses distributed in 2014



70

Number of licenses distributed since 2012

\$658,200

Amount raised from WGBGLC in 2014

\$1,735,850

Amount raised since 2012

Old West Invitational Turkey Shoot (OWITS):

The event raises funds for both the Greater Hulett Community Center and WYCF - Wildlife, while also promoting wildlife conservation.



A portion of the monies raised from OWITS helped fund the Mesa Fencing Project

Mesa Fencing Project:

WYCF - Wildlife began implementing 45 miles of wildlife-friendly fencing in the Mesa area outside of Pinedale. The project aims to protect Wyoming's hooved wildlife from fence entanglement, a problem in the area.



\$143,414

Amount raised from the OWITS

\$334,163

Amount raised since 2012

\$500,000

Amount raised for completion

Summer

2015 completion date



Geographic & Field of Interest Funds

Field of interest funds can be used to support a specific cause or community. WYCF staff, local boards and advisory committees actively seek projects and encourage proposals which fit the donor established criteria of these funds.

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| 21st Century Fund for Uinta County | Evanston Senior Citizens | Park County Endowment | Upper Green River Sustainable Communities Endowment | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Wildlife Memorial Bear |
| Absaroka Elk | Eyas Foundation | Park County Pass Through | Upper Green River Sustainable Communities Endowment | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Obligated Interest Share Fund #68 |
| Ames Monument Face-Lift | Fred A. Earl | Rock Springs Area Community Foundation Administration | Upper Green River Sustainable Communities Pass Through | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Oreo Program |
| Aquatic Habitat Maintenance | Gayle McMurry Kinnison | Rock Springs Area Community Foundation Endowment | Upper Wind River Valley | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Safari Club International Drive Galles Whisky Mountain |
| Arlene & Louise Wesswick | Georgene Hager Community | Rock Springs Area Community Foundation Pass Through | Willard G. McNamara Memorial | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Species in Decline |
| Beatrice Vandenberg Memorial | Give Sheridan-Johnson Counties | Rock Springs Area Community Foundation Pass Through | Wyoming Community Foundation for Wildlife (WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i>) - Access | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Taylor Reservoir Baker Energy |
| Big Piney-Marbleton Area | Gordon & Edna Sykes | Rock Springs Area Community Foundation Pass Through | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Access Recognition Program | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Trail Lake Camp |
| BP Communities | Governor's Wildlife Youth Initiative | Rock Springs Area Community Foundation Pass Through | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Archery Program | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Turkey Shoot Past Shooters |
| Campbell County | J. Sullivan Livable Community | Rock Springs Area Community Foundation Pass Through | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Conservation Education | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - WY Outdoor Wall of Fame |
| Casper Area Community Foundation Endowment | Kemmerer Foundation | Schneider | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Eagle Migration | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - WY Ranches & Wildlife |
| Casper Area Community Foundation Pass Through | Kendig Legacy | Sheridan-Johnson Community Foundation Endowment | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - EXPO | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - WY Wild Bear Statewide |
| Clarence & Gretchen Hutchison Educational | Kenneth Revland Estate | Sheridan-Johnson Community Foundation Pass Through | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Forensic | Wyoming State Parks & Cultural Resources |
| Clarence & Mary Samuels | Lander Beautification | The Albin Field of Interest | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Frenchie Draw Habitat Management | Wyoming State Parks |
| Credit Bureau Services of Cheyenne | Laramie County Community Foundation | The Bree Promise | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - General Endowment | Wyoming Women's Foundation Antelope Hunt |
| Dubois Area Community Foundation Endowment | McCarthy Social Services | The Endowment for Advocacy for Visual Arts | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Hunter Safety & Archery | Wyoming Women's Foundation Endowment |
| Dubois Area Community Foundation Pass Through | McMurry Library | The Story Community Endowment | WYCF - <i>Wildlife</i> - Wildlife Marathon SG Cody | |
| Ellis & Nellie Patch Endowment Fund for Individuals with Disabilities | Meeteetse Community | The Story Community Pass Through | | |
| Evanston Community Foundation | Moyer Foundation | Tony Cate | | |
| | | Union Presbyterian Church (Evanston) | | |

GEOGRAPHIC & FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS – \$1,574,000



WYCF AND THE WOLD FAMILY ARENA:

Facilitating Opportunity for the Community

John Wold's passion for hockey is as strong now, as it was during his Union College Days of the 1930's. A former varsity hockey player himself, Wold believes the teamwork and discipline the sport teaches goes beyond the arena and into the real world. The values hockey taught Wold were a huge part of his life, which is why he shared his and his family's dream of building a professional grade ice arena in Casper, with WYCF president, Craig Showalter and City Manager, John Patterson.

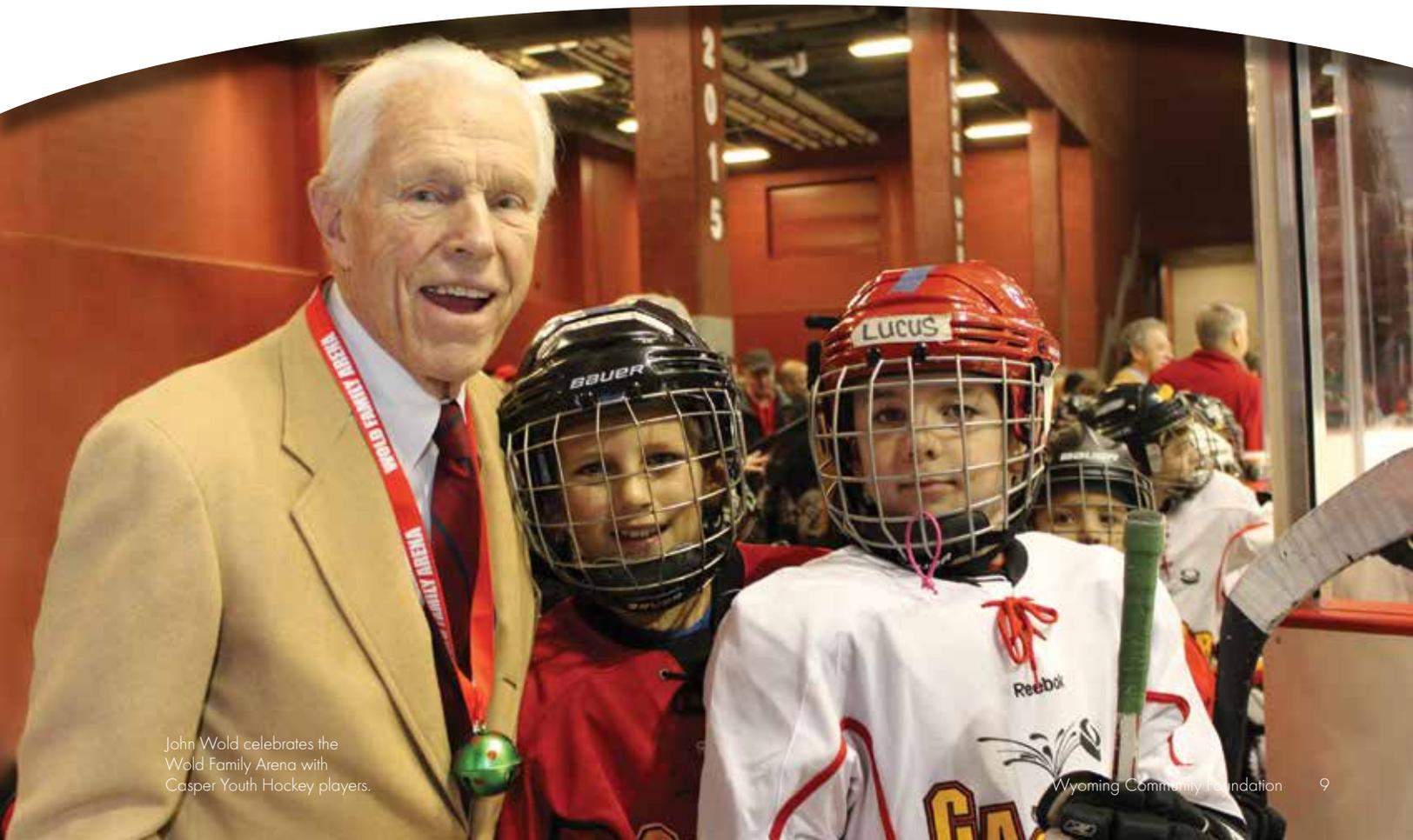
The Wold family envisioned a new arena would benefit Wyoming in a number of ways. It would bring in professional ice shows - exposing its young figure skaters to high caliber performers. A semi-professional hockey team could call Casper home as well. The biggest vision for use of the ice though, was providing youth teams, whose crammed practices were running as late as 10:00pm due to lack of ice space, with an additional venue.

WYCF recognized the impact Wold's dream could have on Wyoming's communities- from its youth programs to providing entertainment for families. The Foundation began facilitating a deal between the City of Casper and the Wold family which resulted in a commitment of \$1 million from the Wolds and additional \$1.9 million from the City of Casper to build an arena to be housed at the Casper Event's Center. In under a year the facility was built and is ready to use.

The Wold Family Ice Arena is already a huge success: youth hockey has more space, ice shows have been scheduled, and a deal to bring a semi-pro team to Casper is very close.

Craig Showalter, WYCF president, is proud to have helped make the Wold family's dream a reality. "We recognize that our donors are passionate about making a difference in the community. We make it a point to do everything we can to support those passions."

Today WYCF not only establishes funds and distributes grants, it is a conduit for building community.



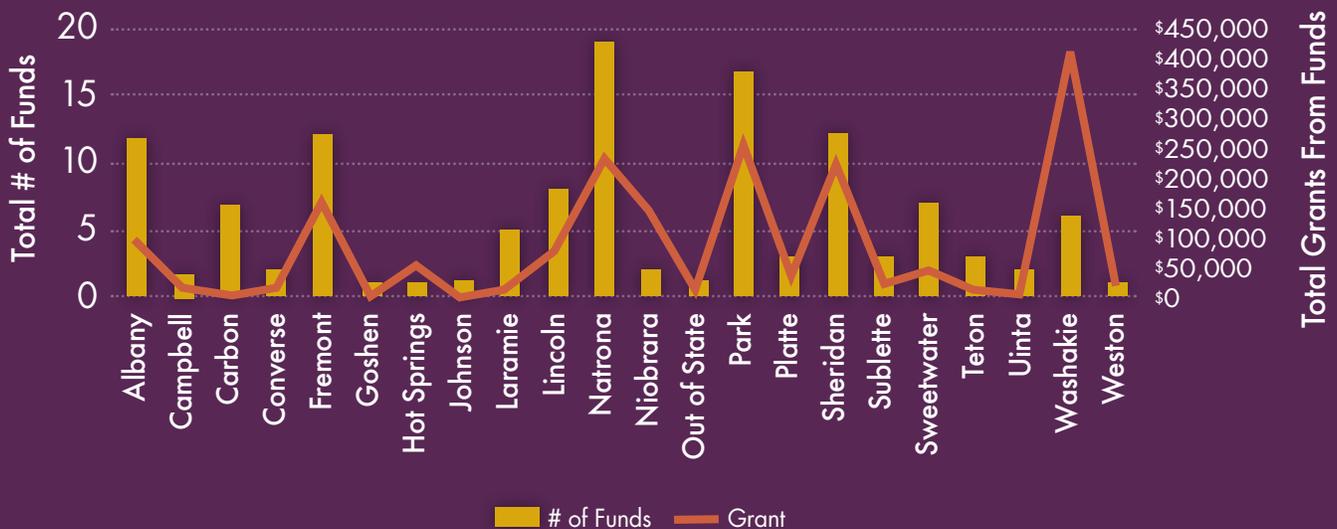
John Wold celebrates the Wold Family Arena with Casper Youth Hockey players.

Designated Agency Endowment Funds

Nonprofits who establish an agency endowment fund with WYCF build long-term financial stability and enhance their capacity to accept large and/or complex gifts. Organizations and donors can establish an agency endowment fund for a specific nonprofit organization or direct a gift to an existing WYCF endowment fund.

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| Advocacy & Resource Center | Casper Family YMCA | Evanston Urban Renewal |
| American Guild of English Hand Bell Ringers (Area XI) | Castle Rock Hospital District | Fort Phil Kearny/Bozeman |
| American Legion Oratorical | Centennial Project Maintenance | Fossil Country Museum |
| Art Piz | Central Wyoming Rescue Mission | Fossil Country Museum #2 |
| ARTCORE | Child Advocacy Services of the Big Horns | Friends of Cheyenne Botanic Gardens |
| Buffalo Bill Historical Center (BBHC) | Community Entry Services | Friends of Natrona County Library |
| Artist in Residence | Converse County Library Foundation | Gertrude & Harold H. Link Memorial |
| BBHC Internship | Cordelia Peck Fund for the Arts | Grand Encampment Opera House |
| BBHC Library Acquisitions | Craig Thomas Guardians of the Range | Green River Valley Museum |
| Boys & Girls Club of Central Wyoming | Crisis Intervention Services | Harold Eppson Trust |
| Boys & Girls Club of Campbell County | Dancer's Workshop | Hearing Impaired Assistance |
| Boys & Girls Club of Eastern Shoshone | Dennison Lodge | Historic Sheridan Inn |
| Boys & Girls Club of Park County | Dubois Friends of the Library | Holy Trinity Episcopal Church |
| CamPlex Arts in Education | Dubois Museum CM Ranch | Hospice of Laramie |
| CamPlex Family Series | Dubois Volunteers, Inc. (DVI) | Howard Smith Estate |
| Carbon County Museum Foundation | Edward J. Redle Memorial Foundation | Ione Lewis Hruza |
| Casper Alliance for Children & Youth | Etoquinnow | Wind River Reservation |
| Casper Artists' Guild | | J. David & Jane Love |
| | | J.L.K. Jr. Fossil Museum |

AGENCY ENDOWMENTS – NEARLY \$1.9 MILLION



\$1,875,607

was distributed
from agency
endowed funds
in 2014.

Joe & Mary Back Memorial
Kathleen Henry Rescue Mission
LaGrange Community Endowment
Laramie Community Recreation Center
Laramie Reproductive Health
Lincoln County Library Foundation
Lincoln-Uinta County Child
Development Association
Louise & Joseph Payne Scholarship
Make-A-Wish Foundation of Wyoming
McMurry Children's Hospital
Medicine Bow Museum
Mercer House
Michael S. Vase Memorial
Murie Audubon Society
Museum of the Mountain Man
National Bighorn Sheep
Interpretive Association
Natrona County Council Parent
Teacher Association
Natrona County Library Foundation
New Hope Humane Society
New Hope Humane Society #2
Newton Lakes & Sport Fisheries
Nicolaysen Art Museum
Niobrara County Library Foundation
Niobrara County Library Foundation #2
Niobrara County Library Foundation #3
Northern Wyoming Mental
Health Center
Older & Bolder Club #2
Older & Bolder Club #3
Older & Bolder Club
Park County Animal Shelter
Park County Arts Council
Paul Stock Administrative
Paul Stock Aquatics
Pinedale Fine Arts Council
Pinedale Pre-School

Platte County Community
Platte County Library
Platte River Parkway Trust
Project Safe - Platte County Family
Violence & Sexual Assault
Rainbow Rescues
Rangeland Legacy
Rawlins Community Association
Rhonda Shipp Leadership Endowment,
Park County Leadership
Rock Springs Hospice
Rock Springs
Secondary Schools
Saratoga Historical &
Cultural Association
Sheridan County YMCA
Kresge Challenge
Snowy Range Academy
South Lincoln Training & Event Center
South Pass City Historic Site
St. Alban's Church
Sweetwater County Child
Development Center
Sweetwater County Library Foundation
Sweetwater County Library
Foundation II
Sweetwater County Museum
Terry Killough/Springer Wildlife Habitat
Teton Science School/Murie Museum
Teton Youth & Family Services
The Library Foundation
The Museum of the American West
Thomas the Apostle Center
Tongue River Valley Community Center
Ucross Foundation
Uinta County Library Foundation
University of Wyoming Art Museum
Very Special Arts (VSA) of Wyoming
Wamsutter Day Care
Washakie County Library Foundation

Washakie
Museum
Waterman Blue
Envelope Health
Webb Wright Baseball
Foundation
Western Technical Institute
of Technology
Weston County Library Foundation
WYO Theater Foundation
Wyoming Agriculture in the Classroom
Wyoming Community Coalition
for Health
Wyoming Congressional Award
Wyoming Historical Foundation
Wyoming Humanities
Wyoming Music
Teachers' Association
Wyoming PBS Foundation
Wyoming Reproductive Health Council
Wyoming Symphony Orchestra
Wyoming Territorial Park Living Legacy
Wyoming Wildlife Federation/
Jespersen Memorial
Wyoming Women's
Foundation Administrative
Youth Fund - Sheridan
County YMCA

**Designated Agency Endowment
Fund Created in 2014**

Dubois Sno-Katers

OUR HISTORY

In its 25 years, the Wyoming Community Foundation has granted \$44.5 million to nonprofits in every county of the state. It has grown and evolved, making it the thriving organization it is today.

1989

May 1, 1989: Establishment of the Wyoming Community Foundation and initial board of directors: Former Governor Ed Herschler; Lollie Benz Plank; John Gramlich, MD; Gayle Weaver; Dick Hartman; and Peg Coe

First grants distributed totaling \$117,200



John F. Freeman serves as first WYCF President

1990

US West invests \$140,000 for first two years of operations as its birthday gift in celebration of Wyoming's centennial

UW Foundation offers space for first WYCF office



1991

Paul Stock Foundation issues \$500,000 challenge grant to establish a \$1 million administrative endowment fund for WYWF. The challenge was met in 30 days!

WYCF establishes the first local board in Casper



Casper Area

2003

George Gault succeeds John Freeman as WYCF president



2004

WYCF incubates statewide nonprofits needed to address significant community issues including Serve Wyoming, Wyoming Nonprofit Network and Wyoming Housing Network

2006

Wyoming Women's Foundation has first full-time director

1994

WYCF hosts its first Wyoming Philanthropy Days, a biennial conference to strengthen Wyoming's nonprofit community



PHILANTHROPY DAYS
Helping Wyoming's Nonprofits Grow

1996

For first time, WYCF grants more than **\$500,000** to Wyoming nonprofits

1998

WYCF moves its office to the First Interstate Bank building, Laramie

Lollie Plank establishes first unrestricted endowment fund, allowing WYCF to make grants to the entire spectrum of nonprofits



1999

Merle Chambers, Chambers Family Fund, issues a \$500,000 challenge to WYCF in order to establish the Wyoming Women's Foundation as a special focus area of the WYCF; the challenge is met in 2004



2000

Following sale of the Jonah Field, three members of the McMurry family establish endowment funds totaling more than \$5 million

WYCF is one of six community foundations nationwide competitively selected to participate in the Kresge Foundation's "Partnership to Raise Community Capital, a three year program which incentivized local nonprofits to raise endowment dollars with a 3:1 match. WYCF and 18 nonprofit partners raise 6.4 million and receive matching funds of 1.67 million from the Kresge Foundation

For first time, WYCF grants more than **\$1 million** to nonprofits

2007

WYCF meets all certification requirements of the Council on Foundations



2011

Craig Showalter succeeds George Gault as WYCF president



2012

Wyoming Community Foundation - Wildlife (formerly the Wildlife Heritage Foundation, established by the Wyoming Game & Fish Department) transfers funds to WYCF, establishing itself as a special focus area of the Foundation



Wildlife

2013

WYCF assets surpass **\$100 million**

2014

With savings and a generous gift, WYCF purchases permanent headquarters at 1472 N. 5th Street in Laramie

Wyoming Heritage Foundation and Wyoming Business Alliance recognize WYCF in its "Tributes to Philanthropy"

WYCF celebrates its 25th anniversary and for the first time, grants more than **\$4.5 million** to nonprofits



In 1989 Casper became the
FIRST WYCF Local
Board.

It distributed its grants of nearly **FIRST**
\$20,000 in 1990-1991.

SUBLETTE SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVE:

Providing Nonprofits the Tools to Make a Difference

WYCF knows the impact that a dollar makes to the livelihood of nonprofits. We also know thriving organizations are those who understand their role in the community and have a well-laid path for the future.

In 2014, the Wyoming Community Foundation partnered with Shell Oil and Gas Exploration Corporation to support a pilot project in Sublette County to assist nonprofits in mapping out a path for sustainability. The initiative provided organizations a six-month training - free-of-charge - to create thoughtful sustainability plans. Those who committed to the project would be eligible to earn grant money based on the quality of their plans. The training would be top-notch with The Foundation Center, a premier international organization for nonprofits, providing the majority of the training.

Twenty-one organizations participated and MESA Therapeutic Horsemanship came out as one of the front-runners in the category of nonprofits with an operating budget of under \$100,000.

Carla Sullivan is the executive director of MESA, which provides horse-assisted activities and therapies to those with physical, mental and behavioral challenges. She has incredible success stories and the sustainability training helped her learn how to frame those stories for grantwriting and fundraising – two things integral to success in the nonprofit world. Sullivan also believes the training helped MESA better communicate the work they do. “It made us stop and think about what our goals are and gave us a new perspective.” MESA’s biggest goal is for a new building. WYCF believes that with the work the group devoted to creating a solid sustainability plan, their goal will be reached.



MESA earned **\$3,500**
for the best fundraising
plan and the best “ask”
for an organization with
an operating budget
under \$100,000.

Local Boards and Advisory Committees

WYCF Local Boards are made up of thoughtful individuals who recognize needs in their community, encourage partnerships and initiate activities to benefit their region. They work together to make a difference. WYCF works hand-in-hand with local boards as they review grant applications and implement asset development plans to foster growth. Give where you live by making a donation to the local board in your area.

WYCF - Casper Area: Established in 1989, this was WYCF's first local board. WYCF - Casper advises on six funds and makes grant recommendations for both Natrona and Converse Counties. In 2014, the Casper Area Local Board granted **\$242,500** to 18 area nonprofits.

- Casper Area Community Foundation Endowment Fund
- Casper Area Community Foundation Opportunities Fund
- Grace Amspoker Fund
- Janet C. and Richard S. Schneider Fund
- Tony Cate Fund
- Willard G. McNamara Fund

WYCF - Dubois Area:

Established in 2008, WYCF - Dubois advises on two funds impacting nonprofits in the Dubois and Crowheart areas. In 2014 WYCF-Dubois was challenged to raise \$10,000 which would be matched by the WYCF state board. Three local donors also committed \$15,000 if the challenge was met. Because of community support, WYCF-Dubois reached their goal and will have **\$35,000** to distribute in 2015.

- Dubois Area Community Foundation Endowment Fund
- Dubois Area Community Foundation Opportunities Fund

WYCF - Evanston Area:

Established in 1996, the Evanston Area Local Board advises on three funds and partners with local nonprofits to host two annual fundraising events: the Valentine's Ball and the Carol McKinley & Albert Bradbury Memorial Golf Tournament. In 2014, the Evanston Area Local Board granted **\$27,393** to six area nonprofits.

- 21st Century Fund for Uinta County
- Evanston Community Foundation Opportunities Fund
- Wong Gin Wing Family Donor Advised Fund

WYCF - Rock Springs Area:

Established in 1991, the Rock Springs Area Local Board primarily serves the areas of Rock Springs and Green River. It advises on six funds. WYCF - Rock Springs raised **\$10,000** to support the Wyoming State Spelling Bee in 2014. Students from across the state participated in the Bee and the top three finishers earned cash prizes for proving their knowledge with the winner advancing to Washington D.C. for the National Bee.

- Clarence and Mary Samuels Fund
- Dorothy and Dellas Larsen Fund
- Rock Springs Area Opportunities Fund
- Rock Springs Area Community Foundation Administrative Fund
- Rock Springs Area Community Foundation Endowment Fund
- Rock Springs Quarter Back Club, Willie Lopez Memorial Fund

WYCF - Sheridan-Johnson:

Established in 1997, this local board is actively engaged in grantmaking in both Sheridan and Johnson Counties and advises on four funds. In 2014, the Sheridan-Johnson Local Board granted **\$63,948** to 10 nonprofit organizations.

- Sheridan-Johnson Opportunities Fund
- Sheridan-Johnson Area Endowment Fund

- Meredith Family Fund
- N Bar 5 Endowment Fund

Sublette: Established in 2005, this local board advises on four funds impacting all of Sublette County. In 2014 the Sublette Local Board granted **\$109,578** to 18 nonprofit organizations.

- Big Piney/Marbleton Opportunities Fund
- Gayle McMurry Kinnison Endowment Fund
- Upper Green River Opportunities Fund
- Upper Green River Sustainable Communities Endowment Fund

Wyoming Community Foundation Advisory Committees

Advisory committees most often make grant recommendations for one fund restricted to a specific community or field of interest. WYCF advises five of these committees.

BP Communities Fund: The BP Communities Fund was established in 2007 for the betterment of the Wamsutter community. In 2014 BP Communities advisory committee distributed **\$9,000** to one nonprofit organization.

Gordon & Edna Sykes

Endowment Fund: The Sykes Fund was established by bequest from Gordon and Edna Sykes in 2006. The Sykes fund benefits the communities of South Big Horn County by supporting an array of charitable activities. In 2014 the Sykes advisory committee distributed **\$33,204** to four organizations.

Kemmerer Foundation Fund: The Kemmerer Foundation Fund was established at WYCF in 1999

Over
\$645,000
was granted from
WYCF Local Boards
and advisory
committees.

by John L. Kemmerer, Jr. This fund benefits the areas of Kemmerer, Diamondville and the area of Lincoln County known as Frontier. In 2014 the Kemmerer Foundation advisory committee distributed **\$63,758** to three nonprofit organizations.

McMurry Library Endowment

Fund: The McMurry Library Endowment Fund was established by Carol McMurry in 2001. This fund benefits public libraries in Wyoming. Proceeds of the fund support libraries and continuing education opportunities for librarians. In 2014 the McMurry Library advisory committee distributed **\$57,676** to 37 individual Wyoming librarians and two libraries.

Hazel Patterson Donor Advised

Endowment Fund: The Hazel Patterson Memorial Endowment Fund was established as a trust in 1989 and transferred to WYCF in 2009. The fund works to improve the quality of life for residents of Johnson County. In 2014 the Hazel Patterson advisory committee distributed \$37,949 to four nonprofit organizations in Johnson County.



25 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

CONNECTING COMMUNITIES

Leading the nonprofit community for 25 years.



DISTRIBUTING GRANTS

In 2014 WYCF granted \$4.7 million, and has donated \$44.5 million in its 25 years to nonprofits throughout Wyoming.

BUILDING CONNECTIONS

We work with nonprofits and our donors to maximize impact and collaborate on community issues.

TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT

We guide organizations in their fundraising efforts and are a resource for nonprofits, volunteers, staff and board members.

CELEBRATING THE POWER OF VOLUNTEERS

WYCF has an extensive network of more than 300 incredible volunteers working to help build a better Wyoming.

SUPPORTING PARTNERS & PROGRAMS

WYCF has over 600 nonprofit grantee partners. We continue to support the special focus areas of Women and Girls, Wildlife and Afterschool programs.

WYOMING PHILANTHROPY DAYS:

Nonprofits Coming Together for a Better Wyoming

There are thousands of people working across Wyoming to make our state a better place. They are the nonprofit heroes – organizations, individuals and businesses – who ensure worthy causes are given a voice. The Wyoming Community Foundation hosts Wyoming Philanthropy Days (WPD), as a way to support those who are working to build better communities.

Nonprofits have a tremendous impact on communities, which is why Philanthropy Days was first created. In 1994 WPD was an informal forum for philanthropists and nonprofits to network and generate ideas, and to discuss Wyoming's needs.

Philanthropy Days continues to offer the opportunity for grantmakers, grantseekers and donors to come together. As attendee Rae Lynn Job noted, "The networking that takes place will lead to long term working relationships among organizations that will ultimately benefit the people of Wyoming." It goes beyond that though, to include exceptional opportunities for professional development. Attendees walk away from the conference motivated and armed with the tools to create change.

The Wyoming Community Foundation believes in Wyoming Philanthropy Days. It connects people and gives nonprofits the tools they need to succeed, meaning we are all working together to build a better Wyoming.

WYCF hosted its **FIRST** Wyoming Philanthropy Days in 1994.

The event was held in Casper with its **FIRST** attendees totaling approximately 120.



In 2014
256
people
attended WPD.

Scholarship Funds

Scholarship funds give donors a way to impact Wyoming's future by assisting students as they further their education. WYCF holds 31 active scholarship funds that support students attending school in Wyoming and throughout the nation.

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Carlie Ausmann
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Dakota McCormack
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Leina Nishida
Rishell Lizasuain

Burlington Alumni

Mikayla Cook
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Landon George
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Camilla Jensen
Eliza McIntosh
Garrick Tolman
Taylor Wiles
Lisa Winters

Cody Youth Council

Emma Constantine
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Crook County Council Academic Grant

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Ed + JOB = \$

Eleven individuals enrolled in programs of CLIMB Wyoming.

Edelle Pirtle Job's Daughter Bethel 48

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\$205,895

was awarded to
over 130 students

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Summarized Financial Information

Statements of Financial Position

| Current Assets | 2014 | 2013 |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | 6,884,293 | 3,153,451 |
| Investments | 106,289,871 | 104,514,320 |
| Other receivables and other assets | 9,412 | 161,821 |
| Prepaid expenses | 34,288 | 19,168 |
| Property & Equipment, net | 605,089 | 575,698 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 113,822,953 | 108,424,458 |
| Liabilities and Net Assets | | |
| Accounts payable | 200,920 | 230,376 |
| Accrued expenses | 27,355 | 30,962 |
| Grants payable | 1,974,405 | 1,120,565 |
| Security Deposits - Tenants | 500 | 750 |
| Note Payable - Building | 0 | 293,411 |
| Funds held as agency endowments | 16,540,048 | 16,100,178 |
| Funds held in trust | 8,461,212 | 9,007,234 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 27,204,440 | 26,783,476 |
| TOTAL NET ASSETS - UNRESTRICTED | 86,618,513 | 81,640,982 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS | 113,822,953 | 108,424,458 |

Statements of Activities

| Support and Revenue | 2014 Total | 2013 Total |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Contributions | 7,939,505 | 8,882,309 |
| Amounts received for agency endowments | (742,585) | (1,100,120) |
| Other Income | 1,515,371 | 1,190,039 |
| Investment Income | 3,359,999 | 12,489,225 |
| TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE | 12,072,290 | 21,461,453 |
| Expenses | | |
| Grants | 3,840,690 | 3,179,597 |
| Grants made from agency endowments | (749,342) | (431,536) |
| Grants made from WGBGLC funds | (521,358) | (488,032) |
| Administration | 470,287 | 444,104 |
| Program Expense | 2,964,504 | 2,183,887 |
| Fundraising Expenses | 343,227 | 384,596 |
| Investment fees | 225,393 | 204,566 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | 7,094,759 | 5,965,214 |
| CHANGE IN NET ASSETS | 4,977,531 | 15,496,239 |
| NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR | 81,640,982 | 66,144,743 |
| NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR | 86,618,513 | 81,640,982 |

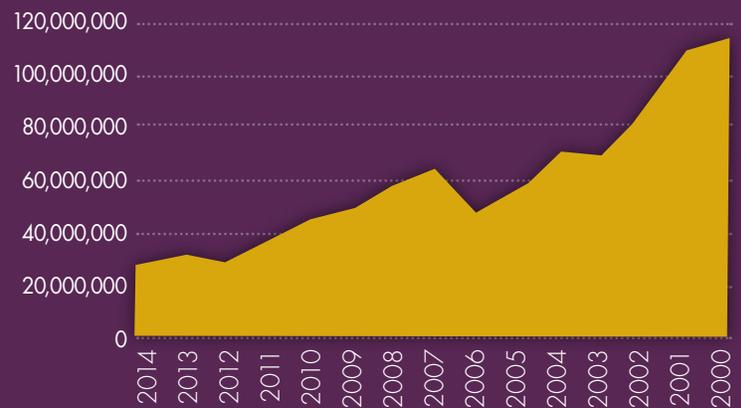
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Common Pool Return S&P 500 Return

15 YEARS OF TOTAL ASSET GROWTH



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