



Season's Greetings from the Jessica Stevens Community Foundation

2013 was a remarkable year for the Jessica Stevens Community Foundation. Our unrestricted endowment now stands at over \$312,000. We are pleased to share some of this year's notable events with you, our donors.



On Sharing

With your support, we surpassed previous records in giving to our local communities. Jessica Stevens Community Foundation granted over \$11,200 to non-profit organizations providing valuable services throughout the area.

Our 2013 grantees include: **Denali Arts Council, Sunshine Transit, Upper Susitna Seniors' Meals on Wheels, USSWD Youth Corp, Northern Susitna Institute**, and support for arts programs at **Talkeetna Elementary School** and **Trapper Creek Elementary School**. All these organizations submitted laudable proposals to our competitive Healthy Communities Grant Program. We felt they shared Jess's vision for creating healthy communities through compassionate health care, innovative education, social engagement, active enjoyment of the natural environment, and creative artistic expression. Since 2008, we have granted \$43,900 from the earnings of our endowment.

In January 2013, we delivered a special \$1,000 grant to the Northern Susitna Institute (NSI) for their building fund. As of this December, they have nearly met their goal to purchase their Talkeetna facility.

In September, we teamed with NSI to bring the Foraker Board Training to a full house interested in maximizing volunteer potential on boards and leadership teams throughout the Upper Susitna Valley.



On Receiving

Our endowment and Memorial Fund grew this year. We are humbled by your generous and giving spirit! Individual donors and local businesses responded liberally during the **donor reception and silent auction, at Jessica's Rose Day** celebrations, and as a result of appeals made in the newsletters. Your incredible contributions added \$11,275 to the unrestricted endowment and Memorial fund, enabling us to surpass the 2013 Rasmuson Challenge. Your donations will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$10,000.

Pick.Click.Give. donations represented the single largest boost in community support. Our sincere gratitude and thanks to the 56 individuals and anonymous donors who gave through Pick.Click.Give. This excellent program facilitates efficient giving and receiving for many local organizations. We hope you remember us when you make your Pick.Click.Give. selections in 2014.

In all, we have added 40 new names to our donor list in the past twelve months through 165 separate gifts.



On Change

Two of our founding board members have finished their board tenure, Robert Ambrose and Joe Page. Without their vision and inspiration, the foundation would likely never have been started. While both promise to remain involved, they will be greatly missed by the steering committee.

We are proud to welcome a new member - Cici Schoenberger - who brings much experience and fresh enthusiasm to the group.

The JSCF website is more extensive and better than ever, thanks to the efforts of The Alaska Community Foundation. Check us out at www.jessicastevenscf.org. Giving on line has never been easier!



On Being Grateful

The Jessica Stevens Community Foundation Steering Committee is thankful for your support, the support of The Alaska Community Foundation, and Rasmuson Foundation. We love living in the Upper Susitna Valley – where so many share so much. As the endowment grows through your generosity, so also grows our ability to reach out to our community and help our friends and neighbors.

Thank you for your continued support. May you have a most joyous 2014.

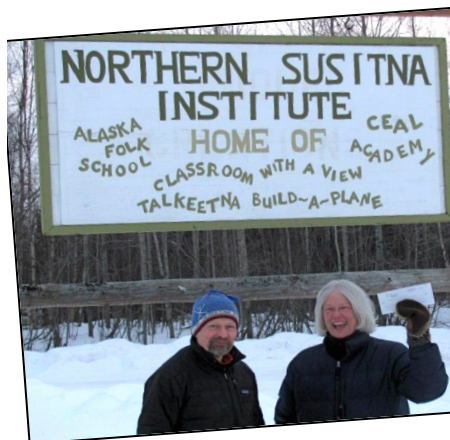
2013 Highlights



**Sunshine Transit Coalition
Trapper Creek Pre-school
Upper Susitna Soil and Water Conservation's
Youth Conservation Corp
Northern Susitna Institute's Build A Plane Project
Sunshine Station Childcare Center
Talkeetna Elementary PTA
Sunshine Community Health Clinic
Fireweed Arts Council
KTNA Community Radio
Classroom with a View
Denali Arts Council
Friends of the Talkeetna Library
Talkeetna Community Council's Playground Project
Cook Inlet Keepers
Talkeetna Historical Society
Northern Susitna Institute
Upper Susitna Food Bank
Trapper Creek Elementary
Upper Susitna Seniors**

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Our grants are helping build healthier communities in the Northern Susitna Valley



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