

Organization: **Blaine County Education Foundation**
 Project Title: **BCEF Programs and Growth**
 Grant Amount: **\$35,000**

- 1) **Scholarships:** Objectives: To create a database on our website that would allow valley wide access to local scholarship information and to host the first annual scholarship fair.
 Results: Listed local scholarships in a booklet with information about all local scholarships. The local number of scholarships available to student’s valley wide increased to add an additional 26 scholarships, 11 new scholarships managed by BCEF. One donation for 8 new scholarships available to students valley wide forced BCEF to revise our Bylaws allowing us to accept donor advised donations providing support in Blaine County. The scholarship fair was a huge success. The Fair was inclusive of public and private schools and encouraged students from 8th grade to seniors to attend. We had over 350 people attend the scholarship fair. The surveys conducted at eh fair had positive praise and suggested different ways to format the managers at the fair.
Innovating Grants: 68 teacher grants awarded and 10 school wide grants awarded. These both increased from 32 teacher grants and 4 school wide grants awarded in 2018-2019.
Education Enhancement program: Provided a new social skills class to 10 middle school students.
Marketing and salary support: Centerlyne updated our website

- 2) **Impact:**
 The Scholarship Fair was had a huge impact for BCEF and raising awareness within the community. The fair allowed us to bridge public and private schools, which will continue to grow relations and efforts to support students with their post-secondary dreams. The Scholarship Fair was a revelation in the amount of time, energy and coordination that it demanded from the Ed and the board members. We had a fantastic committee, which were “go getters” that had to meet weekly to pull together a beautiful and successful event. BCEF had to revise our bylaws in order to accept a donation to support students’ valley wide. The demographics of students that applied for local scholarships did increase and vary. The number of students that applied for scholarships and did not receive any scholarships slightly decreased from 30% to 28%. While learning about local scholarships, students honed their interaction, people skills while mingling with managers.

3) **Photos** - Attached 4) **Budget**

Expense Type	Amt Req from WRWF	Est Amt of Expense	Actual Amt Spent
ED salary	\$5,000	\$40,000	\$49,000
Marketing	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$11,477
Scholarships	\$5,000	\$6,000	\$7,279
Education Enhancement	\$10,000	\$40,000	\$13,230 *
Innovative grants	\$10,000	\$30,000	\$34,838
TOTAL	\$35,000	\$126,000	\$115,824

**Education Enhancement is still pending final cost. We expect an invoice from the school district for the second semester of costs for the WRMS Homework Study Club, BES Homework Club and Hemingway Homework Club. Only WRMS continued through distance learning after school closure. I expect the total cost to be \$26,460. COVID had an impact on our final expenses.

Photos:



Attentive Students



VOICE II Cooking Teacher Grant



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