

Avista Foundation awards 40 grants supporting education and youth development

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In 2024 so far, the Avista Foundation has awarded more than \$385,750 through its grant program.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 23, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The Avista Foundation is awarding \$201,750 in grants to 40 nonprofit organizations in Washington, Idaho, and Oregon to support education and youth development.

"Together with our partners, we are making a difference in the lives of young people. Avista is proud to support the vital programs and organizations that nurture, educate, and uplift our youth," said Dennis Vermillion, Avista CEO.

The second-quarter grants support a diverse range of organizations and programs. A few examples include:

- Providing scholarships for childcare programs and summer camps at the **Northeast Youth Center** in Spokane, Wash.
- Supplying shoes for children in Lewiston, Idaho through LC Crew's shoe drive.
- Helping the **Boys and Girls Club of the Rogue Valley** in Southern Oregon expand its science, technology, engineering, the arts and math (STEAM) program.

The full list of second-quarter awards includes:

Name	State	Award
Active4Youth	Washington	\$4,000
Arts Alliance Inc.	Idaho	\$2,500
Asotin County Library Foundation	Washington	\$1,500
Believe in Me	Washington	\$3,000
Boy Scouts of America Inland Northwest Council	Washington	\$5,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Rogue Valley	Oregon	\$2,500
College Success Foundation	Washington	\$20,000
Columbia Basin Foundation	Washington	\$2,000
Community Colleges of Spokane Foundation	Washington	\$5,000
Create Your Statement	Washington	\$1,000
Crossing Bridges Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc.	Oregon	\$2,500
Eastern Washington University Foundation	Washington	\$9,000
Generation Alive	Washington	\$3,000
Girl Scouts of Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho	Washington	\$2,500
Gonzaga University	Washington	\$72,000
Idaho STEM Action Center Foundation	Idaho	\$1,500
Inland Northwest Farmers Market Association (INWFMA)	Washington	\$3,500
Junior Achievement of Washington	Washington	\$2,000
Kaniksu Land Trust Inc.	Idaho	\$3,000
Klamath Falls CASA	Oregon	\$5,000
LC Crew, Inc	Idaho	\$500
Lewiston Independent Foundation for Education	Idaho	\$10,000
Millwood Impact	Washington	\$1,250
Northeast Youth Center	Washington	\$2,500
Northwest Youth Corps dba Idaho Conservation Corps	Idaho	\$2,000
Palouse Discovery Science Center	Washington	\$2,000
Panhandle Alliance for Education	Idaho	\$500
Peak 7 Adventures	Washington	\$2,000
Quality Behavioral Health	Washington	\$3,000
Reach Out and Read Northwest	Washington	\$1,500
Sandpoint Youth Center Inc.	Idaho	\$1,000
Second Chance Ranch	Washington	\$2,750
Spirit Lake Senior Citizens Inc.	Idaho	\$1,750
Spokane Eastside Reunion Association	Washington	\$5,000
Spokane Hearing Oral Program of Excellence	Washington	\$1,500
Spokane Parks Foundation	Washington	\$3,000

The Way to Justice	Washington	\$3,000
University of Idaho IWRRI	Idaho	\$3,000
YMCA of Grants Pass Oregon	Oregon	\$2,000
YMCA of the Inland Northwest	Washington	\$3.000

The Avista Foundation offers four grant cycles each year. Economic and Community Vitality Proposals are due by August 1, 2024. Organizations can see if they are eligible and apply for funding by visiting avistafoundation.com.

About the Avista Foundation

Since its establishment in 2002, the Avista Foundation has made grants totaling over \$16 million. The foundation focuses its giving in the areas of vulnerable and limited-income populations, education, and economic and cultural vitality. It is a separate, non-profit organization established by Avista Corp., and does not receive funding from Avista Utilities or AEL&P customers through rates.

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