



Avista Foundation awards 27 grants to support local initiatives

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In 2024, the Avista Foundation has awarded more than \$500,000 through its grant program

SPOKANE, Wash., Oct. 29, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The Avista Foundation is awarding \$122,750 in grants to 27 nonprofit organizations in Washington, Idaho, Oregon, and Alaska to support economic and community development.

"With these contributions, the Avista Foundation is creating positive change, driving economic development, and enriching our communities," said Dennis Vermillion, Avista CEO.

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

- Supporting **AHANA's** efforts to serve multi-ethnic and multicultural business owners in Spokane, Washington.
- Bringing area lighting to improve safety at the **Sandpoint Skatepark** in Sandpoint, Idaho.
- Enabling program expansion with a new larger building at **Southeast Alaska Food Bank** in Juneau, Alaska.
- Helping **Southern Oregon Child and Family Council Inc's** LISTO Family Literacy Program provide education for Latinx adults in Jackson County, Oregon.

The full list of third-quarter awards includes:

Name	State	Award
AHANA	Washington	\$10,000
Bonner County Skatepark Association	Idaho	\$1,500
Cup of Cool Water	Washington	\$2,000
Center for Inclusive Entrepreneurship	Washington	\$2,500
Clearwater Community Complex, Inc.	Idaho	\$5,000
Freedom Farms	Oregon	\$1,500
Global Neighborhood	Washington	\$3,500
Hispanic Business Professional Association dba Nuestras Raices	Washington	\$10,000
Homeshare Kootenai County Inc	Idaho	\$2,000
Latinos En Spokane	Washington	\$2,500
Moscow Affordable Housing Trust, Inc	Idaho	\$2,000
NAMI Far North	Idaho	\$1,000
Operation Healthy Family	Washington	\$3,000
Spokanimal CARE	Washington	\$1,500
Sky Lakes Foundation	Oregon	\$5,000
Southeast Alaska Food Bank	Alaska	\$10,000
Southern Oregon Child and Family Council, Inc.	Oregon	\$3,000
Spokane Alliance United	Washington	\$3,500
Spokane Area Jewish Family Services	Washington	\$1,000
Spokane Humane Society	Washington	\$1,500
Spokane Independent Metro Business Alliance (SIMBA)	Washington	\$7,500
Spokane Valley HUB (dba HUB Sports Center)	Washington	\$10,000
Spruce Root Inc.	Alaska	\$5,000
Valley Community Center	Washington	\$1,250
WA-ID Volunteer Center	Idaho	\$2,000
St Vincent de Paul CDA	Idaho	\$10,000
Providence Foundation	Washington	\$15,000

The Avista Foundation offers four grant cycles each year. Environmental and arts and culture proposals are due by November 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

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