

2024 CONSERVATION PARTNERS

CINNABAR FOUNDATION

GENERAL OPERATING GRANTEES

\$271,500 – 28 Grants

COMMUNITY CONSERVATION / SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

Big Hole Watershed Committee	Divide, MT	\$6,000
Blackfoot Challenge	Ovando, MT	\$15,000
Montana Watershed Coordination Council	Helena, MT	\$5,000
Northern Plains Resource Council	Billings, MT	\$15,000
Western Sustainability Exchange	Livingston, MT	\$15,000

CONSERVATION EDUCATION + RESEARCH

Be Bear Aware	Missoula, MT	\$2,000
Montana Natural History Center	Missoula, MT	\$15,000
Swan Valley Connections	Condon, MT	\$15,000
Teller Wildlife Refuge	Corvallis, MT	\$10,000

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY

Citizens for a Better Flathead	Kalispell, MT	\$7,000
Montana Conservation Voters Education Fund	Billings, MT	\$15,000
Montana Environmental Information Center	Helena, MT	\$15,000
Montana Renewable Energy Association	Missoula, MT	\$3,000
Park County Environmental Council	Livingston, MT	\$15,000
Western Organization of Resource Councils	Billings, MT	\$10,000
Wild Montana	Helena, MT	\$15,000
Wyoming Outdoor Council	Lander, WY	\$10,000

PRIVATE LAND CONSERVATION

Montana Association of Land Trusts	Helena, MT	\$5,000
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PUBLIC LANDS

<u>Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness Foundation</u>	Red Lodge, MT	\$5,000
<u>Bob Marshall Wilderness Foundation</u>	Hungry Horse, MT	\$3,500
<u>Friends of Scotchman Peaks Wilderness</u>	Sandpoint, ID	\$6,000
<u>Glacier-Two Medicine Alliance</u>	East Glacier Park, MT	\$9,000
<u>Great Burn Conservation Alliance</u>	Missoula, MT	\$10,000
<u>Montana Conservation Corps</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$5,000
<u>Selway-Bitterroot Frank Church Foundation</u>	Missoula, MT	\$6,000
<u>Swan View Coalition</u>	Kalispell, MT	\$4,000

WATER QUALITY + FISHERIES

<u>Clark Fork Coalition</u>	Missoula, MT	\$15,000
<u>Montana Trout Unlimited</u>	Missoula, MT	\$15,000

PROGRAM / PROJECT GRANTEES

\$147,000 – 36 Grants

COMMUNITY CONSERVATION / SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

<u>Heart of the Rockies Initiative</u>	Missoula, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Benefiting Wildlife + Working Lands Through Carnivore Conflict Prevention"</i>		
<u>MWCC Watershed Fund</u>	Helena, MT	\$5,000
Re-grant Program: <i>"Watershed Group Capacity Building"</i>		

CONSERVATION EDUCATION + RESEARCH

<u>Clark Fork Watershed Education Program</u>	Butte, MT	\$3,000
The EcosySTEM Project: "Species Migration + Management in the GYE"		
<u>Missoula Conservation Roundtable</u>	Missoula, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Building the History Project Website"</i>		
<u>Montana Free Press</u>	Helena, MT	\$5,000
<i>"Environment + Climate Reporting"</i>		

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CONSERVATION EDUCATION + RESEARCH cont.

Montana Interfaith Power + Light	Bozeman, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Congregational Energy Reduction Program"</i>		
Raptor View Research Institute	Bozeman, MT	\$3,000
<i>"American Goshawk Conservation Project"</i>		
Teton Raptor Center	Wilson, WY	\$3,000
<i>"Sporting Lead-Free"</i>		
The Watershed Education Network	Missoula, MT	\$2,000
<i>"Backyard Citizen Science Program"</i>		
UM: Montana Media Lab	Missoula, MT	\$2,000
<i>"The Wide Open Podcast Season One: Threatened"</i>		
Yellowstone Ecological Research Center	Bozeman, MT	\$4,000
<i>"Mapping Products for Conservation Decision-Making II"</i>		

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY

Backcountry Hunters & Anglers – Montana Chapter	Missoula, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Educate + Engage on Behalf of our Wild Public Lands, Waters + Wildlife"</i>		
Friends of the Jocko	Arlee, MT	\$5,000
<i>"Protect the Jocko / Stop the Mine"</i>		
NW Energy Coalition	Seattle, WA	\$3,000
<i>"Promoting Energy Efficiency in Montana"</i>		
Recycle Montana	Winifred, MT	\$2,000
<i>"Rural Montana E-waste Recycling Events"</i>		
Valley Advocates for Responsible Development	Driggs, ID	\$1,000
<i>"PROACT: Preserve Rural Places, Open Spaces, Agriculture + Compact Towns"</i>		
Yellowstone Safe Passages	Emigrant, MT	\$3,000
<i>"US-89 Highway Monitoring Program"</i>		

PRIVATE LAND CONSERVATION

Bitter Root Land Trust	Hamilton, MT	\$6,000
<i>"Increasing the Pack of Bitterroot Conservation"</i>		
Center for Large Landscape Conservation	Bozeman, MT	\$5,000
<i>Wildlife Crossings: "US-191/MT-64 and US-89 Feasibility + Funding Development"</i>		

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<u>Five Valleys Land Trust</u>	Missoula, MT	\$12,000
<i>Habitat Protection: "Bloom Ranch-Upper Flint Creek Valley Conservation Project"</i>		
<u>Flathead Land Trust</u>	Kalispell, MT	\$5,000
<i>"Puzzle Piece Connecting Grizzly Bear Habitat + Adding to Important Bird Habitat in Mission Valley"</i>		
<u>Gallatin Valley Land Trust</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$5,000
<i>"Park County Conservation Program"</i>		
<u>People + Carnivores</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Community Bear Conflict Prevention Resource Program"</i>		
<u>The Montana Land Reliance</u>	Helena, MT	\$4,000
<i>"Montana Great Plains Ag Land Conservation Outreach"</i>		
<u>Vital Ground</u>	Missoula, MT	\$10,000
<i>Habitat Protection: "Meadow Creek North"</i>		

PUBLIC LANDS

<u>Buffalo Field Campaign</u>	West Yellowstone, MT	\$2,000
<i>"Buffalo Field Season Program"</i>		
<u>Earthworks</u>	Missoula, MT	\$4,000
<i>Habitat Protection: "Protecting Montana Wilderness, Wildlife + Waters from Irresponsible Extractive Industries"</i>		
<u>Helena Hunters + Anglers</u>	Helena, MT	\$4,000
<i>Habitat Protection: "Big Game Habitat + Security – Divide Landscape, Helena - Lewis and Clark National Forest"</i>		
<u>MT Wildlife Federation</u>	Helena, MT	\$4,000
<i>"Balancing Outdoor Recreational Use with Wildlife Habitat Security in Montana"</i>		
<u>Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership</u>	Missoula, MT	\$5,000
<i>Habitat Protection: "Wildlife Connectivity in Montana"</i>		
<u>Western Rivers Conservancy</u>	, MT	\$5,000
<i>"Racetrack Creek: Conserving Habitat + Securing Public Access Along a Headwater Tributary to the Clark Fork River"</i>		
<u>Whitefish Legacy Partners</u>	Whitefish, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Smith Lake-Swift Creek Legacy Conservation Project"</i>		

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PUBLIC LANDS cont.

<u>Wyoming Wildlife Federation</u>	Lander, WY	\$5,000
<i>"Public Lands Access, Advocacy, Stewardship, and Conserving / Protecting Wildlife Habitat"</i>		
<u>Yaak Valley Forest Council</u>	Troy, MT	\$3,000
Habitat Protection: "Protecting Hey Habitats in the Wild Yaak"		

WATER QUALITY + FISHERIES

<u>Clearwater Resource Council</u>	Seeley Lake, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Coordinating Aquatic Restoration + Outreach in the Clearwater Valley"</i>		
<u>Trout Unlimited</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$10,000
<i>"Protecting + Enhancing Streamflows in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem"</i>		

TAWNEY OPPORTUNITY GRANT

\$6,000 — 1 Grant

The Cinnabar Foundation board established this non-competitive grant program, in 1996, to honor founding board member Phil Tawney's service and sustain his memory as one of Montana's most dedicated conservation activists. Each year, Cinnabar sets aside funds to be utilized when a challenge or opportunity presents itself that could not have been anticipated during the regular granting cycle.

<u>Protect the Clearwater</u>	Seeley Lake, MT	\$6,000
Legal Challenge: "Protecting ground and surface water from gravel pit mining in the Clearwater Watershed"		

SARGENT LEGACY GRANT

\$16,000 — 2 Grant

<u>Montana Conservation Voters Education Fund</u>	Billings, MT	\$6,000
25th Anniversary: <i>Recognition for Outstanding Conservation Stewardship</i>		
<u>Montana Free Press</u>	Helena, MT	\$10,000
In recognition of their organizational merger with Mountain Journal		

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SARGENT STEWARDSHIP AWARD DESIGNEES

\$5,000 — 1 Grant

In 2024, Cinnabar presented Leonard and Sandy Sargent Stewardship Awards to **Paul Hawks** and **Jerry Iverson** for their many years of volunteer conservation activism with Northern Plains Resource Council, and especially for the instrumental roles they played in negotiating the Good Neighbor Agreement with Stillwater Mining Company and continued service on the Task Force which oversees compliance with this agreement for 25 years. Two pristine watersheds are intact in large part due to their persistence. Their selected beneficiary conservation nonprofit received the \$5,000 award.

<u>Northern Plains Resource Council</u>	Billings, MT	\$5,000
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JIM POSEWITZ PROFESSIONAL CONSERVATIONIST AWARD DESIGNEE

\$5,000 — 2 Grants

The Cinnabar board established the Jim Posewitz Professional Conservationist Award, in 2016, to honor the Foundation's first executive director and a founding board member.

In 2024, the award was presented to **Jim Evanoff** for his long career and innovative work to make Yellowstone National Park a world leader in sustainability with the Greening of Yellowstone Initiative, as well as problem-solving for so many other energy issues in the region. Jim has also served for many years in various leadership capacities with the Western Sustainability Exchange

<u>Bear Creek Council</u>	Gardiner, MT	\$2,000
<u>Western Sustainability Exchange</u>	Livingston, MT	\$3,000

CINNABAR PROGRAM INITIATIVES:

LEN AND SANDY SARGENT EVST GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP

\$5,000 — 1 Grant

The ***Len and Sandy Sargent EVST Graduate Fellowship*** was established in 1992 at the University of Montana as an endowed fund by Rick Hubbard Sargent and Judi Stauffer on the occasion of Len's 80th birthday. The purpose of the fellowship was and remains, "...to provide support to students with a demonstrated record of environmental activism." From time to time, the Cinnabar Foundation has partnered with Rick and Judi while the endowment grows. This fellowship is made possible through their restricted gift.

<u>Mara Pellerito</u>		\$5,000
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2024 SUMMARY

Grant Total – \$455,500

Number of Grants Awarded – 71