This year’s Competitive Grant Program awarded nearly $400,000 in grants to 37 organizations. This is the second year of integrating a focus on programs supporting access to economic opportunities across all fields of: Education, Arts & Culture, Economic & Workforce Development, Environment, Historic Preservation, Health and Human Services.

With this focus, organizations submitted some of the most innovative and competitive proposals the Foundation has reviewed in years. Nonprofits showed how they boost the creative economy through public-private partnerships with Albuquerque’s growing brewery scene, build employee pipelines in the healthcare industry, teach homeless youth entrepreneurial skills and train local urban farmers. All of this—and much more—contributes to a vibrant, growing Albuquerque.

For example, organizations showed how they support Casa de Salud’s Apprentice Program, in which young people gain hands-on experience in a clinical setting. This in-house job training program provides the vital job skills they need for success in the formal job market. The young adults in transitional housing, ages 16-24, the vital job skills they need for success in the formal job market. The food cart is an experiential learning opportunity paying youth real wages while building them into who is in the community. Partner businesses include Duran’s Central Pharmacy, Duran’s and Vinaigrette. The young people in the program manage all aspects of the cart, including marketing, finance, food preparation and customer service.

Casa de Salud

An Economic & Workforce Development grant supports Casa de Salud’s Health Apprentice Program, in which young people gain hands-on experience in a clinical setting—prior to pursuing graduate/professional degrees in medical fields. A recent National Healthcare Workforce report shows 53 percent of all physicians in NM are over 60 years old—the highest percentage in the country. This Apprentice Program builds a pipeline of healthcare workers, specifically focused on supporting medical care of low-income populations. Over 80 percent of Casa de Salud’s Apprentice identify as minority or of color, over 80 percent are women and more than half come from immigrant families.
Over 400 guests attended Moonlight & Motorcars at the Oasis. Guests toasted the 25th anniversary, checked in on the 25 oak trees we planted eleven years ago in downtown Albuquerque, and then to Tingley Beach, where we celebrated with friends old and new, in rain and shine.

The adventure began with a trip to Candelaria Organics to learn about the Food as Medicine exhibit, Keshet Dance and Center for the Arts surprised the crowd with exotic Bollywood dancers while guests relaxed in the luxurious teddy bear lounge.

Two firsts were celebrated, too. Albuquerque Rapid Transit (ART) was featured in the “Hot Hybrids” category and took second place with its all electric design. The updated Sunday Public Show, “Cool Cars and Craft Beer”, attracted more attendees than ever.

The weekend resulted nearly $200,000 thanks to the generosity of our sponsors and attendees. More than $200,000 was raised specifically for the Foundation’s featured nonprofit organization, the Desert Forge Foundation’s Warrior Veteran Project, benefiting veteran farmers.

Remember, it’s never too soon to contact the Foundation if you would like to participate next year. Save the date for Concours 2018, September 16-17.
Part Two

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by a common event this past spring. A snowstorm in the Northeast had cancelled Hurd’s flight back to Washington, DC and delayed

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Along the way, their rapport changed from awkward and stiff to playful teasing – just like old friends would when faced with a marathon

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The Foundation will award up to $200,000 to nonprofit organizations who have applied in one of the following categories:

- Enabling high growth success
- Buy and make local

This year’s prize winners will be announced mid-November. For more information, visit albuquerquefoundation.org or 505-883-6240

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2016 Mayor’s Prize Winners – WESST, Creative StartUps, Nusenda Co-op Capital, CNM Ingenuity

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This holiday season, we will make the first grant from the fund to St. Martin’s HopeFound (see story below). This is a visionary program because it addresses different social issues of the homeless community and is often not supported—families with young children.

To celebrate the Giving Season, we’re sponsoring a family in the HopeFound program through the Visionary Fund in the name of the generous donors of the 2017 Partners in Philanthropy. With their donation, one family will have a home this holiday season and hopefully forever.

## Fueled by the Visionary Fund: St. Martin’s HopeWorks HopeFound

The issue of family homelessness is a严峻 problem requiring the attention of community partners and collaboration across many sectors. While many homeless programs target the homeless to serve populations suffering from serious mental illness and substance abuse disorders, St. Martin’s focuses on a different section of the housing-first continuum.

Families with young children do not only require the services of an innovative case management, behavioral health services or supportive housing supportive housing. Unfortunately, this population often falls through the cracks and is left to “couch-surf,” live in a vehicle, navigate short-term shelters.

This fall, St. Martin’s HopeWorks (formerly St. Martin’s Hospitality Center) received one of the largest homeless service providers in the state, launching HopeFound, a program aimed specifically at helping families with children. HopeFound’s primary goal is to rapidly reunite families with children, paying rent for up to six months and providing intensive case management to help them pay their rent after six months. Studies projecting the area continuously demonstrate 49%-60% income.

HopeFound utilizes a housing first approach—families are housed immediately. In order to address the issues that contributed to the homelessness with case management and other appropriate and available community resources.

St. Martin’s has partnered with the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation and rehab as an eligible participant in HopeFound, a family housing initiative.

## Própero!

Própero! is a once-in-a-lifetime gift opportunity for nonprofit organizations working to provide access to economic opportunities leading to long-term employment and prosperity for young people of color (YMOC). With financial support from My Brother’s Keeper Albuquerque, the City of Albuquerque and the Foundation will award a total of $100,000 to as many as 5 organizations working towards this goal in the Greater Albuquerque area.

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Family homelessness in Albuquerque requires a high-level of community collaboration and broad engagement across many sectors. The final SDG I discussed, Peace and Justice, will enhance policies for sustainable development and promote effective public-private partnerships. As you are aware, this economic opportunity fund has been proposed as a vehicle to support program development and toward the ultimate goal of ending homelessness.

The Foundation recently co-hosted a regional summit with the Council on Foundations and Philanthropy Southwest in Las Vegas, Nevada, to ensure that financial support is available to nonprofits to provide assistance with an array of employment services for families participating in HopeFound.

Congratulations to the following organizations establishing endowment funds this year:

- National Hispanic Cultural Center Foundation
- New Mexico Cancer Center Foundation

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In 2018, the New Mexico Foundation established the Prospero! Visionary Fund. A matching gift campaign ended December 31. We hope all of the generous friends of the New Mexico Foundation will support our work next year.

Partners in Philanthropy

We are thrilled to announce New Mexico friends and colleagues have contributed the match on grants made possible by the Visionary Fund.

The contribution from the New Mexico Foundation will be matched dollar-for-dollar on grants made possible by the Visionary Fund. This holiday season, we will make the first grant from the fund to St. Martin’s HopeWorks (see story below). This visionary program became a model for other programs working towards the same mission with an emphasis on impacting the financial lives of families with young children in our community.

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The weekend raised nearly $500,000 thanks to the generosity of our sponsors and attendees. More than $60,000 was raised specifically for the Foundation’s featured nonprofit organization, the Desert Forge Foundation’s Warrior Farmer Project, benefitting veteran farmers.

Remember, it’s never too soon to contact the Foundation if you would like to participate next year. Save the date for Concours 2018, September 8–9.

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Finding Common Ground

The spot, his thinking and my drinking in a YouTube binge (type the word Whole)

It wasn’t always easy, but the ads for the ABQ Beer Co. Humana’s ad campaign, featuring real people with opposite views on issues like climate change, marriage equality and free trade, is a powerful testament to how one company can change hearts and minds. But this year’s nonprofit winners showed how much more it’s possible to use their voice to shift public opinion, open minds and create change.

New Day Food Cart & Board Chair Steve Keene

Corporate Social Responsibility is the commitment by business to behave ethically, contribute to economic development while improving the quality of life for all communities in which they operate. This year, the Albuquerque Community Foundation’s Impact Investment Committee has invested $25,000 in Homewise, a nonprofit focused on first time home ownership. Homewise has purchased the Orpheum Theatre Building on 2nd Street and Coal in downtown Albuquerque. A low interest loan of $250,000 will support renovations to revitalize the building to attract significant foot traffic to the downtown area.

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You may have caught part of their trip live on social media. They chatted amongst themselves and their audience about almost everything – politics, where they should stop to eat and which memorable attractions to visit – on their 24-hour “Impromptu Road Trip.”

Along the way, their rapport changed from awkward and stiff to playful teasing – just like old friends would when faced with a marathon cross-country drive. Not surprisingly, they realized their positions on certain issues, including immigration, STEM education and jobs, were either the same or close enough that compromise was possible.

In fact, they have now composed bills for one another, and even arranged for their staffs in Washington to get to know one another, as they had never met before. The trip took them 36 hours after delays for traffic, a detour to visit Graceland in Memphis, and a quick nap in Nashville. They made it in Washington for the vote 10 minutes to spare and a friendship that will likely continue to make a difference in their outlook on the other’s party, politics and point of view.

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New Mexico Funders Collaborative: Educate2Elevate Grant

In January, the Foundation created a group of funders to promote the idea of making room through collaborative grantmaking. We know our community faces significant challenges and are individual funders, we can only make a difference. But as collaborative funders, we can move systems change.

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Tribute Towards Common Ground

Tribe of Our Time

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