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THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF JACKSON HOLE AWARDS 30 GRANTS TO LOCAL PROJECTS

JACKSON, WY.,—June 18, 2007—The Community Foundation of Jackson Hole announced today that it has awarded 30 Community Fund grants to local projects, providing \$156,475 impacting critical needs in our community. These grants bring the total funds granted through the Community Fund in 2007 to \$413,440, the largest annual competitive granting ever for the Community Foundation.

The Community Fund is the Foundation's donor supported competitive grantmaking program. Proposals are reviewed and grants are awarded by the Community Foundation's Grants Committee, consisting of twenty community volunteers. The most recent grant cycle received more applications than any other cycle in the history of the Community Foundation, almost double the number of applications normally received.

"With limited funding, each grant represents a very difficult decision and a thoughtful investment in the future of our community," reports Susan Eriksen-Meier, Senior Program Officer. "The number of high quality projects still far exceeds the amount of funding we have available to grant through this program. As a result, we were not able to fund some deserving projects targeting important local issues, although many projects we would like to have funded in full only received partial funding."

To increase the amount of resources available to fund projects and programs that address the evolving needs of our community, donors are encouraged to contribute to the Community Fund. Donors can also review the "Grants in Need of Funding" section on the Community Foundation's website and consider an additional contribution to support the work of these dedicated organizations.

The next proposal deadline is September 28, 2008. For more information about the projects receiving funding, visit the Community Foundation's website for the latest information at www.cfjacksonhole.org.

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About the Community Foundation of Jackson Hole

Since 1989, the Community Foundation of Jackson Hole has worked with donors and non-profits to enrich all aspects of our community. The Foundation enables donors to establish personal philanthropic funds including donor advised, endowment, field of interest and legacy funds to facilitate their giving. With assets of over \$29 million, the Foundation gave its 100 millionth

dollar in grants in 2006. Annually, the Foundation organizes Old Bill's Fun Run for Charities, an innovative fundraiser for local non-profits. In the past ten years, more than 15,000 people have participated in the event, and over \$45.7 million has been raised for local non-profits. By connecting people who care with causes that matter, the Community Foundation is keeping Jackson whole.

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