Outdoor Lab
FOUNDATION



Corporate Programs

About Outdoor Lab

Celebrating our 70th anniversary in 2027, Outdoor Lab is a Jeffco rite of passage which provides four-day, three-night residential camp experiences for approximately 5,000 students per year.

We boast two beautiful mountain campuses—Mt. Blue Sky and Windy Peak—which provide over 700 acres for our students to explore and enjoy.

Outdoor Lab is impactful because it integrates proven youth development models, including experiential education, life-skills training, outdoor recreation, and mentorship.





Achievements Since 2021

$1.2 million in **tuition assistance**. Funds support families, schools, and the district overall to help ensure cost is not a barrier to participation.

$150,000 to support High School Leaders who serve as **caring mentors** to the sixth-grade participants.

$450,000 for campus improvements, land **stewardship**, and new construction projects.

$40,000 to support **evening presentations** for Title 1 schools.

$160,000 to support internship stipends and **career readiness** training.

$250,000+ worth of in-kind **outerwear** to keep students warm and dry.

$150,000+ worth of **volunteer** time. Over 700 volunteers contributed 4,500+ hours of community service to Outdoor Lab.

90% **participation rate** district wide.

Get Involved

Make a Corporate Donation

Support our general fund or designate your cash gift for a specific purpose.

Sponsor Our Gala

Our annual fundraising gala (After Dark) is a great way to get involved and interact with community leaders and our network of supporters.

Volunteer

Organize a volunteer activity at one of our mountain campuses or in the community in support of Outdoor Lab.

In-Kind Donations

Organize donations of boots and outerwear for our gear libraries or donate your professional services to support projects at Outdoor Lab.



How Companies Support Us



Bryan Construction was the lead contractor on our new Windy Peak bunkhouse, has sponsored a table at After Dark, and has organized volunteer workdays on our Mt. Blue Sky and Windy Peak campuses.

Powder 7 donates 7% of sales for one day during their peak ski sales season. This program has generated over $45,000 to date and improves our brand awareness.

Co-Founder Kim Gieseler served on the Foundation's Board of Directors and was Chair from 2021-2023. The company supports Outdoor Lab through volunteerism, After Dark, and direct contributions. Total support exceeds $20,000 to date.

A leading aerospace engineering firm based in Arvada, Barber Nichols supports the Foundation through direct donations, After Dark, and multiple employee-led volunteer stewardship projects on our mountain campuses.

As the electricity service provider to Outdoor Lab, CORE has donated over $50,000 through their "CORE Gives" Program and helped with fire mitigation work along their power lines.

As a dedicated 1% for the Planet business, Clove & Twine supports us through direct donations to our general fund as well as by offering in-kind donations of product to help us stock our gear libraries and manage our online store.

Ackerman Engineering has been an annual sponsor dating back to 2019. To date, the company has contributed over $30,000. They've attended multiple After Dark galas and also served as the lead electrical engineer for our new Windy Peak bunkhouse and Mt. Blue Sky dining hall.

Walmart donates cash directly to Outdoor Lab via their "Spark Good" program which encourages individual stores to donate to local causes. This program also encourages employees to volunteer with us by making a $100 donation for every one hour of volunteer time to Outdoor Lab.

Waste Management has been a stalwart supporter of the organization through their charitable foundation. To date, they have contributed over $20,000.

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