



Missoula Nonprofit Center celebrates six local leaders during Philanthropy Day

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November 28, 2022 – Missoula, MT – The Missoula Nonprofit Center, a program of United Way of Missoula County, will celebrate national Philanthropy Day on November 30 with a reception honoring Missoula’s nonprofit community and presenting six awards to the following local leaders in philanthropy and volunteerism.

“Each of this year’s winners truly embody the spirit of philanthropy in our community,” said Susan Hay Patrick, Chief Executive Officer of United Way of Missoula County adding, “we are so honored and excited to celebrate them and highlight the important work that they do every day to improve Missoula.”

Outstanding Fundraising Professional: Glenn Marangelo, development director at Missoula Butterfly House & Insectarium, for accomplishments in nonprofit fundraising and the successful capital campaign for the butterfly house’s new facility.

Outstanding Philanthropist: Laura Snyder, founder of Mountain Home Montana, for longtime service and support of Mountain Home and many other community efforts.

Outstanding Volunteer: Cat Leedom, for the administration of the Missoula Community Organizing Action mutual aid Facebook group, which has connected thousands of Missoulians with resources throughout COVID-19 and beyond.

Outstanding Young Philanthropist: Dani Mayeaux, for her advocacy work and service as a youth action board member for the Montana Continuum of Care.

Outstanding Corporation: Jackson Contractor Group, for outstanding generosity to a wide range of local nonprofits through financial and volunteer support.

Outstanding Nonprofit Organization: Humane Society of Western Montana, for leadership in animal welfare and outstanding care for pets, people, and community.

The winners will be presented with their awards in a private ceremony on the evening of November 30. Philanthropy Day has been celebrated in Missoula for nearly 30 years, celebrating some of Missoula’s biggest advocates and most influential philanthropists since 1995. Awardees are selected by a committee of local nonprofit leaders from a pool of nominations made by the public.

“To say I was surprised to realize I had been nominated for, and won, this award is an understatement,” said Glenn Marangelo, winner of Outstanding Fundraising Professional. “The success of our fundraising has been like a millipede...many legs working together to reach a shared goal. I’m honored to be recognized alongside the other incredible award winners and proud to live in a community that supports such a wide range of important efforts.”

Formed in 2019 as a program of United Way of Missoula County, the **Missoula Nonprofit Center** is the training, networking, and information-sharing hub for Missoula area nonprofits.

Photos and interviews are available on request.

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