



Plum Creek

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Plum Creek Foundation Grants Assist Variety of Flathead County Organizations

COLUMBIA FALLS, Mont. – The Plum Creek Foundation distributed \$33,500 in grant money to six Flathead County organizations during the fourth quarter of 2007.

“We’re pleased to be active and supportive members of the communities in which we live and work,” said Hank Ricklefs, vice president, northern resources and manufacturing for Plum Creek. “The Plum Creek Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that enhance and support the lives of many Montana residents.”

- The Boys and Girls Club of Glacier Country received a \$10,000 challenge grant to help with costs associated with a new building.
- The Flathead Rotary Foundation received a \$7,500 grant for flooring at Kidsports Fields.
- The Flathead Valley Veterans Memorial was granted \$5,000 for a memorial and historical repository.
- The Whitefish Theatre Company’s capital campaign to add 24 more seats, install floor and stair lighting as well as a safety railing in the theatre’s balcony received a \$5,000 donation.
- Two local schools also received grants. East Evergreen Elementary School was granted \$2,500 for its reading program and Swan Valley Elementary School received \$3,000 for much-needed roof repairs.
- The Kila School District sports program received a \$3,500 grant for a new gymnasium scoreboard and to help purchase new volleyball uniforms. “The Kila School’s general fund budget cannot support the expense of a new scoreboard and uniforms,” said Sharon Leach, business manager for Kila School District. “Sports play an important role in our community. This grant will help us keep our program going.”

Please visit www.plumcreek.com, “community involvement” for more information on the Plum Creek Foundation and to obtain an application.

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