2022 Year End Review

While the challenges of the pandemic have continued to affect our community, 2022 turned out to be a truly remarkable and impactful year in so many ways. Last year we celebrated our 50th anniversary with a celebration at the SHARC, and raised more than $55,000 through direct donations for The South County Collaborative to address student success in south Deschutes county.

In addition we sponsored two community fundraisers, Art Meets Wine in the High Desert in May and the Sunriver Art Fair in August. Proceeds from these events allowed the Sunriver Women's Club Community Grant Program to award over $70,000 to nonprofits addressing the focus areas of Child Safety, Hunger, Shelter, Education & Youth Development and Health & Mental Health.

Members and the broader community have come together to support our financial efforts and ongoing commitment to make a difference. Thank you for being a part of something great.

Sincerely,
Debbie Baker
President
We started 2022 by kicking off our Power of 50 for Education fund to celebrate our 50th year anniversary, with the goal of raising $50,000 to help form the South County Collaborative: A New Initiative to Support and Empower the At-risk Youth of Our Community, which includes four pillars of support—mentoring, youth led activities, parent education, and out of school programming.

Not only did we reach our goal of $50,000 we exceeded it! The money is now in the hands of the collaborative and will be used toward new and increased community programs outside of the school day to increase student engagement in south Deschutes County in 2023. We are very proud to have kicked off this wonderful initiative which is expected to expand and continue for years to come!
Philanthropy

The SRWC Philanthropy team worked hard all year to award grants to local nonprofit agencies with the goal of providing a strong network of services that will improve the lives of the most vulnerable citizens in our south Deschutes County community. Since 1999, the SRWC philanthropy program has awarded over $900,000 to programs providing services to women, children, families, and seniors in south Deschutes County.

In 2022 we awarded $70,670 in grants to 17 agencies to sustain and improve our community.

The Sunriver Women’s Club is proud of its philanthropy program and grateful for all of our members who contribute time and/or money to ensure it’s success.
Art Meets Wine in the High Desert is an exclusive fundraising event sponsored by the Sunriver Women’s Club.

Held during Oregon Wine Month, this week-long event started with a virtual wine pairing class followed by several days of virtual wine tasting – a great opportunity to host a house party and share award-winning Oregon wines with friends or family!

The event’s finale, Art Meets Wine “LIVE!”, held at the SHARC, featured tastings from carefully chosen wineries that represented different varieties of wine and growing regions in Oregon wine country. The event included wine, art, music and food as well as a virtual auction, raffles and a wine wall.

The 2023 event will open with a virtual cooking class by Kasia Wilson, cheesemonger for Market of Choice, followed by several days of virtual wine tasting. The event will culminate with Art Meets Wine “LIVE!” This year's event will be held on Saturday, May 20, at the SHARC in Sunriver. More information can be found at sunriverwomensclub.org.

Art Meets Wine in the High Desert has grown to become a major fundraiser for SRWC, and a much anticipated social event for Sunriver residents and visitors.
The Sunriver Art Fair was held over three days in August and featured over 70 artists from throughout the west and northwest.

Voted as one of the Top Ten shows in the country by members of artfaircalendar.com, the fair celebrates 13 years of bringing fine art to Sunriver.

In 2022 the fair contributed over $37,000 to the philanthropy efforts for the Sunriver Women’s Club.

The 2023 Sunriver Art Fair will take place August 11-13 in the Village at Sunriver, and will feature a new Students Art Exhibit from local area schools in addition to the fine collection of juried artists.
This year the SRWC participated in a variety of social and program activities such as Happy Hour, Member Coffee and Let’s do Lunch as well as monthly luncheon meetings.

Group activities included, book clubs, dinner club, hearty and mid soles hiking groups, loose cannons, winter fun, and the Sunriver knitters. New this year will be community service projects at local nonprofits.

We continue to grow with many new members joining each month. If you know of someone who would love to join us please reach out and invite them!

We hope you enjoy being a member of this wonderful community of women. And, we look forward to another exciting year of playing, socializing, and giving back to our community in a myriad of meaningful ways.