Hidden treasure, the science of giving and \$1M in contributions!

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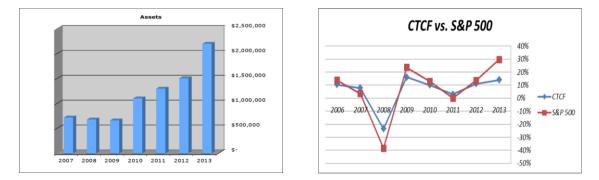
See what's going on at CTCF:

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Strategic Giving Tips for Stocks/Appreciated Securities

- <u>Donate directly to charity</u>. When you gift stock directly to a nonprofit organization you may not have to pay capital gains tax if you have owned the stock *longer* than one year . (If you have owned the stock *less* than one year, you may only deduct the original purchase price).
- <u>Receive a tax deduction now, distribute later</u>. If you're not prepared to give away the entire amount of the securities sale all at once, use a <u>Donor Advised Fund</u> to take an immediate tax deduction for the full amount, but **decide over time** which nonprofits you want to support with those dollars. Read more about Donor Advised Funds in the <u>article by Scott Burns</u> at AssetBuilder.com.



2013 Annual Report Data Growth, growth and more growth

Chisholm Trail Communities Foundation (CTCF) had a banner year in 2013! Assets under management grew by 50% and the return on investments was higher than 14% (see charts above for historical context). Over a million dollars were contributed to CTCF--half of which has already been distributed to support the work of nonprofits and half of which is being held by CTCF until the donors/advisors recommend projects or nonprofits for the dollars to support.

Also in 2013, <u>13 new Funds</u> were opened at CTCF:

- 10 <u>Donor Advised Funds</u> essentially, these are mini-private foundations (but without the hassle and high overhead costs usually associated with private foundations) for individuals, families and businesses. These Funds help donors be more strategic with their giving or remain truly anonymous if they so choose.
- 1 Scholarship Fund established to support individuals seeking higher education.
- 1 Agency Fund used by nonprofits for longer-term, sustainability planning.
- 1 Donor Designated Fund serves as an incubator for new/small nonprofits, allowing more resources to be spent on their mission/programs and less on clerical and administrative tasks.

Fast Pitch 2014! Sponsorships available, <u>click here</u> for more information on how to be a part of this informative, exciting event!



The Science of Giving

It IS better to give than receive, and modern brain imaging shows that pleasure centers of the brain are more energized by giving than by receiving. Read more about how "support-giving may have stress-reducing effects" for the giver, how "Brain Imaging **Reveals Joy of** Giving" and that "happier people give more and giving makes people



3rd Annual Fast Pitch

Round 1: Grant applications will be available in July, check our web site for details as the summer approaches.

Round 2: <u>10-14-14</u> Mark your calendars now for the 90-second presentations on **October 14, 2014**.

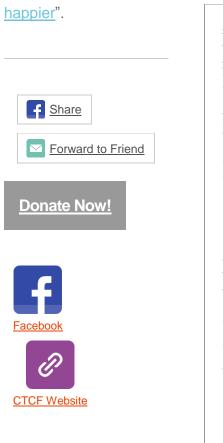


100th Anniversary!

Over 700 community foundations exist across the United States with each focused on a particular geographic area (e.g. CTCF focuses on WilCo). The very first community foundation **established in 1914** is still in existence today.



Every 5 years, CTCF voluntarily undergoes a rigorous review by the <u>Council on</u>





Foundations. This review, known as National Standards, compares the activities of CTCF to the best practices of community foundations across the country. We are currently under review for re-confirmation of this certification.

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