



Trails and Open Space Coalition



**2017**



# Forward the Vision

Historians and visionaries--we need them both. In 2017, the last of the 2015 1A trail projects were completed. Sections of Shooks Run, Skyway, Pikes Peak Greenway and others were made safe thanks to 1A dollars. TOSC championed that campaign, and your support led to an overwhelming victory. That same support last November led to the success of the Stormwater initiative, which will lead to more miles of trail and more general fund dollars for parks maintenance. Also in 2017, we looked back at 20 years of TOPS (The city's Trails, Open space and Parks program/tax). In July, the Trails and Open Space Coalition received the Spirit of the Springs award for its role in TOPS' success. We can take pride in a marvelous list of accomplishments.

TOSC and TOPS. From the moment it passed we have been joined at the hip. Expiring in 2025, TOPS will continue to shape and define our community as a magnificent place to live only if a committed coalition leads an effort to extend TOPS for another 20 years. Make no mistake, the campaign to re-authorize TOPS will require intense community engagement, strategic partnerships and the support of our political leaders. We'll be there; and we encourage you to take part. Join us as we use this year to lead the way, solidify the vision and secure the means to take it forward.



*Susan Davies*  
*Executive Director*

## OUR MISSION

We are dedicated to the preservation of open space and parks, and the creation of a network of trails, bikeways and greenways for the Pikes Peak Region.

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# 30 Years of Success



In September, the Trails and Open Space Coalition held a 30th Anniversary Celebration at the Buffalo Lodge Bicycle Resort. We hosted elected officials, nonprofit leaders, government partners and our all-important MEMBERS for an evening of fellowship and fun.

*The Trails and Open Space Coalition (TOSC) was formed as a citizens' initiative in 1987, under the name Pikes Peak Area Trails Coalition (PPATC), to help the City of Colorado Springs implement its trails master plan. The City had put together a team to create a trails master plan consisting of 131 miles of urban trails. This group felt that there should be an advocacy organization to ensure the plan didn't wind up just sitting on a shelf and to help implement the plan. The original members, who represented a number of community organizations, passed and signed a resolution to create the coalition.*

*30 years later, the Trails and Open Space Coalition can look back on its many successes: the creation of hundreds of miles of trails and bikeways in the area, conservation of thousands of acres of open space, recreational opportunities for the community and visitors of the Pikes Peak region, and protection of the natural, geological, cultural, historical, and scenic features that are vital to the community's quality of life. Thanks to our members, partners and supporters, we look forward to the next 30 years!*





# Connections

## Bike Colorado Springs



Bike Colorado Springs, a program of the Trails and Open Space Coalition, has been working diligently to connect people to the trails, to their neighborhoods, and to each other. In 2017 we were funded through a grant from the Colorado Health Foundation to activate the Legacy Loop. The Pedal to Historic Places and Parks tour, the These Places Matter ride with the Historic Preservation Alliance, and the REI #OptOutside hike and bike event created connections that left a lasting impression on those who attended, and inspired a future generation of advocates. Our Bike-in Live Theater event brought out hundreds of people to Shooks Park by bike, highlighting for them the possibility of getting places safely and easily by bike.

With the help of our members and supporters, we'll continue advocating for the creation of high-quality connections among our trail systems and to on-street lanes. We're representing the bike-friendly community on the Active Transportation Advisory Committee, the Citizen Transport Advisory Board, and the Citizen Advisory Committee for PPRTA, as well as monthly meetings with City Traffic Engineering and Parks. Bike Colorado Springs was even called out in the new 2017 Bike Master Plan! Moving forward, Bike Colorado Springs will be working to create connections on the southeast side of Colorado Springs, funded in part by a grant from the Colorado Springs Health Foundation. Through advocacy, engagement, education and communication, Bike Colorado Springs is working to change the community's bike culture on multiple levels.



# Community

## Alice's Story



Her smile says it all. Despite challenges, Alice was extremely proud to be part of our marathon. She was our last runner to finish. Well after the course was officially closed, Alice was still a couple miles out – walking, determined to finish and get her medal.

So we waited. We sent a fresh volunteer on a bicycle to accompany her and “get her home.” Her family waited even as the last of the runners packed up and left. Lynne, our Race Director, placed the medal on her neck and congratulated her on her success.

Nearly 1000 runners joined us for our 2017 American Discovery Trail Marathon, Half-Marathon, 10k and kids races, all with their own stories. Yes, there are other races – but we like to think none are quite like ours. Our race is on a trail. Proceeds benefit two local nonprofits committed to making our great community even better--Pikes Peak Road Runners and the Trails and Open Space Coalition.

As we look ahead to our 18th year of ADT Races, we invite you to join us once again as we commit to offering one of the finest race experiences in the region, one that brings families together and contributes to our community.

And Alice, if you decide to give it another try – we'll be there for you at the finish line.



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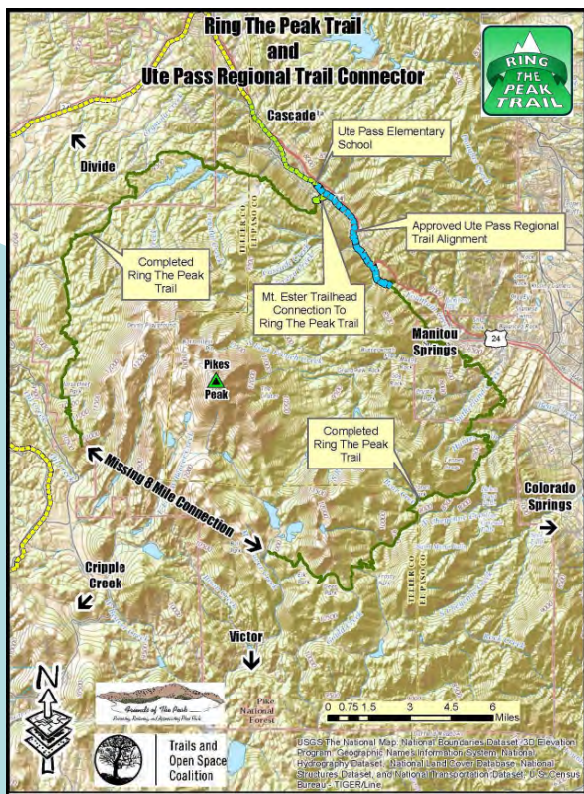
# RING THE PEAK

## Tours & Progress



We've been making great progress on our project to complete the Ring the Peak Trail, working with consultants N.E.S., Inc to talk with landowners and other interested people to work out the best way to close the gap. In 2017 we held two key stakeholder meetings and one public meeting in Cripple Creek, the closest community to the proposed final segment of Ring the Peak. The Trails and Open Space Coalition and our partner, Friends of the Peak, led a series of Discovery Tours in the fall to engage the public through hiking, biking and horseback riding. We are happy to report that agency and public support is high for what has evolved into an expanded vision of Ring the Peak. During the course of our discussions, it became clear that the best solution to completing the Ring lay in not one route but three – a “seasonal” route at around 11,000 feet, a “year-round” route that roughly follows (but is not on) existing roads, and a “community connector” that brings Cripple Creek and Victor into the ring. We're excited to see real movement toward completion of a decades-old community vision. Thank you to GOCO for supporting our efforts with a major planning grant. Expect to see much more about this landmark project during 2018!





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## Judy's Gift

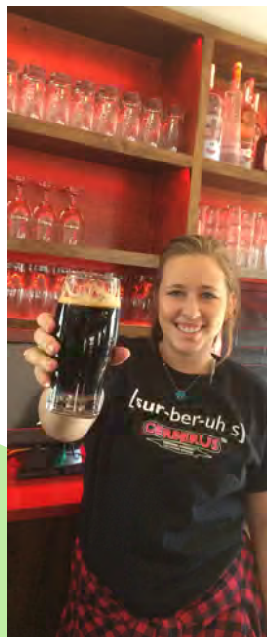


In July of 2017, we received notice that our longtime friend and supporter Judy Connally had passed away and left a bequest to the Trails and Open Space Coalition in her will. 20 years ago, TOSC helped Judy and her family get a memorial built to her son, Tucker Connally, who was killed in an auto crash. "Tucker's Tie-In" is a memorial stone at the connection of the Santa Fe Trail at Woodmen Road, where Tucker cycled on his way to work. We're grateful to Judy Connally for her generous support of trails on our region.



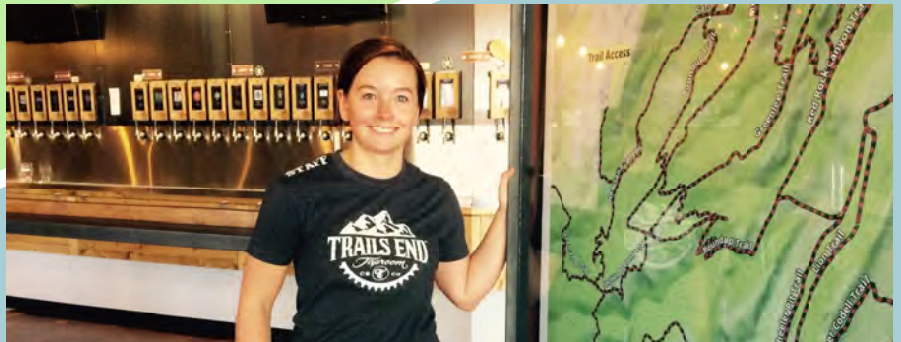
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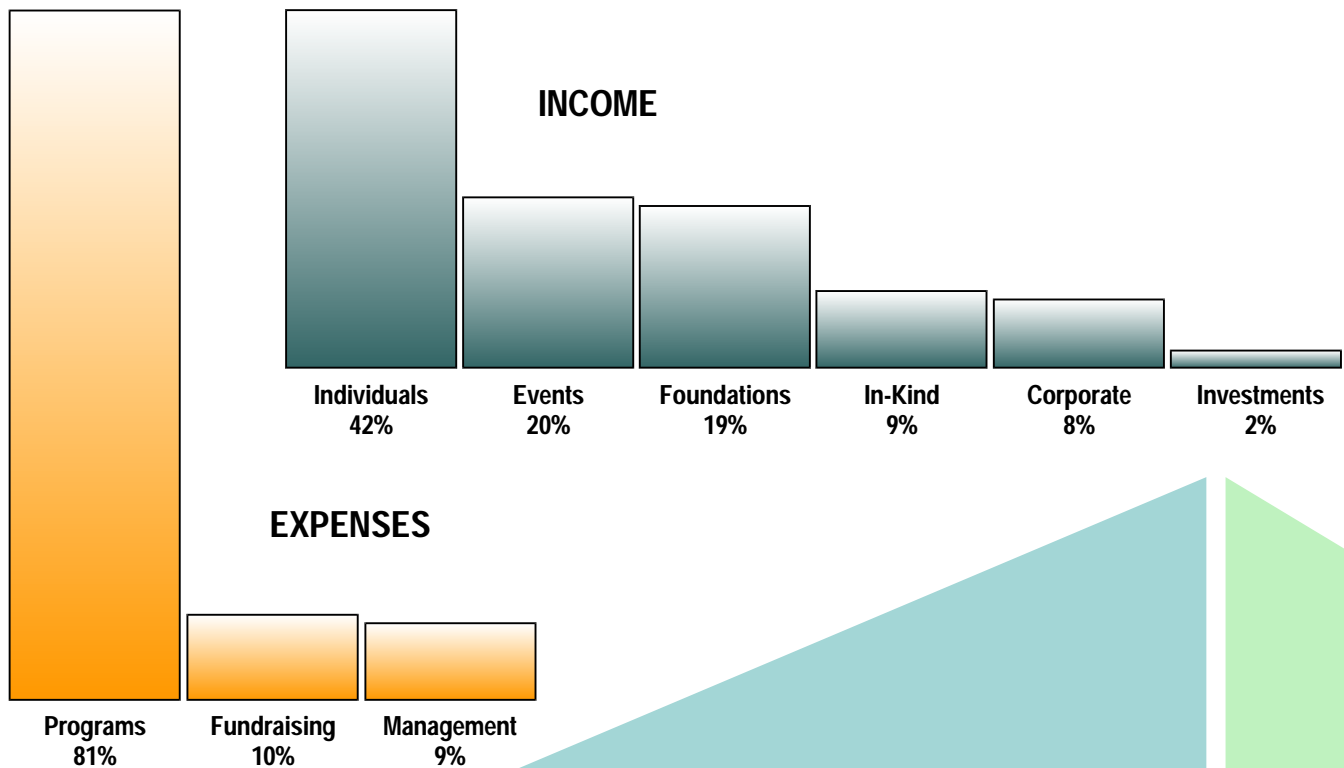
Business support is key for the success of the Trails and Open Space Coalition. Each year we are fortunate to partner with businesses both small and large that support our mission and give generously to our shared vision of healthy parks. That support comes in many forms, from direct contributions, event collaboration and sponsorship, business giving, or in-kind gifts. We wish to recognize some of our 2017 business funding partners who hosted community giving campaigns for TOSC, and thank them for their generosity and commitment to the outdoor places we all treasure. Major business funders include the Rocky Mountain Restaurant Group; Trails End Taproom; Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory, Live Dream Colorado Real Estate; Mountain Equipment Recyclers; The Principal's Office; Whistle Pig Brewing Company; Knies, Helland & McPherson Attorneys at Law; Cerberus Brewing Company; Pocket Pals; Bristol Brewing; and Amazon Smile.

Two local organizations deserve special recognition for holding an annual fundraising event that benefits the Trails and Open Space Coalition. The Pikes Peak Roadrunners put countless hours into their Labor Day American Discovery Trail Races, and in 2017 donated a total of \$16,000. The Waldo Waldo 5K, held downtown in the fall, put on another spectacular event and donated a portion of the proceeds to TOSC.





# Financials



## Sources of Income

The Trails and Open Space Coalition is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, funded by donations from more than a thousand individuals, businesses, and organizations, including 100% support from our Board of Directors. A smaller part of our income comes from foundations and fundraising events.

## Expenses

We strive to be good stewards of the contributions that support our work, and are proud that more than 80% of our expenses were used for programming. We're grateful for the faith that our community has in the Trails and Open Space Coalition.



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