



together we can solve hunger.™



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# INVESTMENT REPORT

## Spectranetics Corporation Invests in Hunger Relief in Southern Colorado



Thank you to Spectranetics Corporation for choosing our organization to contribute their paid volunteer time since 2010. Spectranetics' teammates are grounded in a culture of shared values with a specific focus on service and humility. Teammates

put these values into action through community service, volunteering and charitable giving throughout the year.

The Spectranetics staff came through in a big way for Care and Share this year! They reserved ten shifts in two weeks and brought in more than 200 employees, contributing a total of 400 hours and processing almost 50,000 lbs. of food.



Spectranetics is another example of corporate responsibility. We can solve hunger with the help of generous businesses like Spectranetics whose employees get involved and invest in hunger relief in Southern Colorado.

### GIVE FOOD. GIVE TIME. GIVE MONEY.

You have helped people facing hunger in Southern Colorado more than ever – thank you! From July through November 2014 we have benefited from:



**222,437** pounds of food donated from individuals and food drives.



**15,039** hours of service. Volunteers are truly the heart of our organization.



**\$1,667,425** raised from corporations, foundations, organizations, and individuals.

## Family Farming History Takes Modern Turn and Supports Care and Share in the Process

Both Gavin and Marshea Vitt's family histories are rooted in farming. After a year of research and learning, they opened Daily Harvest Aquaponics in May of 2014.

Aquaponics is a system of aquaculture in which the waste produced by farmed fish or other aquatic animals supplies nutrients for plants grown hydroponically. There are several benefits to this type of farming. For one, it uses 90-95% less water than traditional farming methods. Another is that there is no seasonality. Plants are grown in a temperature-controlled warehouse using highly efficient artificial LED lighting in a self-sustaining system. Even in the harsh cold of winter, growth and harvest continue.

The goal of Daily Harvest is to create revenue streams in a variety of ways: selling the produce to local chefs, restaurants and markets; selling the fish to local restaurants; selling the waste product as a natural organic fertilizer; and adding an education component to the business. The Vitts don't want to add to the food waste problem in our country, and while they tweak their operations and perfect their

trade, their harvested product is being donated to further Care and Share's goal to get more food to more people in more places.

Daily Harvest Aquaponics has donated more than 1,700 pounds of freshly harvested greens to Care and Share, equating to more than 1,400 meals! We are extremely grateful to Daily Harvest Aquaponics and encourage you to visit them at <http://dhaqua.com/>.





# CAREDRIVE

Each November and December, Care and Share Food Bank invites local businesses throughout our region to participate in CARE Drive by collecting food and funds to help Southern Colorado families in need. Each bag, box, can, jar of food, and dollar collected during CARE Drive means a great deal to those we serve - providing nourishment and hope for our children, families, and seniors who are at risk of hunger. We couldn't feed families without the support and partnerships of these great businesses. THANK YOU!

This year, CARE Drive proved to be truly inspiring. Businesses engaged their employees in new and creative ways all with one goal in mind, providing food for our Southern Colorado neighbors. We saw hot tubs filled with food, silent auctions, employees raising money to wear jeans at work, discounts offered, coupons shared, and competitions held. We sent out every single collection barrel we had to gather all of the food. We're incredibly grateful for the support and dedication of the more than 100 businesses that participated this year.

We extend our gratitude for your support and invite you to stay engaged in our work all year long because, as you know, hunger never takes a holiday.

Please visit our website, [www.careandshare.org](http://www.careandshare.org), to learn how you can create your food drive campaign.

# Thanks to our Funders!

The support of our grant makers is integral to the work that we do every day. At Care and Share, we believe that no one should go hungry. We would like to thank the following grant makers, who recognize the mutually beneficial partnership of strengthening programs, services and partner relationships to achieve success in ensuring that one in seven Southern Coloradoans at risk of hunger have access to enough healthy and nutritious food to thrive. **THANK YOU for your support!**

### September Grant Makers

Employees Community Fund of Boeing  
JPMorgan Chase Foundation

### October Grant Makers

Craftworks Foundation  
LexisNexis  
T. Rowe Price Foundation  
Union Pacific Foundation

### November Grant Makers

Boettcher Foundation  
David and Lucile Packard Foundation  
El Pomar's Anna Keesling Ackerman Fund  
Inasmuch Foundation  
Lyda Hill Foundation  
Mabel Horrigan Foundation  
Rotary Club of North Colorado Springs  
Virginia W. Hill Foundation

To learn more or to make a donation to Care and Share Food Bank visit [www.careandshare.org](http://www.careandshare.org)

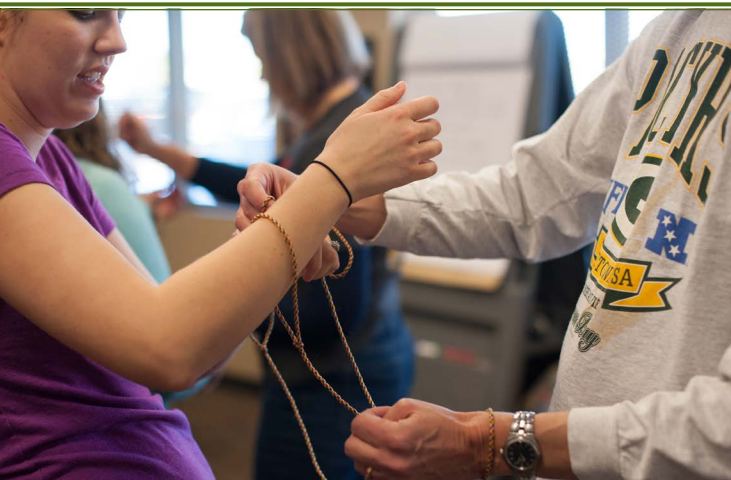
## Are you a Business Champion?

Donations from businesses for general support are vital to our effort to feed our neighbors at risk of hunger. Becoming a Business Champion provides a quality venue for your business to be recognized for the work you do, as well as for your generous support of people living with food insecurity throughout Southern Colorado. *Many thanks to these fantastic Business Champions!*

### Sunrise to Sunset Supporter (\$15,000+)

Rocky Top Solid Waste Management  
Craftworks

For more information about how you too can become a Business Champion, please contact Stacy Poore at [stacy@careandshare.org](mailto:stacy@careandshare.org) or 719-434-4679.



## Bridge the Gap Team Building

Did you know that we offer a team building program for businesses, corporations, and organizations? Bridge the Gap is a fun way for you to learn more about your coworkers and grow as a team, all while supporting Care and Share's mission.

To learn more about Bridge the Gap, visit [www.careandshare.org](http://www.careandshare.org) or contact Stacy Poore at [stacy@careandshare.org](mailto:stacy@careandshare.org) or 719-434-4679.