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Mountain Village awards \$48,000 in grants for 2010.

February 9, 2010 (Mountain Village, Colo.) – The Town of Mountain Village, in cooperation with the Telluride Foundation, awarded eight local nonprofit organizations a combined total of \$48,000 as part of the town's 2010 Grant Program. Each grant recipient works to provide the Mountain Village and Telluride region with services that directly support the town's mission of providing health and human services programs. Since 2001, the town has awarded over \$300,000 to a number of regional nonprofit organizations. For 2010, the town received \$170,500 in grant requests from 20 nonprofits. This year's recipients include:

- Bright Futures School Readiness Initiative
- Midwestern Colorado Mental Health Center
- One to One
- San Miguel Resource Center
- Telluride Adaptive Sports Program
- Telluride Foundation – One Telluride
- University Centers of the San Miguel c/o High West Central
- Wright Stuff Community Foundation

"All of these organizations provide vital services that improve the quality of life for residents in our community," said Town Manager Greg Sparks. "The Town of Mountain Village is pleased to partner with these organizations to insure the continued delivery of these services during these difficult economic times."

In 2009, the newly formed Mountain Village Prioritization Committee, made up of members of the Mountain Village Town Council and Telluride Mountain Village Owners Association (TMVOA), further defined the scope of grants offered to ensure that applicants were directed to the appropriate entity when requesting funds. The committee determined that organizations that were seeking funds for economic development activities should apply to TMVOA while organizations that were seeking funds for health and human services apply to the Town of Mountain Village. The committee reviewed requests to both entities and provided its funding recommendations to the Town Council and TMVOA Board. The Town Council approved the recommendations made by the Mountain Village Prioritization Committee unanimously at its December 8, 2009 meeting.

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ABOUT MOUNTAIN VILLAGE

Mountain Village, situated in the heart of the breathtaking San Juan Mountains, was incorporated in 1995 as a home rule municipality. Its founders envisioned a European-style ski-in/ski-out, pedestrian-friendly destination resort that would complement the historic mining town of Telluride. A three-stage gondola transportation system connects the Town of Mountain Village with the Town of Telluride. Situated at 9,500 feet, Mountain Village is comparably a world apart from other resorts: it is innately spectacular, beautifully orchestrated and planned, and overflowing with style, charm and sophistication. For more information, please visit us on the Web at **www.townofmountainvillage.com**.