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Join our CO Gives Day Campaign!

Colorado Gives Day is December 10th this year, but early giving has already begun! Thanks to the Colorado Gives Foundation's incentive fund of over one million dollars, any donation you make to HCPC until December 10th will go further!

We also have a generous preservation partner who committed to matching up to \$10,000 in donations, *automatically doubling your donation.*

Our overall goal is to raise \$30,000 during this giving period, and we know we can get there with YOUR help! A little can go a long way when we reach out to our networks, and peer-to-peer fundraising can help us do just that! Check out our latest blog, "[The Power of Peer-to-peer Fundraising: Saving Gunnison's Hartman Castle](#)," for a rundown on what peer-to-peer fundraising is and why it's so successful.

Below are a few fun ideas for how you can be an ambassador for HCPC using peer-to-peer fundraising during this giving season and beyond:

Planning on having a birthday this year?

Set up a fundraiser on Facebook. Please let us know if you need help. To date, six fundraisers have raised almost \$5000 for Hartman Castle.

Business charitable donations, matching grants, sponsorships and grants

Do you have a relationship with a business that contributes money to a non-profit organization? Does your employer offer matching grants? Do you know of a business interested in preserving the Castle or in the economic benefit this project will bring Gunnison? Could you help us identify this potential source of funding? Please let us know!

Movie Night with Popcorn!

Host a movie night with friends and family to watch RMPBS' "[Saving Hartman Castle](#)" episode and challenge attendees to join the cause by donating for CO Gives Day. Share your results on social media to earn badges and to encourage others! This would be an excellent activity for your family gathering for the holidays.

Virtual Challenge Events

Walk, Run, Ski or Bike-a-thon: Encourage participants to set mileage goals and seek sponsors per mile. Use social media or a tracking app to share progress and celebrate milestones.

Step Challenge: Set a daily or monthly step goal. Participants can use pedometers or phone apps to track their steps and seek donations for their commitment to stay active.

Climb for a Cause: For those with stairs at home or access to outdoor steps, set a stair-climbing challenge to simulate climbing a famous landmark, like the Eiffel Tower or Mount Everest!

Time Capsule

Invite friends to donate cash and messages for a time capsule to be buried at the castle as part of its preservation legacy.

These are just a few ideas that could help mobilize our community to take action to save Hartman Castle! If you have the capacity, you can also make your donation at the link: <https://www.coloradogives.org/organization/Hartman-Castle-Preservation-Corporation>

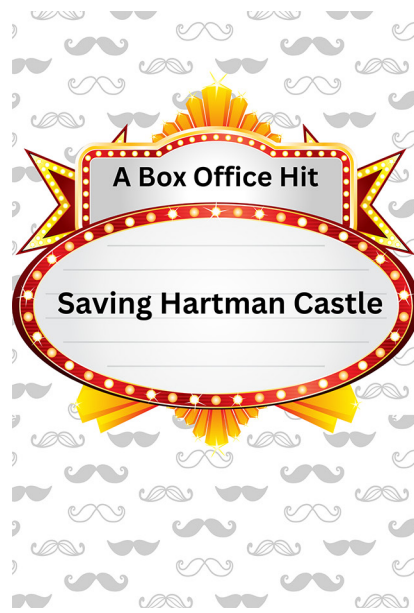
We know that the Hartman Community is innovative.

Share your 'friend-raising ideas!'

Thank you for helping spread the word about CO Gives Day!

Donation can be made
online or mailed to:
PO Box 1294
Gunnison, CO 81230

LATE BREAKING NEWS: To encourage outreach to donors and the community, the Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley has made available a **grant of \$200** to give to the nonprofit that has the highest number of donors who give through ColoradoGives.org between November 1 and December 10.



On Thursday, November 7th, a packed theater crowd, many with Alonzo-inspired mustaches and wearing period clothing, eagerly awaited the premiere of 'Save the Castle.' Before the film rolled, the crowd enjoyed listening to Duane Vandenbusche, who gave the audience a brief overview of the Hartman story. The film was a resounding success, receiving rave reviews from the audience, with passionate narratives by the local Hartman Castle champions and cinematic brilliance from the director, filmmakers, and storytellers of Rocky Mountain PBS.

Western Colorado University Professor Julian Rubinstein moderated a panel discussion following the episode. The panel featured a wealth of knowledge, including former state historian Duane Vandenbusche, Hartman board members Pamela Williams and Debra Callihan, and videographer Jeremy Moore.

The Hartman Castle Preservation Board extends its heartfelt appreciation to the team at Rocky Mountain PBS for their outstanding work on this brilliant blockbuster. We are deeply grateful to Alexis Kikoen, Jeremy Moore, Polina Sarana, and Sarah Newberry for their unique talents and unwavering dedication to telling the Hartman Castle's story. The exceptional presentation surpassed our highest expectations. We also thank you for the gift of being able to show this masterpiece on demand. Your contributions will undoubtedly have a significant impact on the Castle's future.

Thank you to Western Colorado University staff Julian Rubinstein, Svea Whiting, James Young, Craig Beebe (also a Hartman Board member), Western film students, and the University for allowing us to use that fabulous theater space. We look forward to hosting even more events!

Annie Announcements

We are excited to welcome Nicholas Fischer, a former Western Colorado University student who also interned at the Pioneer Museum, to the Hartman volunteers. We were delighted to receive his master's thesis, "Finding Miss Monroe, a Cow Camp, and an Art Colony Lost in the Middle of Nowhere." Nicholas has made a condensed version of his thesis available [here](#).

The 'middle of nowhere' refers to the Gunnison Country, and pivotal to the 'Art Colony' is our own Annie Hartman.

As Nicholas points out, "Historians frequently discuss the Hartmans, Shores, and Olneys, but mostly the actions of Alonzo, Doc, and Henry as a rancher, sheriff, or entrepreneur, respectively." A bit further down, he comments, "...sources have limited discussion concerning the lives of their wives despite a wealth of records demonstrating the active participation of Annie, Agnes, and Eugene as educators, community organizers, and award-winning artists with fleeting discussions on the Women's Suffrage movements and their relief corps."

This is yet another reason to preserve Hartman Castle: to tell the stories of these fantastic and competent women who shaped their communities and the world. We look forward to sharing more of Annie and her friends, including the important Monday Afternoon Club. There are others and other clubs as well. Stay tuned!