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COLORADO GARDEN SHOW AWARDS \$500,000 IN HORTICULTURE GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS THROUGHOUT COLORADO IN 2011

Organization keeps Colorado green by educating and supporting the home and garden industry

DENVER (May 2, 2011) – Colorado Garden Show, Inc. (CGS), [a non-profit corporation that provides funds for horticultural-related grants, scholarships and events](#) for the benefit of the greater Denver area and the state of Colorado, along with its board of directors, awarded nearly \$500,000 in horticulture-related grant projects to 35 Colorado organizations yesterday at the 2011 Grant and Scholarship Award Ceremony hosted at the Denver Botanic Gardens in Denver. The organization also highlighted two large grant awards announced to Westminster High School and Concerts for Kids in February.

Last month, CGS recognized another \$124,400 in scholarships including a four-year, full-ride scholarship. The full-ride scholarship was awarded to Jessica August of Brush, Colo. to attend Colorado State University to study [agricultural education](#). In addition to paid tuition, room and board, August will receive a laptop with a printer and all expenses will be paid for her books and fees.

For more than 20 years, CGS has offered its scholarships and grants program from proceeds generated from the Annual Colorado Garden & Home Show and Annual Colorado Fall Home Show. Since the 1970s, it has awarded more than \$4 million for horticultural projects and scholarships throughout the state. “It is very important for Colorado Garden Show to support the home and garden industry,” said Jim Fricke, Colorado Garden Show executive director. “We have a passion for this industry and we want organizations to continue their good work in Colorado and maintain an appreciation for horticulture. Not only for its natural beauty, but also for the education it can provide our kids in the benefits of eating healthy.”

From a major grant to [Westminster High School](#) for development of two greenhouses to [Colorado Red Cross](#) to aid in Boulder fire relief efforts to the development of a common garden for veterans at [HomeAid Colorado](#), 35 organizations were recognized and awarded grant checks at the May 1 event, including:

MAJOR GRANTS		
Organization Name	City	Awarded
Concerts for Kids	Denver	\$25,000.00
Westminster High School	Westminster	\$100,000.00
ANNUAL GRANTS		
Organization Name	City	Awarded
Alamosa Convention & Visitors Bureau	Alamosa	\$10,000.00
Anchor Center for the Blind	Denver	\$4,000.00
Art Students League of Denver	Denver	\$1,000.00
Arvada Gardeners	Arvada	\$9,380.00
Boys & Girls Club of Metro Denver	Denver	\$19,390.00
Boys Hope Girls Hope	Denver	\$12,500.00
The Center for Mental Health	Montrose	\$3,000.00
Colorado Federation of Garden Clubs	Monument	\$5,000.00
Colorado FFA Foundation	Hasty	\$1,300.00
Colorado Red Cross	Denver	\$8,874.00

Colorado State University	Fort Collins	\$5,000.00
CSU Extension - Adams County	Brighton	\$5,000.00
Denver Botanic Gardens	Denver	\$25,000.00
Denver Urban Gardens	Denver	\$8,200.00
Excelsior Youth Center	Aurora	\$3,900.00
The Gardens on Spring Creek	Fort Collins	\$8,000.00
The Gathering Place	Denver	\$600.00
Growing Gardens	Boulder	\$2,500.00
Habitat for Humanity	Lakewood	\$8,000.00
The Harvest Center	Woodland Park	\$1,963.00
Haxtun Education Foundation	Haxtun	\$6,790.00
HomeAid Colorado	Denver	\$20,000.00
Hospice of Saint John	Lakewood	\$7,000.00
Monarch K-8	Louisville	\$350.00
Montrose Regional Library District	Montrose	\$5,000.00
Nature & Raptor Center of Pueblo	Pueblo	\$5,000.00
The Park People	Denver	\$10,000.00
Rocky Mountain MS Center	Englewood	\$7,652.00
Ronald McDonald House	Denver	\$4,700.00
Roundup River Ranch	Avon	\$4,825.00
Sedgwick County Health Center	Julesburg	\$2,100.00
Town of Manzanola	Manzanola	\$6,430.00
Western Colorado Botanical Gardens	Grand Junction	\$5,116.00
TOTAL ANNUAL GRANTS AWARDED		\$352,570.00

About Colorado Garden Show, Inc.

Colorado Garden Show, Inc. (CGS) is a non-profit corporation that provides funds for horticultural-related grants and scholarships and events for the benefit of the greater Denver area and the state of Colorado. To date, CGS has awarded more than \$4 million for horticultural projects and scholarships throughout the state. CGS presents the Colorado Fall Home Show focusing on home renovation, remodeling and sustainable living and the annual Colorado Garden & Home Show, the Rocky Mountain region's largest, oldest and most prestigious consumer garden and home improvement show west of the Mississippi in February. For more information, visit www.GardeningColorado.com, [facebook.com/coloradogardenshow](https://www.facebook.com/coloradogardenshow) or Twitter [@cogardenshowinc](https://twitter.com/cogardenshowinc).

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