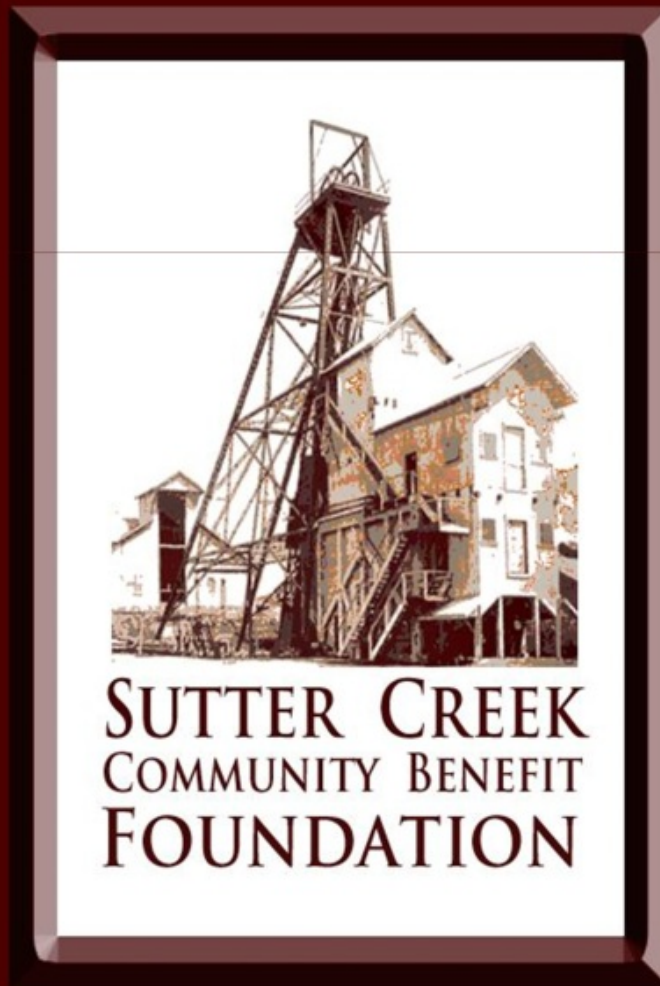


Sutter Creek Community Benefit Foundation

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Fiscal Year 2023 Report

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This report is intended to summarize the accomplishments, plans, and current status of the Sutter Creek Community Benefit Foundation (SCCBF).

ACCOMPLISHMENTS/DONATIONS

On June 10, 2023, the Native Daughters of the Golden West, Amapola Parlor #338, presented new interpretative museum-quality displays to the Sutter Creek Community Benefit Foundation (SCCBF) at the Historic Sutter Creek Grammar School. These signs were designed by the SCCBF Museum Committee and the N.D.G.W.



These displays chronicle the history of the schoolhouse, how it served the children of Sutter Creek and surrounding areas, and how the community has taken care to preserve its historic legacy throughout the last 150 years. These displays are located on the outside of the building to educate passersby and visitors of this community treasure.

One of SCCBF's newest, and most popular museum exhibit, is "The Humble Lunchbox Throughout History". You will learn that as far back as mankind began creating food, he has wanted to eat it somewhere else. The problem was, you couldn't put stew or soup in your pocket – even if you had pockets. You will see examples of miners' lunchboxes made of tin and those for schoolchildren made of metal and plastic.



SCCBF sponsored a lecture with special guest Irene Perbal. Ms. Perbal presented the story of her family's life in Holland under the Nazi occupation. Ms. Perbal's firsthand accounts of her family's efforts to protect the local Jewish community is both poignant and inspiring. Ms. Perbal is a nationally recognized speaker and historian dedicated to preserving the first-hand history of this dark time.

SCCBF also sponsored a reunion for the "Class of 62" which was a gathering of former students of the Historic Grammar School as well as Sutter Creek's Amador High School. The event was held at the Historic Sutter Creek Grammar School.



All in this photo were in the Amador County High School class of 1962

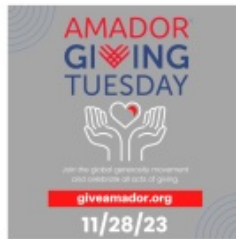


Class 62 Sutter Creek High School gathering 5/21/23

All in this photo were either in the Amador County High School class of 1962
or other classes before and after 1962

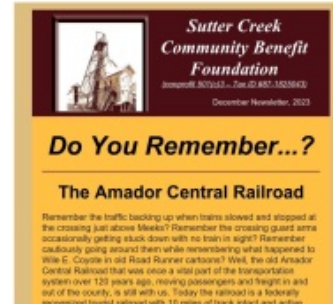
The SCCBF, Sutter Creek Fire District, and Passport to Amador Rotary Club have successfully brought back the annual *Sutter Creek Firemen's Dinner Dance* held on the Saturday of Labor Day weekend. Over 400 local residents and guests enjoyed a tri-tip and spaghetti dinner with music by Darin Sexton and the Highway 49. This event is a major source of discretionary funds for the three organizations as well as an example of the local community culture we are committed to support.





Each year, SCCBF joins the Amador Community Foundation at Katharine Drexel Parish in November for this globally recognized day for giving back – #GivingTuesday. This is another major source of funding for us.

SCCBF distributes a complimentary newsletter each month with a different topic. In most cases it relates to an historical place, person, or event. Information on our lectures and events are also distributed to our readers. The current newsletter and prior editions can be accessed through our website (www.sccbf.org).

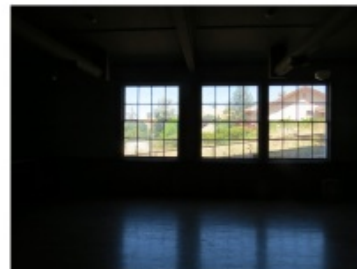


Starting in 2021, we established yet another way to continue with our community enrichment endeavors. Three scholarships, each for \$1,000, continue to be awarded each year. SCCBF is proud to continue this program as part of our vision. If you would like to be a donor, you can designate that your donation be specifically applied to this fund or to our general fund that is used to address needs that make a lasting contribution in our community.

GRANTS

In 2023, the Jackson Rancheria awarded a grant of \$1,500 for purchase and installation of solar blinds in the dance room of the Historic Grammar School.

Additional grant funding will continue to be investigated.



FISCAL YEAR 2024 PLANS

1. Current plans include a fundraising campaign to continue restoration efforts to the historic grammar school. This is anticipated to be a multi-year campaign and would start to address the following:
 - a) Replace and/or repair upper fascia/trim;
 - b) Replace and/or repair window sills, trim, and exterior frames;
 - c) Repair exterior brickwork, determine if repainting is necessary;
 - d) Evaluate/repair/remove original chimney located mid-point of the building;
 - e) Repair roof leak at west/east wing midpoint;
 - f) Replace the missing large frame window in room 2, as well as minor repairs to other room 2 window frames;
 - g) Repair/replace exterior doors and/or frames as needed;
 - h) Determine and implement a solution to preserve/improve the below grade east facing exterior walls and drainage troughs;
 - i) Evaluate the safety and utility of the electrical system;
2. Community events include:
 - a) The Sutter Creek Firemen's Dinner Dance in September;
 - b) Scheduled openings of the school and museum to the public;
 - c) Guest lectures;
 - d) Partnering with other non-profits/organizations to offer a variety of events to the public.
3. New project:
 - a) A Living History Video Tour of Sutter Creek's Most Significant Historical Sites. This is a joint project with the SCCBF and the Amador High School video arts students.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The work of the SCCBF continues to depend primarily upon membership dues and individual donations. Projects and operations are managed through an annual budget process, as approved by the Board. The SCCBF maintains an emergency reserve of \$25,000 as well as a long-term/major project set aside to fund needed repairs to the exterior of the grammar school. Individual projects and events are funded directly from annual revenues. SCCBF complies with all State and Federal requirements necessary to maintain a 501(c)(3) Tax Exempt status (Tax ID #87-1825043).

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The Historic Sutter Creek Grammar School is rich in Gold Rush history. This beautiful building is California's second oldest two-story brick schoolhouse. The Sutter Creek Community Benefit Foundation has restored the first and second floor making it a wonderful rental for any occasion. There are four rooms within the Historic Grammar School that can be rented.



Contact the City of Sutter Creek for information on rates and availability - (209) 267-5647 ext. 230 or email info@cityofsuttercreek.org

Whether it's a love of our heritage, a special connection to our town's diverse, deeply rooted cultures, or a desire to improve your community, every donor's passion for Sutter Creek is unique. A donation to Sutter Creek Community Benefit Foundation is the perfect way to fund your passion and watch it prosper. By connecting people who care with causes that matter, we help ensure a stronger, healthier tomorrow. We provide a simple, powerful and highly personal approach to giving.

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