

BEULAH FIRE PROTECTION AND AMBULANCE DISTRICT AUXILIARY 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

It seems that every year for the Auxiliary is a busy and exciting one, and 2019 was no exception. Luckily, the Beulah area did not have to deal with any devastating fires or resulting floods. Our new fire station is fully equipped, staffed, and very functional -- a welcome and much used addition to the community.

We began 2019 with a pretty slim carryover from 2018, mainly because we were able to purchase the entire kitchen for the new fire station in late December 2018. From appliances to cabinets, this was one of the last big ticket items needed to make the station fully functional. Our first fundraiser of 2019, the very successful Barn Dance, allowed us to replenish the coffers. Held at the Howey's Red Barn, with the popular Triple Nickel Band playing, the gate receipts, beer sales and sponsorships helped us raise over \$8,000! Closely following on the heels of the dance, the annual Beulah Garage Sale held later in June was a huge success. Folks in Beulah donated a diverse array of wonderful items, and area bakers contributed to the ever-popular bake sale. We sold almost everything! Additionally, many exceptionally valuable items were sold at our favorite Beulah consignment store, The Market. The proceeds from these two events, plus a \$5,000 grant from the Southern Colorado Community Foundation and proceeds from the raffle at the Fire Department Pancake Breakfast brought our revenue to over \$30,000 in 2019!

The funds raised went to the purchase of:

- **Exercise equipment**
- **Our yearly commitment of over \$11,000 for vehicle payments**
- **A used brush truck**
- **A new pump for one of the trucks**

We couldn't have done this without the support of our entire community—from attending our functions, to donating baked goods and gently used items for the garage sale, and helping with all the work that makes these fundraisers happen. Thank you all!

Looking ahead to 2020, we'll once again host the Barn Dance and the Garage Sale. We can always use your assistance whether it's helping to set up chairs and tables, making jam and cookies, or brainstorming new fundraising ideas. Whatever the year brings, we hope to offer something new and exciting for the whole community!

The Beulah Fire Auxiliary Board appreciates your continued support!