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## **Grant Recipients Announced for Pinnacle Wind Farm’s Annual Community Benefit Fund**

*Local committee selects recipients for Keyser wind farm’s \$20,000 grant distribution, including volunteer fire departments and youth sports leagues*

**Keyser, WV – January 5, 2026** - The US Wind Force Foundation, Inc. has awarded \$20,000 in grants to 14 local organizations in Mineral County communities. Sponsored by Pinnacle Wind, which is owned and operated by Clearway Energy, this latest round of grants brings the project's lifetime donations to local organizations to over \$331,000.

Grants were awarded to groups that included regional fire departments, child development centers, and public parks and recreation departments and ranged from \$450 to \$3,500.

Recipient selection was managed by an eight-member local Allocation Committee, which evaluated 42 applications to ensure local priorities were met.

Committee Chair Cindy Pyles, a resident of Keyser, praised the group's dedication and highlighted the importance of the fund's structure. “We appreciate that the developers of Pinnacle Wind designed a process for allocating grant money that allowed for local decision-making,” Pyles stated.

The 2025 Pinnacle Wind CBF grant recipients are as follows:

Applicant	Grant Amount	Purpose
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<b>Aging &amp; Family Services of Mineral Co</b>	\$450	Portable projector screen
<b>Andrew Coalition for Community Service</b>	\$1,200	Installation of a wheelchair ramp
<b>Boyce Houser American Legion Post 41</b>	\$1,000	Three ADA-compliant toilets
<b>Catamount Children’s Center, Inc.</b>	\$1,000	Flooring for the infant room
<b>City of Piedmont</b>	\$2,000	New roof for the city park pavilion
<b>Elk District Volunteer Fire Co</b>	\$1,500	Resurfacing of the garage bay floors
<b>Fountain Volunteer Fire Co</b>	\$1,500	Rescue litter wheel and other rope equipment
<b>Friends of Jennings Randolph Lake, Inc.</b>	\$800	Replacement window in the Visitor Center
<b>Keyser Volunteer Fire Dept</b>	\$2,330	Replacement of four gas meters
<b>Keyser Youth Softball Association</b>	\$3500	Building of a storage facility
<b>Kitzmiller Volunteer Fire Dept</b>	\$1,000	Rescue litter and litter wheel
<b>Mineral Co Parks &amp; Recreation</b>	\$1,000	Outdoor bottle filler and fountain with pet station
<b>New Creek Volunteer Fire Dept Inc</b>	\$1,000	Pre-fab building for bathrooms for events
<b>Tri-Towns Fire Co 1 Inc</b>	\$1,720	Repairing or replacing the siren
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	

The US Wind Force Foundation’s Board of Directors and Officers expressed their sincere gratitude to the Allocation Committee, comprising Chair Cindy Pyles, Vice-Chair Logan DeSignore, Jeremy Boinovych, John Lecky, Walt Ward, Cliff Wendricks, Carol Wilson, and Hayward Wilson, for their essential role in serving both the Foundation and the local community. Members meet at Clearway’s Pinnacle Wind Farm to review applications received for the year.

Pinnacle Wind’s Community Benefit Fund has distributed \$20,000 annually since the site came online in 2012.

“It’s rewarding to see how wind energy can provide meaningful support to such worthy initiatives,” said Doug Vance, Clearway’s plant manager at Pinnacle Wind. “As residents and long-time operators in the region, Clearway takes enormous pride in supporting the region.”

### **About US Wind Force Foundation, Inc.**

The US Wind Force Foundation, Inc. is a West Virginia-based nonprofit dedicated to community enhancement through charitable funding. It supports local projects focused on education, public safety, historic preservation, and economic growth, as well as the development of parks, playgrounds, and athletic facilities. Established by the founders of US Wind Force (now Laurel Renewable Partners, LLC), the foundation provides grants to eligible non-profit organizations and local municipalities. For more information, visit the US Wind Force Foundation website [www.uswff.org](http://www.uswff.org).

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