



Cascade Designs' Commitment to Community

For 30 years, Cascade Designs has promoted outdoor recreation and a conservation ethic. Through our community donation program, we donate equipment to groups that restore the environment, increase access to outdoor activities and encourage involvement in outdoor activities. We also take pride in our community, participating in a variety of volunteer projects, such as restoring and maintaining the Snow Lake trail.

Cascade Designs community donation program reinforces the company's commitment to the communities in which we do business. Our charitable giving focuses support on projects that protect outdoor places for recreation and help increase participation in outdoor activities. Specifically, Cascade Designs awards gear donations to nonprofit organizations with the following objectives:

Conservation

Cascade Designs works with action-oriented groups who aim to accomplish specific goals and objectives. We support projects that:

- protect lands and waterways,
- make these resources accessible to more people who enjoy the outdoors, and
- better utilize and preserve our natural resources for recreation.

Outdoor Recreation

In addition to preserving and protecting the environment, Cascade Designs also encourages people to get outdoors and enjoy themselves. We support projects that:

- increase access to outdoor activities,
- encourage involvement in muscle-powered recreation, and
- promote safe participation in outdoor muscle-powered recreation and proper care for outdoor resources.

Because we believe that true change will occur only through action-oriented grassroots movements, we do not fund general environmental education efforts; research, unless it is in direct support of a developed plan for specific action to alleviate an environmental problem; political campaigns; or for profit organizations.

How to Apply

We look for programs with a clear agenda and a strategic plan for achieving the organization's goals. If your work fits within our guidelines, we welcome your proposal.

- Proposals must be submitted via mail to the address below. We evaluate proposals once a month and will respond as soon as possible to your request. **We operate with a lean staff, so please avoid phoning.**
- Please be concise, and limit the length of your proposal to two typewritten pages.
- In the interest of keeping overhead to a minimum, only one proposal from an organization will be considered per year.
- Please be direct and straightforward. We'd rather receive a letter than a pre-printed proposal. We want to know who you are, what you've accomplished, what your mission is, what your goals are, how you plan to achieve them and how our contribution would benefit you. Include proof of 501(c)3 status.

Send your proposal to:

Community Donations Administrator
c/o Cascade Designs
4000 1st Avenue South
Seattle, WA 98134

Thanks for your interest in Cascade Designs' community donation program.