

IN HONOR AND MEMORY

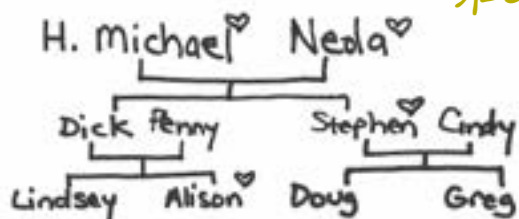
Our Special Grant Relationships

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Honoring seventeen years of service, our Board President, Dick Hayes, was awarded the first annual Adelante Ally Award. The [Adelante Foundation's](#) mission is to empower enterprising women in rural Honduras to achieve economic self-sufficiency. Like Adelante, Dick believes in the power of opportunity. [Their thoughtful tribute](#) brought tears to our eyes.



This year has been unusual for giving grants. Some partners are shifting focus, some are struggling with the pandemic's long-term impact, and some are busy providing services and not focused on fundraising. We took this shift as an opportunity to highlight non-profits we annually support in memory of family. Regardless of the giving environment, these grant relationships hold a special place in our heart. ♥



The [Westminster 7:10 Rotary Club Foundation](#) honors our founder Mike Hayes through the annual H. Michael Hayes Make a Difference Grant and ongoing support of Imagination Library, Dictionary Program for Third Graders, Computers for Kids, scholarships, and other grants related to his love of education and literacy outreach.

A decade after Neola Hayes passed away, we founded the Hayes Family Foundation and she is forever a part of our giving. Neola had a love of life, the Southwest, crossword puzzles, solitaire, and her family. Her last years were debilitated by Alzheimer's and in her memory, we annually donate to [Alzheimer's Association of Colorado](#).

[Pikes Peak Hospice & Palliative Care](#) provided compassion and support during Stephen Hayes's last months of life. We are forever grateful. Every day, we celebrate Stephen's entrepreneurial spirit, humor, and love for his family. This year, we honor him through their [Trees of Life](#) ceremony.



All Hayes Family Foundation grant relationships supporting [mental health](#) are shaped by Alison Hayes's story. She had a light within her that shone around those she loved and her spirit is with us every day.

Dear friends have become family and we also honor their memory annually.

The [Jonathan Holtzinger Scholarship Award of Excellence](#) honors Jon's commitment to North High School and mentorship in the community he so loved. More than nine years later, Jon's life lessons remain with us every day.



Board member Elisabeth Cook grew up with her father Charles "Tony" Cook working with [Open Door Ministries](#) and highly values their compassion and mission. Decades later, Executive Director, David Warren, fondly recalls working with Tony. Open Door Ministries' strength is in the relationships that are formed – true recovery rooted in restoring a person's dignity.

[Newborns in Need](#) provides every family delivering at Denver Health a welcome bag. Our family friend, Tina Burke, led a bag-stuffing gathering every year and now we honor her dedication annually.