

# **Outreach, Grants, and Support**

The Four Corners Chapter's projects of outreach, grants, and other support in accordance with their Mission.

# 2019 4-H County Fair Add-Ons

We are proud to support the youth of the Four Corners area. For the second year in a row we've provided add-ons to the 4-H livestock participants in Montezuma, Archuleta, and La Plata County (Colorado) and San Juan County (New Mexico) fairs. We reached 473 local youth that are involved in showing livestock at our local area fairs.

# 4 Corners 3D Archery Shoot

Saturday, August 3rd, 2019 — Four Corners SCI and Goods For the Woods held the second annual 4-Corners 3-D Archery shoot in Cortez, Colo. at Goods for the Woods'. Turnout of competitors from near and far was a bit lower than in past events. The event included categories for men, women, and children to enjoy shooting their compound or traditional bows. Two courses, were provided with over 40 different 3-D targets of varying yardages and shot angles. This made for an enjoyable course that presented a good challenge for archers of all ages and abilities.

#### 4 Corners Youth Fishing Derby

The 4 Corners Youth Fishing Derby is brought to you by your Four Corners Chapter of SCI, Bruce Spruce Ranch, Let it Fly, and Ski & Bow Rack! A fun morning of fishing at a private pond with prizes for first, smallest, and biggest fish. Equipment was available to use. Entries were accepted for youth, ages 12 and under.

# 4 Corners 3D Archery Shoot

On Saturday, April 6 Four Corners SCI and Goods For the Woods held the first springtime 4-Corners 3-D Archery shoot in Cortez, Colo. at Goods for the Woods'. There was a high turnout of competitors from near and far. The event included categories for men, women, and children to enjoy shooting their compound or traditional bows.

The course, provided by Goods for the Woods, had 22 different 3-D targets of varying yardages and shot angles. This made for an enjoyable course that presented a good challenge for archers of all ages and abilities.



There was a good turnout of youth. In addition to the under 12 youth category, we also had several teens that were competing in the adult division and holding their own quite well. We held a \$20 qualifying round prior to the shoot and after the 3-D shoot was complete, we had a \$5 long range-shoot fundraiser. This consisted of archers attempting to hit a ram target at 96 yards. The winner of the contest won the ram target, which Rinehart generously donated for the event.

# **Coloradans for Responsible Wildlife Management**

The Four Corners Chapter has joined the Coloradans for Responsible Wildlife Management coalition. The Chapter is providing funding and input to/from a lobbyist at Colorado's Capital. The Chapter will agree to sign on to issues that suit it's Mission.

# **BOW-UP 3D Archery Shoot Out Against Cancer**

The Four Corners Chapter donated a Prime Bow to BOW UP, a nonprofit organization that holds 3D archery competition every year to support a family that has debt due to cancer or illnesses. This year's raffle proceeds and a percentage of each entry went to a local boy fighting liver cancer.

# **Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Banquet Fundraiser**

The Four Corners Chapter purchased a table at the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation's local banquet fundraiser event in support of the work they do.

#### Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW)

Conservation - Research Support 07/05/2018 - 08/05/2019 (FY 2020) The Four Corners Chapter of SCI granted funding to Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) for the Black Bear Hazing (tazing) study to buy three collars with a stipulation that CPW must provide a copy of their reports to Four Corners SCI and a presentation of their findings to our membership at our banquet/fundraiser event on March 16, 2019.

# **County Fair 4-H Market Animal Add Ons**

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# **Big Game Forever Support**



Conservation - Habitat 08/02/2018 - 08/02/2018 (FY 2019) The Four Corners Chapter of SCI contributed funding to Big Game Forever as a token of appreciation for the work they have done to raise money to improve hunter access in the Pagosa Springs area. We expressed our interest to BGF to help financially with positive contributions to help hunters access the backcountry in additional forest areas in the future.

# **3D Archery Shoot**

Education - Other - Education 08/05/2017 - 08/05/2017 (FY 2018)

Four Corners SCI is proud to support the Vallecito Conservation & Sporting Association (VCSA) in purchasing targets for the future. We've issued grant money, which has been used to develop a youth shooting area. In addition, the club has purchased new targets for their archery course. The VCSA allowed us to have our Annual Summer Member Meeting Saturday, August 5th, 2017. We sponsored this event and hosted a youth shoot with instructors to help the youngsters, lunch, and a drawing to win a recurve bow! \* Four Corners SCI sponsored shoot \* Instructor assistance for youth (provided by SCI) \* Food and drinks provided by SCI \* Special drawing for a RECURVE BOW (for new and existing SCI members) \* Youth only range \* Hundred dollar bill shoot \* Multiple money categories for men, women, and children The VCSA is allowing us to have our Annual Summer Member Meeting and host a bow shoot Separate shooting stakes for traditional and compound shooters. Life-like hunting shots. Families welcome! 16 years and under must be accompanied by an adult.

## American Wilderness Leadership School (AWLS)

American Wilderness Leadership School (AWLS) 06/07/2018 - 06/07/2018 (FY 2018) The Four Corners Chapter of SCI awarded a financial grant to the Safari Club International Foundation's AWLS organization.

#### **Durango Area Bear Study**

Conservation - Species Specific Management 02/13/2018 - 02/13/2018 (FY 2018) The Four Corners Chapter of SCI awarded funding toward the bear study in the Durango, Colorado area. The organization will share data and/or results with us in the future, be it in written form or at one of our member meetings.

## **Legacy Project 2018**

Education - Youth Hunt 03/17/2018 - 03/17/2018 (FY 2018)

The Four Corners Chapter of SCI Presented the 2018 Legacy Award to a future youth hunter from Pagosa Springs, Colorado. This year's award recipient is presented with a Remington



Youth Model 17 7mm-08 rifle with a Bushnell 4x12-40 scope, ammunition, a local guided hunt with Hodiak Outfitters on Gallegos Ranches and a private gun safety course with MAC Outdoors.

# San Juan County Sharp Shooters 4-H

Education - Shooting Sports 06/07/2018 - 06/07/2018 (FY 2018)

The Four Corners Chapter of SCI awarded funding toward the San Juan County Sharp Shooters' trip to 4-H National shooting competition in Nebraska.

# Silver Spruce Academy

Education - Other - Education 07/11/2017 - 07/11/2017 (FY 2018)

The Four Corners Chapter of SCI awarded a grant to the Silver SPRUCE Academy to be used toward furthering student involvement in conservation and outdoor aspects, which support the Four Corners SCI Mission.

## **Summer Member Meeting and Public Outreach**

Humanitarian - Other - Humanitarian 08/05/2017 - 08/05/2017 (FY 2018)

Member meeting at BowShoot. \* Four Corners SCI sponsored shoot \* Instructor assistance for youth (provided by SCI) \* Food and drinks provided by SCI \* Special drawing for a RECURVE BOW (for new and existing SCI members) \* Youth only range \* Hundred dollar bill shoot \* Multiple money categories for men, women, and children The VCSA allowed us to have our Annual Summer Member Meeting and host a bow shoot on Saturday, August 5th, 2017 at their range. We sponsored this event and hosted a youth shoot with instructors to help the youngsters, provided lunch, and a drawing to win a recurve bow! Separate shooting stakes for traditional and compound shooters. Life-like hunting shots. Families welcome! 16 years and under must be accompanied by an adult.

#### Youth Outreach - FFA Chapters and Fiesta Days Royalty

Humanitarian - Other - Humanitarian 03/16/2018 - 03/16/2018 (FY 2018)

The Four Corners Chapter of SCI auctioned 3 cakes to support the youth organizations, Durango Fiesta Days Royalty, Ignacio Future Farmers of America, and Bayfield Future Farmers of America, who are assisting at our banquet. The total money collected from auctioning all three cakes was split equally and awarded to the three groups.

#### **American Wilderness Leadership School**



Education - American Wilderness Leadership School (AWLS) 05/16/2017 - 05/16/2017 (FY 2017)

Sponsored a Montezuma County teacher to attend the American Wilderness Leadership Program

# **Grant San Juan County 4-H Shooting Team**

Humanitarian - Other - Humanitarian 06/20/2017 - 06/20/2017 (FY 2017)

At Four Corners SCI we are proud to host one of the largest fundraisers in the area and to give back to the community. A piece of our Mission Statement is "To educate youth, sportsmen, and the public in the conservation of our wildlife and our forest, which is our natural heritage." We're putting forth more than one effort in this avenue and will be sharing additional works throughout the year. Please find a recap from the San Juan County 4-H Shooting Team. They recently participated in the 4-H National event, a trip for which our Chapter provided support.

# **Legacy Project**

Humanitarian - Other - Humanitarian 03/04/2017 - 03/04/2017 (FY 2017)

The Four Corners Chapter of Safari Club International proudly presented an Archuleta County Youth with the Legacy Award, which includes a hunt and rifle.

#### **New Mexico Lobbyist**

Conservation - Political Advocacy 02/11/2017 - 02/11/2017 (FY 2017)

The Four Corners Chapter of SCI granted money in support of a New Mexico Lobbyist who spent time at the Capital fighting anti-hunting, anti-trapping, and other bills that were on the docket.

## **Pagosa Pathfinders**

Education - Other - Education - (FY 2016)

Monies granted to support this youth competitive shooting sports team.

# **Legacy Project**

Humanitarian - Other - Humanitarian 04/16/2016 - 04/16/2016 (FY 2016)

The Four Corners Chapter of Safari Club International proudly presented a La Plata County Youth with the Legacy Award.

#### **Pagosa Pathfinders**

Education - Other - Education - (FY 2015)



Monies granted to support this youth competitive shooting sports team.

# **Legacy Project**

Humanitarian - Other - Humanitarian 03/14/2015 - 03/14/2015 (FY 2015)

The Four Corners Chapter of Safari Club International proudly presented a Bayfield youth who is interested in hunting with the Legacy Award, which included a hunting rifle.

# **Pagosa Pathfinders**

Education - Other - Education - (FY 2014)

Monies granted to support this youth competitive shooting sports team.

## Pagosa Pathfinders

Education - Other - Education - (FY 2013)

Monies granted to support this youth competitive shooting sports team.

#### **Colorado Division Of Wildlife**

Conservation - Wildlife Management 11/20/2012 - (FY 2013)

Purchased a tracking collar for their bear project

#### **Pagosa Pathfinders**

Education - Other - Education 07/03/2012 - (FY 2013)

Monies granted to support this youth competitive shooting sports team.

#### **Wounded Warrior Hunt**

Humanitarian - Disabled Hunter 12/01/2012 - (FY 2013)

## **Dustin Darby's Buffalo Hunt**

Humanitarian - SafariWish - (FY 2009)

When members of SCI's Four Corners Chapter received the donation of a Colorado buffalo hunt for a disadvantaged youngster, they settled on 11-year-old Dustin Darby, who suffers from brittle bone disease. Though wheelchair-bound and weighing only 47 pounds, Dustin's aim was spot-on, and he harvested this huge bull with just two shots from his .223 rifle.

#### Elk on the MotherWell

Humanitarian - Disabled Hunter - (FY 2009)



When the MotherWell Lodge & Ranch in Craig, Colorado was looking for youth and disabled veteran hunters for an elk hunt at their scenic 12,000-acre ranch, SCI's four Corners Chapter sponsored ten youngsters and veterans. The report below focuses on the youngsters. To read about the veterans, please click on the Four Corners Chapter's story called "Heroes of a Different Flavor" on this site.

## **Heroes of a Different Flavor**

Humanitarian - Disabled Hunter - (FY 2009)

On February 8, 2009, SCI's Four Corners Chapter, together with the NRA and Colorado Hunting Expeditions, hosted 11 wounded veterans for a cow elk hunt in Craig, Colorado. After three days of hard hunting, 10 cow elk were harvested and friends were made for a lifetime.

# A First Elk for Justin Rogers

Humanitarian - Disabled Hunter - (FY 2008)

In November 2007, SCI's Four Corners Chapter in Colorado sponsored Justin Rogers,

# Courage to Stand: Iraq Veteran Hunts Trophy Colorado Elk

Humanitarian - Disabled Hunter - (FY 2008)

U.S. Army sergeant Mark Ecker, an Iraq veteran who overcame injuries and severe weather to land a trophy bull at Mesa Verde Elk Ranch, thanks to SCI's Four Corners Chapter in Colorado.

# **Daniel Bachorski's Elk Hunt**

Humanitarian - Disabled Hunter - (FY 2008)

In November 2007, the Four Comers Chapter of SCI worked with the Hunt of a Lifetime Foundation in Colorado and many other sponsors to make possible an elk hunt for 17-year-old Daniel Bachorski, who suffers from bilateral disabling cerebral palsy.