



Imagine *the* Methow



The Campaign *for* Sunny M Ranch

Campaign Update

5/12/23

By the Numbers:

Percent Raised to Goal: **103%**

Goal: \$8,300,000

Raised/Pledged to Date: \$8,545,820

AMAZING!!!

Challenge Met!

1200 donations for 1200 acres Challenge

Donations to date: 1349

Goal: 1200 donations

51% Percentage of donors to the campaign who are new to us! Welcome!

of Donors new to us: 687

Number of states (and provinces) outside of WA represented in the donor list. The love for the Methow Valley is far-reaching!

32

\$507K

Amount raised from gifts under \$5,000 (with an average of \$412). Every gift adds up!

You Inspire Us!

“Thank you! My wife first took me on a trip to the Methow back in 1994, and we’ve been there multiple times every year since...It’s an important part of our life still, and a big part of our story of being together.”

This last week we saw a whole bunch of donations from young people who grew up in the Valley but now live afar. - *what an inspiring way to give back to a place that shaped you!*

We’ve received more than 150 gifts in honor or memory of others! What a wonderful way to honor loved ones who love this Valley! To see the donor list to-date go to: <https://methowconservancy.org/sunnym/the-team> (and tell us if we spelled your name wrong!)

“I have been working with the Hover family and hauling hay from Winthrop for 30 years. Alfalfa fields in all stages, the scent and satisfaction of a full hay barn and the ongoing relationship with 2 generations of farmers brought me back year after year. I want to help this family legacy of farming and encourage new generations to continue in agriculture. Now that I don’t have to work so hard, I choose to spend more time here to appreciate the history, the people and the surroundings of this amazing area. I want to help support the Sunny M project.”

“I’ve been visiting the Methow Valley for 30 years. It is a special place near and dear to my heart. It reminds me of the east coast farmland I grew up on, and the Eastern Sierra landscape I came to work and play in, and its winter trails are solace for the soul. Thank you for pulling us all together to make something fine and good.”



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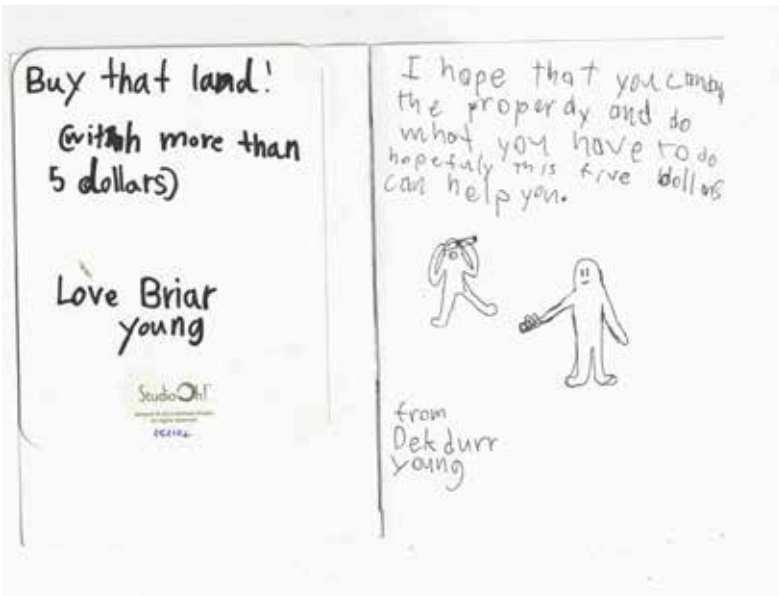
We've been taking the Sunny M Campaign on the road! Perhaps you've seen us at the Sunflower Relay or at a "neighborhood" gathering in Seattle or Leavenworth. This weekend we'll be at 49'ers Days. Huge gratitude to Roxie Miller (above left) who has single-handedly told literally thousands of people about this campaign. She's amazing!



If you haven't received your handwritten thank you note from one of our Steering Committee volunteers, you will! We recently calculated that if you line up all 1349 handwritten notes end to end, you'd create a trail from our office to Sunny M! That sure seems appropriate!



Big thanks to the Shafer Museum for sharing this photo of the Sunny M back in the day! There's no pool anymore, but it's still a place that brings people joy!



We sure love the notes we receive with so many inspiring donations. We're going to miss all this great mail! Thanks to all the young people in the Valley who have reached out with their donations and messages that have cheered us on. The future is bright in this Valley!



Thank you!!!
It has been a true honor for us to get to work on this campaign. We've been thrilled to meet so many new people and to hear so many great stories about people loving this Valley.