



Dear Supporter of the Horticulture Industry:

The Colorado Horticulture Research & Education Foundation (CHREF) plays an integral role in encouraging and rewarding top-performing students at Colorado State University and Front Range Community College through scholarships and contributes to needed research being conducted at CSU. Not only are contributions helping to secure the future leaders of the industry, but they are also responsible for the most up-to-date science and best practices for our industry.

In the past couple years, the research conducted at Colorado State University has established us a leader in horticulture research including multiple published works in scientific journals.

Funds for the foundation are primarily raised through two annual events: the CHREF Golf Tournament and the CHREF Silent Auction, which takes place at the CNGA Industry Celebration Happy Hour. Additionally, CHREF has received individual donations from various individuals and companies.

We are happy to report that the CHREF endowment has grown to over \$900,000 since 1980. In the past five years, the foundation has awarded almost \$165,000 in research grants and scholarship awards to deserving students.

The CHREF Board of Directors strives to use its endowment to make a difference in the industry and the future of horticulture businesses in Colorado, rather than just growing an account. **We urge you to invest in your future and the future of the Colorado Horticulture Industry.** To donate to the foundation, contact the Colorado Nursery & Greenhouse Foundation at 303.758.6672, info@coloradonga.org, or mail a check to the Colorado Horticulture Research & Education Foundation (CHREF), 959 S. Kipling Pkwy, Suite 200, Lakewood, CO 80226.

On behalf of the CHREF Board, we thank you for your support and we look forward to continuing to work for our industry.

Regards,
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