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El Pomar Assists with Ongoing Response to Harvey and Irma

Colorado Springs, Colo. – Sept. 14, 2017 — Agencies in Colorado continue to join the national response to both tropical storm Harvey and hurricane Irma. As American Red Cross efforts continue in Texas, Louisiana and Florida all 4 Colorado Chapters have been mobilized. Two weeks ago El Pomar Trustees provided \$60,000 to American Red Cross of Southeastern Colorado as they deployed at least 30 staff and volunteers in Harvey’s wake.

Today, El Pomar Foundation granted a combined \$50,000 to support Mile High Red Cross, Northern Colorado Red Cross and Western Red Cross Chapters as they are called to assist in the effort to provide safe shelter to those in Irma’s path.

Code 3 Associates, a group specializing in large animal search and rescue including swift-water, high angle and trench rescue, has been working in Texas and are now on their way to Florida. El Pomar Foundation, through the Sally Beck and Hambrick Funds, will provide an additional \$10,000 grant bringing support for both rescue efforts to \$15,000.

“Colorado has welcomed unprecedented assistance from organizations around the country when it’s been necessary. And El Pomar Trustees are proud to support Colorado response and relief organizations as they step up to be part of a national response to current storms.” William J. Hybl Chairman and CEO, El Pomar Foundation

In the aftermath of Harvey, El Pomar staff and Trustees committed to raise \$5,000 toward Red Cross of Southeastern Colorado relief efforts. Happily they exceeded their goal, raising \$5,500.

El Pomar Foundation is one of the largest and oldest private foundations in Colorado. El Pomar contributes approximately \$22 million annually through grants and Community Stewardship programs to support Colorado nonprofit organizations involved in health, human services, education, arts and humanities and civic and community initiatives. Spencer and Julie Penrose founded El Pomar in 1937. To learn more about El Pomar Foundation please go to www.elpomar.org.

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