



IPWA Volunteers, Members and Friends,

The official kickoff for our 2018 fundraising season is here! This is the only time of year when the IPWA actively looks to raise money for our hardworking programs. As you may know, we are a **100% volunteer organization** and ALL funds raised go directly to supporting our program operations. And, this year we received a generous matching donation challenge, where money raised up to \$5,000 by December 31st will be matched. ***So your donations will go even further!***

For the coming year we are looking to fund:

- Multiple trail restoration projects in both the Indian Peaks and James Peak Wilderness Areas,
- Education programs (Wilderness Interns, Research Grants, Wilderness Information Specialist, **New!** -Teach the Teachers Program),
- Advocacy programs (Newsletter, Social Media Outreach, Lecture Series) and
- Patrol programs (Summer Patrols, Winter Patrols, Trailhead Host Days).

How Can You Help?

A large portion of our fundraising campaign will take place on our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages over the next two weeks - including winning photos of the 2018 Photo Contest taken by our volunteers, members, and friends. ***Please share and let your contacts on social media know who we are and what we do!***

Our annual letter to volunteers and members is on its way to you along with a donation envelope. This is an easy way to contribute, and ***all individuals contributing \$100 or more will receive a set of our stunning 2018 IPWA Note Card Pack.*** These are great gifts for the holidays!

If you prefer to donate online, [Colorado Gives Day](#) is coming up on Tuesday, December 4th! You can simply click on our [fundraising profile](#) to learn more about our specific programs and make a donation.

If you are doing online shopping this year, please consider using AmazonSmile - an easy way to have shopping dollars help our organization. For every purchase you make, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the IPWA! For set up instructions, click [here](#).

In closing, ***thank you*** for all that you do as Volunteers, Members and Friends! It is your support and generosity that make our IPWA programs possible and the success that they are!

Keep It Wild!

Sincerely,
Kelly Prendergast
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