



UWP's vision is a healthy watershed, restored from past damages and adaptable to changing

conditions, with a knowledgeable community dedicated to watershed protection and conservation.

UWP exists to help protect and restore the natural, scenic, and economic values of the Upper Uncompahgre River Watershed, from its headwaters to the northern Ouray county line.

UWP's Values

- educating, engaging, and fostering environmental stewardship
- using a science-based approach
- acknowledging natural challenges in the watershed
- ensuring that projects are feasible, adaptive, and sustainable
- leveraging partnerships with collaborators
- appreciating the needs and values of diverse water users

The Uncompahgre River is named by the Ute people, the watershed's early inhabitants. We recognize that the Upper Uncompahgre River Watershed, where UWP does its work, is located on Ute's ancestral lands, and we acknowledge their historic and contemporary connections to these resources.

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Dear Friend of the Uncompahgre River Watershed,

Your quality of life is intertwined with having a healthy watershed. Rivers, groundwater, and every natural water source contribute to your daily living – at home, work and play.

The Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership (UWP) is committed to conserving and improving watershed health for our community, visitors who support our economy, and our downstream neighbors. We need your financial support to do this.

Past donor support has helped our nonprofit grow its capacity to:

- understand and evaluate the Upper Uncompahgre River Watershed,
- identify and plan watershed restoration and preservation projects, and
- promote watershed stewardship by the community and visitors through education.

Did you know that we have seven year-round contractors, including four scientists, dedicated to moving local projects forward, building partnerships, and making our work sustainable?

We leverage that professional support by coordinating 12 year-round volunteers who together contribute more than 100 hours per month, plus dozens of event volunteers who give an additional 600 hours per year.

UWP has several projects underway and being planned, including monthly river water sampling providing critical data to many partners, wetlands restoration with multiple benefits from groundwater connection to wildfire suppression, and erosion control that will improve recreation and water quality. We share our knowledge of watershed science and local conditions through diverse channels, and work hard to develop community engagement activities such as field trips.

In a metaphorical sense, the train is on the tracks and the carts are loaded, but we need your help to fuel the engine! We work hard to obtain grants and organize fundraising events, but donations and memberships are critical. Our budget is approximately \$150,000 in 2025, and will be about the same in 2026. Our goal is to raise \$36,000 from individual, family and business donations during this year-end drive.

The future of our watershed depends on the generosity of caring people like you. Please donate what you can. Your donation helps us fund strategic administrative work that allows us to coordinate all of our staff, volunteers and partnerships.

Join or renew as a member so you can become part of our team working to improve all of our lives through a healthier watershed.

THANK YOU!

**From the Board and Staff of the
Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership**



UWP is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. Your donation is tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

Enterprise Zone tax credits are also available for those who qualify.



YES, I want to support the Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership and a healthy watershed in Ouray County!
Membership Level: *(please circle level)*

Individual \$40 Family \$75 Business \$100

I want to give more for a total donation of: *(please circle one)*

\$50 \$100 \$120 \$200 \$400 \$500 Other: \$ _____

OR: Please set up a recurring monthly donation* of:

_____ **per month** *(please fill in amount)*

**Recurring donations of \$5 or more per month help UWP sustain fundraising and activities year round. (\$8/month is only \$2/week for you but adds up to \$96/year for us; \$15/month is only 50 cents/day but adds up to \$180/year; \$40/month=\$10/week or \$480/year)*

The information below is what we have on file. Please make any necessary corrections or additions so we can update our records.

Name(s):

Phone:

Email:

UWP does not share your email, mailing address, or phone number with any other person or entity.

My contribution is \$250 or more AND I would like to receive a 25% Colorado State Income Tax Credit certificate. **The last 4 digits of my Social Security Number or Tax ID is:** _____.

Payment Method: *(please check your preference)*

_____ **I've enclosed a check payable to UWP.**

_____ **I will donate by credit card with my mobile phone by using the QR code in the left margin, or by going to UWP's website:**
<http://www.uncompahgrewatershed.org/membership/>

Please contact me about volunteering with UWP _____.

I'm interested in learning more about serving on the UWP Board of Directors _____.

Please feel free to email Tanya at tanya@uncompahgrewatershed.org with questions and ideas.