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President's Note

This has been an unprecedented year at The Community Foundation! From ReadySetLearn: The Starting Point Matters to the Health Information Exchange to the passage of ballot initiative 3A (partially supporting early childhood education) to the Boulder Mountain Fire Relief Fund, it has been a year about pushing for transformation and being a steady rock when the lives of so many community members suddenly and dramatically changed. [Read Full Report](#)

Whatever The Community Foundation has accomplished this year is because of our amazing donors and sponsors, Trustees, volunteers, and fellow non-profit organizations. **On behalf of The Community Foundation and in the spirit of building a culture of giving, I want to thank you for your support and inspiration and congratulate everyone at your organization for doing so much good for Boulder County.**

May your holidays be full of good cheer, good health, and a good start to 2011!

Sincerely,
Josie Heath, President

Happy Culture of Giving Week! December 6-12, 2010

By now you've see that "little yellow ball" all over town--on RTD buses, in the Daily Camera, and maybe even at Jax Fish House or Zolo! That's right. It's the time of year when we celebrate the great work of Boulder County's non-profit organizations and the importance of giving.

Thank you to each and every one of you for being part of Boulder County's growing [Culture of Giving](#). We're onto something good, and now we need to sustain it!





Tell your friends, your family, and your colleagues,
" Join the movement and help raise \$1 million for The Community Trust to support Boulder County non-profit groups!"

A fun way to participate ([besides making a donation online right now!](#)) is to enjoy a meal at Jax or Zolo thru December 13th, and add a donation onto your bill.

Giving IS a ball. Pass it on!

An Update on the Boulder Mountain Fire Relief Fund

We are happy to report that grants have been distributed to applicants of the Boulder Mountain Fire Relief Fund. The fund's purpose was to support intermediate needs of local mountain residents, community organizations, and fire departments directly affected by September's Fourmile Canyon Fire.

[Read Full Story](#)

Announcements & Events

A Pretty New Face and So Much More!

Please hop on www.commfound.org to see what's new and improved. We have a new look and new navigation to make learning about The Community Foundation easy. [Let us know what you think!](#)

15 Forever Funding Proposals Due January 21, 2011

[See 15 Forever Request for Proposals](#)

You respond. We deliver.

[See The Community Foundation's Annual Report](#)

CYE is conducting a Boulder Community Survey to establish a baseline on how child and youth friendly Boulder is. The idea is that if a city works well for children it works well for everyone. For more information and the link to the survey see:

[CU Children, Youth, and Environment Center Survey](#)

[Center for ReSource Conservation Tool Library Now Open](#)

Leadership Fellows Program Update

The Community Foundation's 2010-2011 Leadership Fellows Program is now fully underway. [This year's fellowship class is made up of twenty-one stellar emerging leaders from diverse sectors across the community.](#) Participants come from the non-profit, government, and business sectors. So far this year, fellows have dialogued on a range of topics, including community priorities and finding common ground. They also volunteered

their time doing fire mitigation work at Cal-Wood. In the coming weeks, fellows will discuss: Inclusive Leadership, County Government, Municipal Government, Big Business and Large Non Profits, Entrepreneurship, and Strategic Partnerships.

In association with the Leadership Fellows sessions, The Community Foundation hosts luncheons for community members to meet with Fellows. Luncheons will be held on the following dates from Noon to 1PM. If you are interested in attending any or all of these, please RSVP to max@commfound.org.

1/24/2011	Houston Room, @ Clerk & Recorder 1750 33rd St., Boulder	County Government
4/18/2011	BMoCA 1750 13th Street, Boulder	Big Business & Large Non-Profits
7/18/2011	Goodhue 2009 S. 112th Street Broomfield, CO 80020 US	Conclusion & Wrap-up

We did it! Yes on 3A boosts funding for early childhood education.



Ellery Barge plants a yard sign in support of 3A!

Our donors and volunteers worked hard to educate the community about the achievement gap that leaves our low income and Latino students on a drop-out track, while their more well-off peers go on to college.

The Boulder Valley School Board took notice of this campaign and soon invited us to partner in crafting the ballot issue that would become 3A. Voters affirmed this work resoundingly, with 61% voting "yes" on 3A! The \$22.5 million measure included \$5 million per year to double full-day Kindergarten and increase preschool by 60% for low-income students. It's an enormous win for an important initiative of The Community Foundation and would not have been possible without a wide base of community support. Thank you!

Thank you 2010 Community Partners

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