THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOULDER COUNTY IS A COMMUNITY CATALYST

We inspire ideas and ignite action to improve the quality of life in Boulder County. We make informed decisions to respond to immediate needs and anticipate future challenges.

Join us to make a difference.
We can accomplish more together than alone.

“We support all kinds of community efforts, but the programs and initiatives of the Community Foundation cover a wide range of community concerns—they reach out and support the community in ways that individual nonprofits just can’t.”
~ Linda Bacharach

“The Community Foundation has inspired thousands to become philanthropists, and it has become a trusted source for identifying and addressing our community’s evolving needs. We don’t know what the future will bring, but the foundation is well positioned to help guide our community towards a brighter future.”
~ Conrad Lattes

“I’ll always remember our work together to elevate philanthropy. It symbolized the type of community building work that the Community Foundation is so famous for.”
~ Rick Sterling

“Foundation staff are helping us come to some important decisions in how we align our values and our personal priorities for the greatest impact, locally.”
~ Dave Renne

“The Community Foundation is truly all about community. If you’re interested in this community where you live, the foundation is your best source for learning about our county’s unmet needs, and how you can help solve local challenges.”
~ Cindy Lindsay

“I value the proactive response to community issues and emergencies, and I admire the Community Foundation’s courage to act as an agent of change in difficult times.”
~ Colleen Conant
OUR COMMITMENT TO BOULDER COUNTY: TOGETHER, WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Whether you’re concerned about a specific issue or you’re simply looking for a local way to be a part of “the solution,” your donation to the Community Foundation Boulder County makes an impact you can see. Without the foundation and our partners, the following wouldn’t have been possible:

EXAMPLES OF IMPACT

$75M+ granted since inception

- Catalyzed more than $37M in annual public funding for Boulder County schools—School Readiness Initiative

$37M

- Distributed for local disaster relief

$3.8M education

- Reached 3k Latino parents in person with resources supporting early childhood education—School Readiness Initiative

$75M+ homelessness

- Convened agencies serving the homeless population resulting in a model for greater interagency collaboration and coordination to achieve better client services and outcomes

81%

- 81% of fellows have joined a nonprofit board and 26% a government board or commission—Leadership Fellows Boulder County

200

- 200 entrepreneurs committed to giving back have granted $6M and hundreds of volunteer hours to Front Range nonprofit organizations—Pledge 1% Colorado

400k+

- $400k+ has been granted to support local programs serving LGBTQ community—Open Door Fund

500

- Piloting a program to extend specialty care access to more than 500 county residents through a program connecting Medicaid and uninsured patients

COURAGE TO LEAD

Our donors, grant recipients, staff and board are people compelled to take action, and we all understand that the foundation offers a singular opportunity to pool resources leveraging the potential for impact across, not one, but many issues.

Since 1991, the foundation and its partners have tackled concerns such as helping students succeed, keeping the arts vibrant, access to health care, oppression and violence, poverty, environmental education, diverse and inclusive leadership, and supporting equity for our most marginalized residents. This work happens through programs and initiatives like our School Readiness Initiative, the Arts Trust, Boulder County Health Information Collaborative, the BRAVO, Veterans, and Open Door Funds, Leadership Fellows Boulder County, and our grantmaking.
SERVICES
HEALTH & ANIMALS

Through a variety of competitive grant cycles, dedicated funds (sometimes established by donors and sometimes created with the foundation as a primary partner), programs, and Donor-Advised Funds, we support the following funding areas:

ANIMALS & THE ENVIRONMENT
ARTS & CULTURE
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
EDUCATION
GEOGRAPHIC FOCUSES
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
LATINO COMMUNITIES
LGBT COMMUNITIES
VETERANS
YOUTH

Visit commfound.org to see the Community Foundation’s most recent grants.

We’re also uniquely positioned to make a difference, because of our community expertise and informed decision-making ability.

GRANTMAKING THAT MATTERS

INFORMED DECISIONS

Key to informed decision-making, we listen. We listen to our nonprofit partners, community leaders, business leaders, philanthropists, professional advisors, and residents countywide. We welcome your insights and contributions toward a shared knowledge base and a stronger community.

Additionally, our TRENDS Report—a collection of 150 community indicators—drives smart grantmaking for maximum impact, inspires leadership, and kindles collaboration and partnerships.

What makes this community a great place to live, work and play? What are our most pressing social, economic, and environmental challenges? We will help you follow local trends and what they mean for your community. commfound.org/trends

When I first moved to Boulder someone handed me a TRENDS as way to get to know the community. I loved it.

– Becky Boone, Code for Boulder Volunteer
YOUR COMMITMENT TO YOUR COMMUNITY: IMPACT STARTS HERE

To make informed decisions about smart, meaningful philanthropy, you’ve come to the right place.

Your Community Foundation Boulder County…

**BUILDs** permanent funds to support a diverse array of issues across the county and beyond

**MAKEs** informed decisions based on data and deep community relationships and expertise

**VALUES** an inclusive approach and knows more is accomplished when we work together

**STANDs** with marginalized communities

**EMPOWERs** diverse leadership countywide

**OPERATEs** programs to build a culture of giving among entrepreneurs

**TRACKS** the social and economic health of the county and shares that report broadly

**NURTUREs** a community of people who want to make a difference

**SUPPORTs** philanthropy during times of community crisis

WAYS TO GIVE

We invite you to make a gift to the Community Foundation, or establish a fund using a variety of assets - from cash, check or credit card to tangible personal property, real estate, business interests, planned gifts and more. With us you can make high-impact gifts in several ways:

Support the day-to-day operations of the foundation with an unrestricted gift or support Boulder County nonprofit organizations through our Community Trust or a Field of Interest Fund. Actualize your personal philanthropic goals through a Donor-Advised Fund or legacy gift.

Support your Community Foundation

Donate and support immediate local needs, help us prepare for future challenges—and strengthen the work of your Community Foundation.

Join thousands of other community members by donating to our **Community Trust** and see your dollars support hundreds of local organizations the foundation has determined make the biggest difference in community health care, addressing poverty, educating children, enhancing lives through the arts, building inclusive and just communities, civically engaging residents, and more.

We also have dedicated funds that support the needs of our local Latino, LGBTQ, and Veteran communities, as well as work specifically in the arts, the environment, and education. And, if you’ve been inspired by one of our programs or initiatives catalyzing unique community impacts, we hope you’ll direct a gift there.

Please consider making an unrestricted gift. As a nonprofit organization, we rely on donations for our day-to-day operations, as well as to address opportunities and concerns across Boulder County.

For more information about how you can make a difference, contact us at PhlanthropicServices@commfound.org
Establish a Donor-Advised Fund

Some donors want a simple way to optimize their giving; others are experiencing a one-time financial or tax event that calls for making a large charitable gift. Still others crave strategies for making their philanthropy a family venture. Either way, establishing a named Donor-Advised Fund at your Community Foundation – adding to it any time, in any amount – may be a smart choice for you, your family, or your business.

A flexible, disciplined approach

We offer personalized, high-service funds – and you’ll tap into our deep understanding of community investment opportunities, along with our proven philanthropic expertise and research capacity. We work to help our donors feel organized, educated and responsive, rather than reactive. We facilitate family philanthropy, offer ongoing educational events, and provide research and due diligence on grantees.

Fund assets are invested and professionally managed for tax-free growth. Donors may choose one of the foundation’s investment pools (active traditional management, an indexed pool, cash, or a Socially Responsible portfolio), or you have the option to work with your own financial advisor to continue investing charitable assets.

There are no minimum or maximum annual distribution requirements for grants from Donor-Advised Funds. By keeping your fees local, you are investing in the Community Foundation to make grants to local organizations, as well to take the lead solving community-wide issues.
### Investment Options for Your Fund

**Blended Pool**
Our Blended Pool is invested 75% in index funds, with 25% managed by active managers, split 3:2 between a traditional and a socially responsible focus.

**Indexed Pool**
Our Indexed Pool is all in indexed funds. This pool consists of index funds that reflect the foundation’s asset allocation strategy from our Investment Policy Statement.

**Active-Traditional Pool**
We offer an Active-Traditional Pool, which will allocate 100% of the fund to be actively managed by our partner.

**Active-SRI Pool**
Donors may also opt to be 100% in a pool that is invested using a socially responsible investment screen.

**Cash Pool**
Donors have always had—and continue to have—the option of keeping their funds all in cash, and not invested in the market.

**Outside Financial Advisor**
This program allows your own financial advisor to hold your charitable assets and manage the investment of your fund.

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### Leave a Legacy
We’ve come to know that many Boulder County residents want to leave a legacy of giving beyond their lifetimes— for generations to come. Hundreds of people who love this community have committed more than $30M to ensure a better future through bequests or other planned gifts with the Community Foundation.

### Types of Planned Gifts

- **Name Community Foundation in Your Will**
- **Beneficiary of an Insurance Policy**
- **Beneficiary of a Retirement Plan, or Annuity**
- **Create a Charitable Remainder or Charitable Lead Trust**
- **Gifts of Real Estate or Business Interests**

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For more information or to establish a fund, contact us at Philanthropicservices@commfound.org
WHY START PLANNING NOW?

Take control
We’ll work with you to ensure we understand your giving goals so we can uphold and uplift your intentions after your lifetime.

Affirm that our mission continues to resonate
Observe and get involved in the work of your Community Foundation, thereby confirming first-hand that our efforts remain aligned with the causes you’re most passionate about – and that the foundation remains a good fit with your legacy.

Connect with other community-minded individuals
When you let us know about your future gift, you’ll become a member of our Legacy Society. You’ll be invited to special events, and you’ll be deservedly recognized in foundation communications (unless, of course, you prefer anonymity).

Engage and have fun
While your planned gift won’t be realized until later, we offer many occasions to engage with your community now – and to see all of the ways your gift will help make a difference.

“This is home, and it always will be. So we wanted to make sure that our giving would achieve the greatest possible philanthropic impact in the community we love. That led us to join the Legacy Society by designating a portion of our estate to the foundation.”
– Scott Andrews

“We know the foundation is “in it” for the long haul. We wanted to start something that would continue to pay dividends for many years to come. It was an easy decision to support our community through the Community Foundation. And it’s really changed the focus and the energy of our lives, while we’re still here.”
– Jennie Arbogash

For more information about planned giving options and opportunities, contact us at PlannedGiving@commfound.org