September 2017 Round-Up

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Community Foundation's Open Door Fund Grants More Than $37K
Boulder County nonprofits funded to enhance the lives of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer/questioning community members.

CIRC Offers Free DACA Renewal Clinics, Resources
Assistance and resources from the Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition to build inclusive and just communities.

Community Partner Spotlight: First Western Trust, Boulder
“...for clients who have a passion to give back to our community, and to achieve
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the most meaningful impact for their dollars, we know the Community Foundation offers a range of giving options - and that they've already completed the legwork and the vetting processes.” ~Matt Gorr, Chairman, First Western Trust, Boulder

Making Informed Decisions
Jeff Hirota, CEO

Today, I’m thrilled to introduce the October 10 launch of the 2017-19 edition of our Boulder County TRENDS Report. I encourage you to keep in touch through our blog, our monthly radio show, and regular updates on social media - including the foundation’s brand new presence on Instagram! - for news and knowledge shared from TRENDS. In the weeks and months ahead, we’ll also be announcing free community events to help you delve into current community data, including TRENDS events in Longmont on Oct. 10 and in Boulder on Oct. 16.

For the first time - in addition to available hardcopies of the report - TRENDS will be available online in its entirety. That means the data, stories, community insights, and recommendations we’ve compiled are easily accessible at your fingertips. When the online version of the report is live on October 10, I encourage you to create a TRENDS bookmark in your browser for your quick reference to our new searchable database of more than 150 indicators of our community’s social, economic and environmental health.

Why the buzz? More

You're Invited!
TRENDS Report Launch & Listening Tour Report

Please join us for a report about what we learned during our 2017 Listening Tour, and a presentation of highlights from our soon-to-be published TRENDS Report. Let’s get inspired for the next wave of making a difference together!

Free registration for a location of your choice.
October 10, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
United Church of Christ Fellowship Hall, Longmont

October 16, 8 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
Boulder Jewish Community Center, Boulder

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Donating to your Community Foundation makes a local impact you can see.
Get inspired. Donate here.

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On Our Blog: Donor Spotlights

Sandy & Sally Bracken

“The foundation is in a good position to tackle our toughest issues. That’s why we’re committed to ensuring its work continues. We want to see the quality of life here be the best it can be, for all - and it’s great to be a part of that.”
-Sandy Bracken

Brothers Stuart & Walter Kingsbery

“It’s important to give back, and establishing a fund became a good opportunity to organize a social gathering that’s fun, too.”
-Stuart Kingsbury

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Announcements & Program Spotlights
"A Public Affair" On KGNU: A Preview Of The Community Foundation's 10th Boulder County TRENDS Report

On September 25, the Community Foundation's Chris Barge, VP of Strategic Initiatives, previewed the 10th Boulder County TRENDS Report. Hear highlights from this latest edition, to be published on October 10.

On the fourth Monday of every month, the Community Foundation hosts "A Public Affair" on KGNU Radio (88.5 FM). Our radio show is one of the ways in which we listen to our community, and stay informed about issues and opportunities in Boulder County.

Are You 70.5 Or Older?
Thanks to the permanent passage of IRA Charitable Rollover legislation, donors age 70.5 and older can transfer up to $100K from their IRAs to the Community Foundation, as a tax-free lifetime gift.

Job Opening: Finance Associate
The Community Foundation is seeking a part-time Finance Associate, reporting to the CFO.

The Finance Associate will process many of the finance and accounting functions critical to the foundation's day-to-day operations, in addition to providing assistance in managing our audit, tax filings, and other finance-related responsibilities.

Learn more and spread the word!

On Poverty, And Being Informed
"...the reality is that there is no place in Colorado where poverty doesn't exist in some form or fashion."
-Eliberto Mendoza, Board of Trustees

Be Politically Savvy
"It's crucial that we understand how policies affect our community - and to really understand current

Local Leaders Unpack Affordable Housing Crisis
What's happening in Boulder County's housing market, and what's the impact of the high cost of living here?

Expert panelists explore the local effects of the national
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Hurricane Season: How You Can Help

Hurricane Recovery Efforts

The 2017 hurricane season has become one of the most active seasons on record, with hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria devastating parts of the U.S. mainland, as well as Puerto Rico, the U.S. and British Virgin Islands, Cuba, and several Caribbean islands.

People around the country are pitching in to aid those affected. But help is still needed, and there are many ways for Boulder County residents to donate. Here’s how to help provide urgent relief and essential services to the people who need it most.

2017 Statement Of Affirmation

The Community Foundation Boulder County is committed to being a community catalyst for good, alongside donors and partners like you. We believe our community is stronger when all people - women and men, children, older adults, immigrants, people of color, GLBTQ individuals, those with varying abilities and from all faiths - are respected, welcomed, and invited to share their assets and contributions in community building.

We stand with others, in Boulder County and beyond, who courageously strive to build more inclusive communities rather than walls of division. We remain wholeheartedly committed to social justice for our most marginalized and vulnerable people and for the care of threatened environments. We believe in the power of art and music to improve our lives and community. Now, more than ever, we seek opportunities for local action and invite you to join us in our ongoing leadership work that includes grantmaking, outreach, and advocacy. We accomplish more together than we do alone.
Surveying The Field

- Racial Discrimination Tops List of Causes Millennials Care Most About, Study Finds (September 20, The Chronicle of Philanthropy)
- Grantees Can Be More Effective if Given More Unrestricted Dollars, Report Concludes (September 19, The Chronicle of Philanthropy)
- Barbs, Jabs, and the Roles of Community Foundations (September 14, Center for Effective Philanthropy)
- Nonprofit Leaders and Fundraisers Call For Greater Diversity (September 14, The Chronicle of Philanthropy)
- Nonprofits Fear Sting of Tax Reform (September 11, Bloomberg Bureau of National Affairs, Inc.)
- Congress, defend the common law and common sense of nonpartisanship (September 7, The Hill)
- In Collaboration, the Means Matter (September 6, 2017, Community Wealth Matters)
- Giving Up 4.3% Compared to 2016 (September 1, The Nonprofit Times)