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Thanks to the generosity of one of our Donor-Advised Fundholders, your Community Foundation was able to grant \$100K to the *Colorado COVID Relief Fund*, supporting our neighbors around the state.

Welcome to our new *Office Manager and Executive Assistant, Hannah Blum*. Hannah joined us just as the world turned upside down, and we're already deeply grateful for her steady presence, humor, and "get it done" approach.

Community Foundation Boulder County is conducting all regular business remotely and is here to serve. *You can reach everyone on staff by phone or email.*

Message from Sue Anderson, Board Chair



Dear Friends,

As I begin my term as Chair of Community Foundation Boulder County's board, I am struck with how much has changed since I first agreed to do this. It's a new world, and I am honored to serve. As in past crises, the foundation has quickly mobilized, and we are getting resources to the communities where they are most needed - basic needs services to people already most impacted by inequity, let alone most vulnerable to a serious health crisis.

The things I'm thinking a lot about are concern, gratitude, and hope. I worry about those who are most impacted and are struggling with basic needs as a result of this pandemic.

The need is overwhelming and likely to get worse. I'm concerned about what things will look like when we come into a new phase of this world, not only for individuals but for our small businesses and our non-profit sector. And of course, I have concern for everyone who has been infected and for their long-term recovery.

Beyond the concerns though, I have a lot of gratitude. I'm so grateful for the generosity of our community stepping up, and, for having a strong community. I'm grateful for resources and leaders here and around the state who believe in science, provide us with good information, and take measures that are protecting us all. I'm so grateful for the organizations on the front lines of this crisis. Thank you.

Then there is hope. Hope for the future to rebuild some different and more equitable systems and ways of being in our community. Hope that we learn about our place on the planet. Hope that we can do better in the future to be ready, adaptable, and to ensure resilience for all. I have hope that we will all continue to do what we can, whether that is giving to organizations on the front lines or our own *COVID-19 Response Fund Boulder County*, volunteering your time when you can, or simply being kind. All of that matters, and all of that is important.

Stay safe and well,
Sue Anderson, Board Chair

Donate to the COVID-19 Response Fund Boulder County

Standing With Boulder County's Nonprofit Organizations: A Message From Community Foundation Boulder County & The Longmont Community Foundation

Dear Friends,

People and businesses around Boulder County are stepping up to support frontline nonprofit organizations responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. These groups are experiencing volunteer losses, unprecedented demands for services, and have had to restructure how they operate. Through supporting these frontline nonprofit groups, our community is rallying to remember - despite shared financial and personal hardships - those most vulnerable among us.

In fact, all nonprofit organizations - from those providing direct services in response to the pandemic to cultural organizations to outdoor education programs - are struggling from income losses and facing more. Some organizations will benefit from government and foundation aid, but not all. **The reality is that many of Boulder County's nonprofits will not survive this crisis, unless individuals continue stepping up to save the important organizations that support and enhance the needs and lives of us all.**

The Longmont Community Foundation and Community Foundation Boulder County urge you to [give generously to local nonprofits on May 5, as part of the #GivingTuesdayNow campaign.](#)

In these unusual times, here are a few ideas for how you might consider finding new ways to make a gift:

- **It is now easier to claim a tax deduction.** If you do not itemize on your taxes but make charitable cash donations in 2020, you are eligible to take a \$300 income tax deduction. If you do itemize, an income tax deduction will be allowed for every dollar contributed (cash donations) up to the taxpayer's adjusted gross income.
- Consider using **your stimulus check.**
- **Families, friends, or colleagues can decide on a Boulder County organization(s) they wish to support.** Collect what you can each give and designate one adult to hop online during [#GivingTuesdayNow](#) and make the donation.

No matter the amount you are able to give, it will help make a difference. That is the power of a day like [#GivingTuesdayNow](#). When all of us come together from across the county, our impact is broad and can be deep.

Together, for Boulder County's nonprofit community,

Eric Hozempa, Executive Director & Jeff Hirota, CEO
Longmont Community Foundation Community Foundation Boulder County

Your Community Foundation's Vision of Equity

Your Community Foundation's *strategic plan* is focused on increasing equity in Boulder County. To us, that means aligning our community programming, business, and philanthropic services toward **creating systems where all can thrive**.

The foundation's ability to make a difference is based on our ability to prioritize the following core values:

- Prioritizing those most impacted by inequity
- Following a resident-centered leadership practice of "Do nothing about us without us"
- Accomplishing more together than alone

Thank you for joining us in this work. To keep up with our latest activities, *please subscribe to our blog* from the footer of our website.



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