Message from Tatiana Hernandez, CEO

Dear Friends,

Just under a month ago we said bon voyage to our dear friend Jeff Hirota. It was a gift to spend two weeks overlapping with Jeff, absorbing his wisdom as I began my service as CEO of your Community Foundation. It's a strange time to make this transition (I've heard it referred to as "quarantime"), when the very nature of time feels surreal. It's also a profoundly meaningful time, as we work together to support our friends and neighbors. For many, this moment has solidified the importance of our local connections. The social networks and supports that keep society running need our attention so that all in our community can weather this moment and be prepared to thrive.

One thing I have heard repeatedly over the last few weeks is an awareness that community foundations were built for moments like this. Our knowledge of and relationships with our grantee and community partners are vital in this moment. Our ability to take in and steward funds where they're most needed is unique. And, our understanding of how today's acute needs overlap with pre-existing inequities, grounds our decision-making. To that end, your gifts totaling $1.6 M to the foundation's COVID-19 Response Fund, have supported those most vulnerable during the pandemic, and your contributions are shaping our community's relief and recovery efforts.
The Community Foundation also raises funds to support its operations. Without your annual gifts, the foundation would not be poised to deploy grants, gather and share community data, and serve as a convener and thought partner. We stand ready to listen, be responsive and act when needed. My arrival coincides with the foundation’s mid-year operating appeal, and I hope you will consider empowering us to continue this work by supporting our annual fund today.

You make this work possible.

Over the next month, I will host a series of virtual meet-n-greets with members of the community (this means YOU). I invite you to join me so we can get to know each other (see below). A community foundation thrives when all voices are at the table. Thank you for continuing to be an engaged member of this community that we all love. I look forward to hearing your thoughts on how we can continue to be of service towards cultivating a more equitable and resilient Boulder County.

Warmly,
Tatiana

Meet-n-Greets with Tatiana
Click on your preferred date for details and to register.

- **Boulder:** Thursday, 8/20 @ 12:00 pm
- **Boulder:** Monday, 8/31, 2:00 pm
- **Boulder:** Wednesday, 9/9, 10:00 am
- **Mountains:** Monday, 8/24, 2:00 pm
- **Mountains:** Friday, 9/4, 10:00 am
- **Mountains:** Monday, 9/7, 4:00
- **Louisville, Lafayette, Erie, and Superior:** Monday, 8/24, 4:00 pm
- **Louisville, Lafayette, Erie, and Superior:** Tuesday, 9/1, 11:00 am
- **Louisville, Lafayette, Erie, and Superior:** Friday, 9/11, 2:00 pm
- **Longmont:** Tuesday, 8/25, 9:00 am
- **Longmont:** Monday, 9/7, 2:00 pm
- **Longmont:** Friday, 9/11, 10:00 am

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**Grants, Leadership, Announcements & Opportunities**

**COVID-19 Response:**

*Eldora Play It Forward Fund: “a hyper-local” solution to COVID-19*

- Ski and Snowboard Club Providing Modified Summer Youth Development
- Canyon Cares

*Virtual Art Auction Benefits Local Artists, COVID Relief Efforts*

*Partnering with Boulder Chamber to Provide Small Business Funding*

*COVID-19 Information and Resources Page*

*TRENDS Diary connecting residents during COVID-19: Listen or Read*

*Planned Giving in a Pandemic*
Leadership:

*It’s a Wrap: Leadership Fellows Class of 2020 Celebrates Diversity, Foster Confidence*

*Connecting Social and Financial Equity, Helping Startups Build Inclusivity*

Radio Show: *Building Competency in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion*

Donor-advised Fund Spotlights: *Tom Hornbein* and *Halp*

Announcements & Opportunities:

Welcome to our new Accountant/HR Administrator, Kelsey Fleming! Learn more about Kelsey.

Requests for Proposals: *Community Trust 2, due August 18*

Questions about applying for Community Trust 2? Join us for a virtual Q & A on Tuesday, August 4, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

*Help us give grants to local nonprofits: volunteers are needed to review Community Trust Grants*

Community Foundation Boulder County is conducting all regular business remotely through, December 31, and is here to serve. You can reach everyone on staff by phone or email. We will be closed September 4, 7, and 8.

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See all our latest webinars here.

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Make a difference you can see

**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
News & Perspectives From The Field

- How to Tackle Race at Your Organization
- Report Projects 22K Nonprofits Will Fail Due to Coronavirus
- New Report Offers 4 Scenarios for How Covid and the Economy’s Fall Will Reshape the Nonprofit World
- 3 Foundation Leaders on How Philanthropy Can Support Inclusive Small Business Recovery
- Community Foundations Boast $1 Billion for Covid Response
- Should Clients Donate Now or Later?
- New Pledge Asks Donors to Step Up Giving Amid Pandemic

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