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## MEDIA RELEASE

### Community Foundation Boulder County appoints Trisha McKean as chief development officer

*The experienced university advancement leader will help foster connections with individuals and organizations, empowering the local community to navigate its most significant challenges*

BOULDER, Colo. — Community Foundation Boulder County today announced the hire of Trisha McKean as Chief Development Officer. In this role, McKean will develop strategies to deepen community relations and increase donations while encouraging collaboration for maximum benefit.

“We are thrilled to have someone with Trisha’s talents supplementing our incredible staff, board, donors and community partners,” said Tatiana Hernandez, CEO of Community Foundation Boulder County. “As a long-time local, Trisha understands our community’s most urgent needs, and is uniquely qualified to collaborate with community members to advance our mission.”

McKean brings a wealth of advancement and engagement expertise to the Community Foundation Boulder County team. In her previous position as Assistant Dean of Advancement at the University of Colorado Boulder Leeds School of Business, she oversaw record-breaking levels of fundraising and engagement, including completing high-visibility campaigns such as the Rustandy Building expansion. Prior to the Leeds School, McKean served on the development team for Georgetown University's McDonough School of Business, similarly focused on traveling the country engaging constituents to match their philanthropic passions with the school’s strategic priorities.

McKean holds an executive master's in leadership from Georgetown and a bachelor's in economics with an emphasis in management from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. She lives in Boulder with her family.

“With the recent crises in Boulder, I have been reflecting a lot on how I can leverage my talents to more directly impact the community,” said McKean. “I am committed to staying in Boulder to raise my family and support the amazing work happening on the ground in Boulder County. I am excited by the opportunity and challenges to deepen the relationships with Community Foundation Boulder County's partners in building a more equitable and vibrant Boulder County.”

At the Leeds School, McKean also started the college's first corporate relations program, launched the Leeds Ascending Scholarship Initiative, facilitated many cross-campus and systemwide donor gifts, and recruited a talented team of values-aligned advancement professionals.

“Trisha has made a tremendous impact on our advancement efforts over the last 17 years, and I am extremely grateful for her many contributions and service to the university,” said Philip P. DiStefano, Chancellor of the University of Colorado Boulder. “I am excited that, in her new role, Trisha will have the opportunity to build upon the strong relationship between the community and the university, and I look forward to continuing our positive work together.”

For more information about how Community Foundation Boulder County inspires ideas and action to improve the quality of life in Boulder County, visit [CommFound.org](http://CommFound.org).

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### **Community Foundation Boulder County**

Community Foundation Boulder County is a community catalyst, responding to immediate needs and anticipating future challenges. Through informed decision-making, we inspire ideas and action and mobilize diverse resources to improve the quality of life for everyone in Boulder County. As a collaborator and convener, we promote inclusivity and provide leadership on key issues, working with community-minded individuals and organizations that want to make a difference. Established in 1991, CFBC has assets totaling more than \$80 million. The foundation has granted more than \$100 million to nonprofit organizations since its inception.