

The Community Foundation Serving Greeley and Weld County promotes philanthropy to build resources, develops partnerships, and provides leadership that will be of lasting benefit to our communities.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

We're Connecting Donors Who Care With Causes That Matter

Weld County Literacy Fund



Established by dedicated community members, this fund will support literacy providers to help them implement new services (or maintain existing services) including, but not limited to,

classes, books and supplies, and assessment tools to adult learners and family literacy programs. It may also help the larger community become aware of literacy issues and take a step toward advocating for a strong, thriving and literate Weld County.

Windsor Harvest Festival Scholarship Fund



Established by the Windsor Harvest Festival Committee, this fund will provide scholarships for graduates of Windsor High

School. The first scholarships will be awarded in 2012 and will take into consideration the students' plans to incorporate service and volunteerism into their immediate future.

Lucile J. Gray Scholarship Fund



Established by Lucile Gray through a planned gift, this fund will provide scholarships for young women in Weld County with financial need to attend trade school or junior college. The first scholarship is scheduled to be awarded in 2013.

Dorothy E. Hood Endowment Fund

Philip Hood established this fund through a planned gift to honor his late wife, Dorothy. It will support Senior Resource Services or other programs that provide care for senior citizens.

If you are interested in making a contribution to any of our funds, please contact us at (970) 304-9970 or make a donation online at www.cfsgwc.org. All gifts are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law and will be used to support grants, scholarships and projects in Weld County.

The Community Foundation provides the flexibility to help people meet a broad range of needs through a variety of vehicles. We welcome the opportunity to work with you and your advisor to fulfill your charitable objectives and community interests.

Community Connections: Windsor Community Foundation

On a beautiful August evening, Board Members, staff and their spouses from the Community Foundation Serving Greeley and Weld County and the Windsor Community Foundation got together to enjoy good conversation and good food. The Windsor Community Foundation was created as an affiliate fund of the Community Foundation Serving Greeley and Weld County to serve the people of the greater Windsor community in order to connect philanthropic people with causes that matter.

Visit our Facebook page to view more photos from the gathering!



Left: Windsor Community Foundation Board Members Tom Prenger, Tom Fasano and his wife, Clarissa Fasano.

Right: Windsor Community Foundation Board Member Dan Austin and his wife, Deb with Charmaine Coppom, Community Foundation Board Chair (middle).



CommUnity: Board Leadership A Community Foundation Leadership Initiative



Governance is a key factor in nonprofit success. The Community Foundation has an interest in promoting that success. From conversations with key staff and current board members of Weld County nonprofits, one of the issues that continues to surface as a critical need is identifying and recruiting a qualified, inclusive pool of directors for nonprofit boards. Because of this, many organizations chronically lack the board capacity they need to support their mission.

As a leader and partner in the Weld County nonprofit community, we understand the challenges and needs of the agencies in our region and at the top of that list is having a strong, informed and committed board of directors. While most nonprofits budget for professional development for staff, little if any is set aside for board development. We are looking at this issue proactively, by creating a series of sessions that will offer board training to people who may not have served on boards before or are beginning their nonprofit board experience.



The Community Foundation is hoping to expand on the success of our **CommUnity** series that focused on increasing capacity for nonprofit organizations. We were awarded another grant from the Gay & Lesbian Fund for Colorado to host **CommUnity: Board Leadership**, an opportunity to provide additional board education in Weld County. This will continue the work that was started through our initial **CommUnity** series by offering sessions that will focus exclusively on board member training. Not only will this strengthen and expand their role as a board member initially, the board training they receive will benefit future agencies where they may also serve.

This series of workshops will begin later this fall. If you are interested in attending, please contact us at info@cfsgwc.org or (970) 304-9970.

Centennial Society: A Lasting Legacy

Earlier this summer, the Community Foundation hosted its annual Centennial Society event at the home of Stan and Cecily Cass. Nearly 50 guests enjoyed a beautiful summer evening while learning about how we can all make an impact in our communities.

The Centennial Society was created to recognize individuals who have shared the Community Foundation's dedication to our community. It is open to anyone who makes a planned gift provision to benefit the Community Foundation. The provision can be made in many different ways. These include:

- Making a bequest to the Community Foundation in a will or revocable trust
- Making the Community Foundation a beneficiary of an IRA or other retirement plan
- Making a life income gift agreement such as a charitable remainder trust, charitable lead trust or charitable gift annuity
- Making the Community Foundation the owner of a paid-up life insurance policy or the beneficiary of a life insurance policy

If you are in the process of making or revising your estate plan, please consider making a gift for your community's future through the Community Foundation. We hope you will let us know of your gift and the decision to include the Community Foundation in your estate plans.



Stan & Cecily Cass

Pete & Jean Morrell



Current members include:

<i>Anonymous (10)</i>	<i>Bill & Sharon Farr</i>	<i>Phylabe Houston</i>	<i>Norm & Marty Noe</i>
<i>Dan & Deb Austin</i>	<i>Mary Gillespie</i>	<i>Leoma Hunter</i>	<i>Edna Rady</i>
<i>Dick & Reva Bond</i>	<i>Tom & Nona Gordon</i>	<i>Mary & Hubert Littler</i>	<i>R. Lee & Rebecca Seward</i>
<i>Byron & Margaret Brown</i>	<i>Lucile J. Gray</i>	<i>Tom & Barb Macgillivray</i>	<i>Pam & Jim Shaddock</i>
<i>Col. & Mrs. Stanley Cass</i>	<i>Jerry Gress</i>	<i>Sandy Magnuson &</i>	<i>Howard & Beverley Skinner</i>
<i>Charles "Chuck" Childers</i>	<i>George & Betty Hall</i>	<i>Ken Norem</i>	<i>Howard Smith</i>
<i>Nelle & William Deason</i>	<i>Mildred Hansen</i>	<i>Helen C. McCandless</i>	<i>Pat Sprock</i>
	<i>Bill & Theresa Hertneky</i>	<i>Glenn McDonald</i>	<i>Scott & Pat Thomas</i>
	<i>Gladys Hopkins</i>	<i>Pete & Jean Morrell</i>	<i>Florence Winograd</i>



Year-End Giving Guide

Professional Advisors Corner
Presented by Banner Health—North Colorado Medical Center

With the end of the year in sight, it is not too early to start thinking about year-end gift planning. Reviewing your gift plan now will help ensure that your gifts reflect your values and philanthropic goals in making a meaningful difference in our community.

Listed below are just a few options you might want to consider for end of year gift planning:

Gifts of Cash

Cash gifts are the most convenient and direct way to give. Gifts made by check will be credited in the current year as long as they are postmarked or received by the charity by December 31.

Gifts of Appreciated Assets

Gifts of appreciated property often provide important tax advantages. Their full fair market value is deductible as a charitable contribution up to 30 percent of your adjusted gross income. The added benefit of giving appreciated securities is the avoidance of the capital gains tax on the appreciated portion of the gift. Gifts of closely-held stock enjoy the same tax benefits as with publicly traded stock.

Gifts of Life Insurance

Policies that are paid up may be deductible as gifts for their replacement value. Policies that still require premiums are deducted from annual income tax. The donor may qualify for income tax deductions when the organization receiving the policy is named as owner and beneficiary.

Gifts that Create Income

Many individuals find themselves in a position of holding appreciated assets that would make great gifts in the future but are needed now. By placing such property in a charitable remainder trust, a unique gift arrangement can be made that provides an immediate stream of income for the donor or named beneficiary. At the end of a specified period of time, often at the end of the donor or named beneficiaries lifetimes, the remainder of the trust assets are given to named charities such as the North Colorado Medical Center Foundation or the Community Foundation.

Charitable IRA Rollover

Congress has extended a law that allows individuals 70½ and older to directly transfer up to \$100,000 from an Individual

Retirement Account (IRA) to a qualified charity tax-free through December 31, 2011. If married, each spouse can transfer \$100,000 per year from his or her IRA.

Done properly and thoroughly, conducting annual reviews of your charitable giving at year's end can help to perpetuate your own values and maintain or enhance the quality of life for future generations and at the same time, make good use of the current income tax charitable deduction.



Donna Benson is the Director of Planned Giving and has been with the NCMC Foundation for more than 21 years. Since 1975, the NCMC Foundation has raised nearly \$40 million to support

and enhance the health of our community and its citizens by supporting lifesaving and life-changing programs both at North Colorado Medical Center and in the community.



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News Briefs



Have you ever wondered what goes on at the Community Foundation? Follow Hannah Seaton's 10 week journey as an intern for the Community Foundation. Visit www.cfsgwc.org/hannahs-highlights.

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Changing Communities

REGISTER NOW!

It's not too late to register for the 2011 Community Foundation Profiles Luncheon on October 11th from 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. at the University of Northern Colorado University Center Ballroom. C. Stephen Saunders will be the keynote speaker for the event. Tickets are \$30 for individuals and \$350 for a sponsored table of eight. For more information, contact Lauren Weber at Lauren@cfsgwc.org or call (970) 304-9970. **Registration deadline is October 1, 2011.**



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Grants in Action

The Community Foundation recently made grants totaling \$13,400.27 from the Littler Youth Fund's 107th distribution to area teachers who encourage and support experiential learning, enhance student understanding and increase student achievement. These grants were part of the Littler Youth Fund Teacher Mini-Grant program. The teachers and projects funded were:

- **Lisa Barton, Mountain View Elementary School** – Health of the Poudre River Science project
- **Kendra Jacoby, Skyview Elementary School** – Basic robotics materials to help students explore engineering
- **Megan Lyman & Carmen Walker, Quest Academy** – Art integration project
- **Diane Odbert, Knowledge Quest Academy** – Mechanical engineering “inventions” elective
- **Sarah Pentzer, Harold S. Winograd K-8 School** – Instruments for all sixth grade students to participate in band or orchestra
- **Tammy Randle, Tozer Primary School** – After-school activity for 2nd graders that focuses on math and science
- **Larea Warden, Harold S. Winograd K-8 School** – After-school program
- **Kara Whalen, Harold S. Winograd K-8 School** – Yearbook project



Quest Academy art integration project

The Arts Alive! Fund at the Community Foundation also funded projects totaling \$7,220 to the following programs:

- **The Greeley Chorale, Inc.** - 'Tis the Season: Holidays, Handel & High School concert.
- **Johnstown Java and Jams Coffeehouse** - Two “Latino Night” concerts featuring Hispanic bands.
- **Union Colony Children’s Music Academy** - Scholarships for students to participate in the band program.

Please visit our website at www.cfsgwc.org for upcoming grant deadlines or for more information about our grant-making programs, contact us at (970) 304-9970 or Lauren@cfsgwc.org.

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