

About The Liberty Community Fund of Colorado

The Liberty Community Fund of Colorado is a permanent, community-advised Field of Interest Fund at Community First Foundation.

Purpose

To create an environment where LGBT individuals and their families enjoy the same full freedoms, the equal opportunities and the same quality of life as their straight friends and neighbors.

Actions and Activities

- Mobilize and increase resources for organizations and community-based initiatives that serve the LGBT community.
- Inspire a culture of generosity.
- Engage LGBT individuals, straight allies and local businesses in support of the LGBT community.
- Address current needs through grant-making.
- Take a long-term view by building an endowment that provides legacy opportunities for donors and sustained support for the LGBT community.

Geographic Focus

Although the Fund will ultimately touch communities throughout Colorado, the first five years will focus on the Denver metropolitan area.

Grantmaking and Endowment

The long-term goal is to build an endowment for The Liberty Community Fund of Colorado. This will secure the Fund's future and ensure its ability to make continued contributions to the LGBT community in Colorado. Therefore, 50 percent of each donation is directed to the Fund's grantmaking fund and 50 percent of each donation is directed to a permanent endowment.

About Community First Foundation

Since 1975, Community First Foundation has been helping generous donors and innovative nonprofits come together to improve the quality of life and create positive change in Jefferson County, the Denver metropolitan area and beyond. We serve as a connector, partner, collaborator and resource to fuel the power of community for the greater good. We are proud to use our energy, leadership and trusted stewardship of financial resources to energize giving across our state, strengthen nonprofits, support donors and find new ways to address community needs. For more information, visit CommunityFirstFoundation.org.

LIBERTY

The state of being free within society from oppressive restrictions imposed by authority on one's way of life, behavior or political views.

Fund Advisory Board

The Liberty Community Fund of Colorado is governed by a Fund Advisory Board (the FAB). The FAB's role is to

- a) identify and cultivate donors to the Fund and support the Fund with time, talent and treasure;
- b) help Community First Foundation (CFF) identify and evaluate grant-making opportunities for the Fund; and
- c) advise the CFF Board of Directors on grants to be made from the fund.

Founding Donors

Founding Donors gave \$1,000 or more before December 31, 2013. Founding Business Donors gave \$5,000 or more before December 31, 2013.

- Elizabeth Bryant
- Margaret Burd & Rebecca Brinkman
- Amy Drayer & Erin Atwell
- Barbara Frank and Veronica McCaffrey
- Christopher Genry
- Nancy Kearney
- D. Lance King
- Rick Kramer
- The Larned A. Waterman and Paul S. Mesard Family Charitable Lead Trust Fund of The Denver Foundation
- Christopher K. M. Leach
- Christopher Massey & James Davis
- John McGowan and Dave Robbins
- Neil D. O'Toole
- Christopher J. Ott, M.D. and Jeremy Simons
- Katherine Peck
- Kathy L. Seidel
- Ted Trimpa
- David H. Wagner, Ph.D.
- Marla J. Williams
- Martin Yussman, M.D.

MISSION

To enhance the quality of life for all by creating an environment where LGBT individuals and their families enjoy the full freedoms, the equal opportunities, and the same quality of life as their friends and neighbors.



Governor's Letter of Support

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John W. Hickenlooper
Governor

November 20, 2013

Dear Liberty Fund of Colorado
c/o Community First Foundation
6870 W. 52nd Avenue, Suite 103
Arvada, CO 80002

Dear Friends,

Colorado is a place in which people from all walks of life can share the same freedoms, opportunities, and quality of life as their friends and neighbors; no matter their creed, race, ethnicity, gender, or sexuality. We are grateful to have the Liberty Fund of Colorado and the Community First Foundation as allies in our mission to ensure that every person and every community experience the full extent of their civil and constitutional rights; not only Coloradans, but as Americans living in our state and country.

We sincerely appreciate all of the guests attending tonight's reception and for taking the time to not only learn more about the Liberty Fund of Colorado, but to join us in giving our support to the LGBTQ communities residing here in Colorado. We would also like to extend our gratitude to the Fund's Steering Community and the Community First Foundation for bringing this important program in to existence. We are always looking for new avenues of support we can offer to communities from all backgrounds to ensure that they are thoroughly represented by their state and public officials.

It is my sincere regret that I can not be there with you this evening. I wish you all success and give my thanks for taking the steps to empower our communities and state.

Sincerely,

John W. Hickenlooper