



THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
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Community Foundation Elects 2009 Officers and New Board Members

The Community Foundation of South Puget Sound recently announced its 2009 officers. Leading the 18-member board of directors are: Board Chair **Marsha Tadano Long**, state agency director, retired; Vice Chair **Jacki Gavin**, community volunteer; Treasurer **Gordon Shewfelt**, Security State Bank; and Secretary **Mary M. Thompson**, Thompson Consulting.

Thompson and Shewfelt are new to the board this year. Other newly board members are: **Stefani Parsons**, community volunteer; **Lori Drummond**, Olympia Federal Savings; **Robert Buhl**, Bob Buhl Insurance Services, Inc.; **Rodney Youckton**, Lucky Eagle Casino and **Tracey Lowrey**, Chehalis West Assisted Living, Chehalis.

The board oversees The Foundation's grantmaking program and manages the almost \$4 million in assets for this public nonprofit serving Thurston, Lewis and Mason counties.

Continuing board members are: **Dennis Adams**, Virgil Adams Real Estate; **John Clees**, RSM McGladrey; **Blase Gorney**, Blase Gorney Design, Ltd.; **Dan O'Neill**, Great Western Supply; **Rick Panowicz**, retired businessman; **Larry Poplack**, Cooper Point Advisors LLC; **Thomas L. Purce, Ed.D.**, The Evergreen State College; **Don Rogers, M.D.**, retired physician; **Greg Stormans**, Stormans, Inc.; and **Bret Wilhelm**, Wilhelm Financial Services PLLC.

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“Our Community Foundation’s expertise is in facilitating a wide range of charitable giving,” said Tadano Long. She added, “Through The Foundation anyone can be a philanthropist and support crucial community causes: children, health, the environment, conservation, animals, education and the arts.” The Foundation stewards the assets within 80 separate charitable funds, each established by generous individuals, families, corporations and non-profit agencies. Proceeds from the funds generate grants and scholarships annually and in perpetuity.

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About the Community Foundation of South Puget Sound

Founded in 1989, The Foundation is dedicated to helping individuals, families and businesses realize their philanthropic goals. The Foundation currently stewards close to \$4 million in assets within 80 separate charitable funds. The Foundation guides donors setting up endowments, scholarships, and other funds to help communities within Thurston, Mason and Lewis counties meet challenges over changing times. Donors trust The Foundation to monitor current and emerging regional needs and to identify organizations capable of meeting these needs. The Foundation invests donors’ charitable gifts with local agencies providing important services in order to strengthen the community—both now and in the future. For further information please visit www.thecommunityfoundation.com or call us at 360.705.3340.