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Community Foundation Offers Scholarships to Nonprofit Conference

Slated for October 10 & 11 in Ocean Shores

Olympia, WA ---Citing the need for small nonprofits to hone their skills during challenging economic times, The Community Foundation of South Puget Sound will award scholarships to a regional conference for nonprofit leaders, board members, professional staff and volunteers from Thurston, Mason and Lewis counties.

The Nonprofit Leaders Conference for Coastal & SW Washington will be held October 10 and 11 in Ocean Shores and provide professional training in nonprofit development, board development, grant writing and best practices. Conference participants will have opportunities to meet Northwest grant makers. Conference details are available at www.nonprofitleaders.info

The Community Foundation scholarships require two leaders from each nonprofit to attend, and will cover registration fees and prepay hotel rooms, as our budget allows. A preference will be given to nonprofits with one staff and one board member attending. To be eligible, the nonprofit should submit a short written request to The Foundation naming its two attendees, stating the size of its annual budget and identifying the top two issues currently faced by their organization. Nonprofits headquartered in Thurston, Lewis

and Mason counties with annual budgets of less than \$500,000 are eligible to apply. Requests must be received by Friday, September 23rd to be eligible. Please call or email Anne Kirske, 360-705-3340 or akirske@thecommunityfoundation.com with questions.

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About the Community Foundation of South Puget Sound

Founded in 1989, The Foundation is dedicated to moving philanthropy forward by helping individuals, families and businesses realize their philanthropic goals. The Foundation currently stewards over \$12 million in assets within 75 separate funds. The Foundation guides donors setting up endowments, scholarships, and other funds. 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 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.

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