



## Thursday Thoughts

### The 2021 Economic Outlook for the U.S. and Colorado: A COVID Discussion

What lies ahead for the U.S. and Colorado economies in 2021? Based on the 56th annual Colorado Business Economic Outlook prepared by the CU Leeds School of Business, this forecast analyzes changes that have taken place in all economic sectors during the past year, and looks at the events and activities that will shape the changes in our population, employment, and overall economy for the coming year. In a year of incredible disruption how long will it take to heal the economy? What changes caused by the disruption are likely to last even after “normal” life returns.



Begin the New Year with a partner event presented by Colorado Planned Giving Roundtable and AFP Colorado Chapter, with **Dr. Richard L. Wobbekind**, University of Colorado’s leading economist, for an insightful presentation on where the nation’s economy is headed and what that might mean for Colorado, philanthropy and your organization.

**January 13th, 2021**

**11:30 am – 1:15 pm MT via Zoom**

\$10 for CPGR & AFP Members

\$20 for Non Members

[Register](#)

[Job Postings](#)

Check out the current job opportunities in fundraising.

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## Bridging a Culture Gap



**Meenakshi Das**, fundraising analytics consultant, offers smart ideas to bridge the culture gap between nonprofit staff and board members in a new essay: [5 Data-Driven Ways To Bridge the Culture Gap Between Staff and Board](#), published by [Community Centric Fundraising](#). Consider if using data informed strategies could help

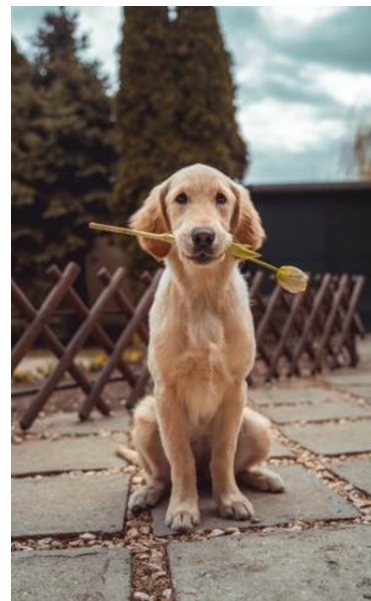
your organization build a strong, functional and symbiotic relationship between staff and board.

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## New Year's Resolution: Find Your Perfect (Mentor) Match

As 2021 approaches and you ponder your new year's resolutions and 2021 goals, consider your career and where you want to grow. Then consider if you have a mentor to help you get there.

A professional mentor from outside of your organization can help bring new perspectives, ideas and vision to your work and career. They can help you find resources to define or develop your skills and interests, and open up doors to new networks. AFP Colorado Chapter has a robust mentoring program where members are thoughtfully paired with mentors who are best suited to support your interests. Applications for the AFP CC Mentoring Program will be available in January, in the meantime if you are interesting learning more about the program or interested in serving as a mentor, please contact [info@afpcc.org](mailto:info@afpcc.org).



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**Thursday, January 14th**  
**8:00 am - 10:00 am**

## 2021 Coffee Chat Kickoff!

### Topic: TBD

Check back [here](#) for more information!

Anyone with fundraising duties in their job description is welcome to attend. Coffee Chats are free to everyone and there is no need to register



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## Member Spotlight

### **KUDOS! Celebrating the accomplishments of our members.**

Kudos to **Mike Dineen** on his promotion with Boy Scouts of America. Mike is the District Director and is responsible for growing the scouting program in the Aurora, Centennial and Cherry Hills Village area through budgeting, development, membership, program design and volunteer recruitment.



*If you have some great news to share, like a promotion, a new job, or an award received, email us at [AFPkudos@gmail.com](mailto:AFPkudos@gmail.com). Please note this is specifically to celebrate our Members, so no need to send the results of your latest campaign or event*

## Upcoming AFP Events

### **January 13th**

The 2021 Economic Outlook for the U.S. and Colorado: A COVID Discussion

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### **January 14th**

AFP Coffee Chat: Topic TBD  
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