



Thursday Thoughts

Animal Assistance Foundation sponsors RMPI Scholarships

The Animal Assistance

Foundation is sponsoring the Rocky Mountain Philanthropy Institute for the second year in a row. Because of this generous support, we can announce and congratulate the following RMPI scholarship recipients working in animal welfare:



- ***Susan Crick***, Development & Communications Director, Southern Plains Land Trust
- ***Kendall Eckman***, Development Coordinator, Foothills Animal Shelter
- ***Tiffany Hayes***, Grants Manager, Humane Society of the Pikes Peak Region
- ***Julia Hebard***, Marketing & Events Specialist, Routt County Humane Society
- ***Tracy Koss***, Customer Care Manager, Denver Animal Protection

- **Elizabeth Morgan**, Donor Relations Specialist, Morris Animal Foundation
- **Sarah Waller Morrill**, Marketing and Development Contractor
- **Ryan Powell**, Database Manager, Morris Animal Foundation
- **Molly Rodgers**, Donor Relations Administrator, Animal Friends Alliance
- **Becky Shrefler**, Development & Licensing Coordinator, Foothills Animal Shelter
- **Dan Stencel**, VP of Development, Morris Animal Foundation
- **Julie Stransky**, Development Coordinator, Surface Creek Animal Shelter
- **Becki Taylor**, Development Director, Animal Assisted Therapy Programs of Colorado
- **Amber Vanleuken**, Executive Director, Ark-Valley Humane Society
- **Jodi Waters**, Director of Development, Teller County Regional Animal Shelter

Thank you, **Animal Assistance Foundation!**

The Moniker Foundation and **In The Know, LLC** have also sponsored scholarship recipients. We will announce them next week.

RMPI is just 2 weeks away!! If you have not already done so, please [register here](#).

Job Postings

Front Range Community College - [Director, Resource Development/Senior Grant Writer](#)

Providence Network - [Development Operations Specialist](#)

[See all job postings >>](#)

Concerns with Philanthropy's Trustworthiness



The [Chronicle of Philanthropy comments](#) on a loss of trust in nonprofit organizations. Among the take aways is this: "4 percentage points separate the share of those expressing a great deal of trust in philanthropy (30 percent) from those expressing little trust (26 percent). This

represents a 5 percentage-point increase from 2020 among those who say they distrust philanthropy...

"While the nonprofit field as a whole fared much better, with a 45 percentage-point gap between those with "high trust" and those with "low trust," the report's overarching conclusion was that trust, especially in philanthropy, declined in the past year. This was especially true for the youngest group surveyed — Gen Z. Their trust in nonprofits was already the lowest among age groups surveyed but fell even further, from 61 percent to 45 percent."

Member Spotlight

AFP Colorado Chapter 2021 Survey: We Want To Hear From You!

AFP Colorado Chapter is seeking your valuable input! We invite you to complete a comprehensive survey about our chapter programming, IDEA efforts, and the value we're providing to

you, our constituents. The results will help inform chapter leadership as we plan for the future. At the end of the survey, there's a chance to enter to win some great prizes, including Fluid Coffee Bar gift cards, education session registrations, and the grand prize of a free 2022 RMPI registration!

Click below to complete the survey and enter to win!



[AFP Chapter Survey](#)

**Thursday, September 9th
8:00 am - 10:00 am**

Open Conversation About Fundraising Best Practices



Join us for an organic conversation about fundraising best practices. Development professionals can share what is on their mind and get input from the group on current roadblocks or struggles.

This will be a hybrid event and you can join us in person:

Fluid Coffee Bar
501 East 19th Avenue
Denver, CO 80203

[Learn More](#)

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

Upcoming AFP Events

September 9th and 10th

Rocky Mountain Philanthropy Institute is here!

[Register](#)

September 22nd

Follow up to the August 23rd discussion of the AFP Book Club

[Learn More and Register](#)



Next **CFRE** application
deadline: **October 1**



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