

## Thursday Thoughts

# Donating \$45M gets you in the Philanthropy 50

The Chronicle of Philanthropy has published the list of the 50 biggest donors to charity in 2021. Topping the list are *Bill Gates and his ex-wife Melinda French Gates*, *Mike Bloomberg*, and *Bill Ackman and his wife Neri Oxman*. Number 50 is *Doris Kelley Christopher*, who founded Pampered Chef.



Who is not on the list? *Elon Musk*, the world's richest at \$277 billion, whose net worth rose \$121 billion in 2021. The NY Times rightfully condemns him in this editorial. The silver and bronze Scrooge awards go to *Larry Page* (plus \$47B) and *Larry Ellison* (plus \$29B).

## **Job Postings**

**Colorado Ballet - Institutional Giving Manager** 

**Hope House - Development Officer** 

See all job postings >>

# Pop Quiz - Who is the Richest Black American?



No, not Oprah, nor Kanye, nor Jordan, nor Jay-Z, nor Tyler Perry, but they are on the list. The richest black American is *Robert Smith*, the founder, chairman and CEO of Vista Equity Partners, an investment firm. His net worth is estimated at \$7 billion. Forbes has an article describing his philanthropy and his Colorado connection.

## **Black History Month**

February is Black History Month. We will share a Member Moment each February newsletter introducing black AFP members and the causes they are working on.

### **Member Moment**

Jazmin Brooks, Director of Development, University of Colorado Boulder College of Arts and Sciences | The Center for African and African American Studies



What does your organization do that you are excited about?

CU Boulder's newly established Center for African and African American Studies is a multipurpose space where scholars, students, artists, activists, and allies come together to study Africa, African Americans, and the African diaspora. I am honored to play a role in advancing CU Boulder's mission to serve the people of Colorado through its support of the research, achievements, and innovations of African and African Americans.

How can we learn more?

Check out this video.

## Thursday, February 10th 8:00 am - 10:00 am

## **Inclusifying the Nonprofit**

Presented by

Ryann Peyton of The Peyton Group





For more information on this program click here.

To learn more about Ryann, click here.

Due to unexpected circumstances, this event will be VIRTUAL only.

To learn more and to get conference call information click here.

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.

### **Member Spotlight**

KUDOS! Celebrating the accomplishments of our members.

Kudos to *Gerry Rasel* as she returns to the Colorado Nonprofit Association as the Director of Membership Services. Gerry is also a board member for the AFP Colorado Chapter. Congratulations Gerry!



If you have some great news to share, like a promotion, a new job, or an award received, email us at <a href="mailto:AFPkudos@gmail.com">AFPkudos@gmail.com</a>. 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**

#### March 4th

Effective Conflict Management to Surpass Your Fundraising Goals

#### Register

#### March 10th

AFP Coffee Chat: Topic and Information to follow

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