We hope you had a fantastic summer and enjoyed every minute with family and friends - we can’t wait to experience this fall season with you!

You Inspire Us

As we enter into another season of gratitude and giving, I am extremely thankful for all of you. You - our donors, partners and friends - are truly who make this community wonderful. And that was more apparent than ever as we weathered Irma and many offered assistance to those affected by the storms wreaking havoc this hurricane season. Your generous spirit humbles and inspires us.

While all of us come to philanthropy in different ways, we’ve also noticed a common thread: we believe charitable giving is most effective when it is collective, organized and thoughtful. Moving forward, we want to encourage and empower everyone to step into this important space and join the Community Foundation as we strive to make our Brevard - and our world - a better place. Please share your experience with others and ask your friends to explore with us the many different ways to become a philanthropist, now and forever.

Brevard is known for its 72 miles of gorgeous coastline, and our team has a bird’s-eye view of all that is great about this community, as well as its immediate needs. With the end of the year upon us and the season of gifting beginning, please let us know how we can assist you. Don’t hesitate to call us at 321-752-5505 or stop in the office at any time. We look forward to our continued work together.

Theresa Grimison
President & CEO

View photos from the welcome reception.
$66,000 for Medical Research at FIT

Kenneth Finken's legacy truly lives on in a search for cause or cure for pervasive diseases.

During his life, Kenneth established the Kenneth R. Finken and Dorothy Hallam Finken Endowment Fund to forever underscore his and his family's commitment to ending devastating diseases. On September 7th the Community Foundation presented a $66K check to two Florida Tech researchers to support ongoing studies of Alzheimer's and cancer as an outcome of the 2017 Medical Research Competitive Grant program. READ MORE.

Contact us to learn more about building your own legacy.

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Gifts of Appreciated Stock - Will You Seize the Moment?

Right now is a unique opportunity for giving. Why?

The stock market is posting gains and federal tax policies remain unchanged. This is the perfect time to consider making charitable gifts.

Policy makers in Washington D.C. are considering introducing changes to the federal tax code that may increase the after-tax cost of making a charitable gift. Specifically, some of the proposals could significantly affect the attractiveness of making gifts of marketable securities.

While no one knows what the new tax code will include, we do know that the tax code currently provides incentives for making charitable gifts of marketable securities.

When you make a gift of long-term appreciated securities to a public charity, including the Community Foundation, you can:

- Claim a deduction equal to the fair market value of the securities,
- Claim a deduction of up to 30 percent of your adjusted gross income for the year, and
- Avoid any capital gain income on the appreciated value of the securities.

READ MORE

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Brevard Relief Fund: Hurricane Irma Inspires Donor

An anonymous donor has established the Brevard Relief Fund at the Community Foundation. The fund provides us with the ability to respond immediately in the aftermath of any kind of disaster, as well as the flexibility to support proactive disaster planning and preparedness.

Please join us in building this important resource. Gifts to the Brevard Relief Fund may be made online or mailed to 1361 Bedford Dr, Suite 102, Melbourne, FL 32940.

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It's Scholarship Season!

Thanks to the generosity of our donors dedicated to investing in students’ futures, we have opened our 2017 College Scholarship process. The college application cycle closes on November 7.
Additionally, we have opened the Nancy Baur Dillen Art Teacher Scholarship. Up to five art educators employed by Brevard County Public Schools will be selected to receive scholarships for week-long workshops at the renowned Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts during the summer of 2018. - Learn more and APPLY.

We're excited to share a few of our updated marketing materials:

- About Us Overview Brochure
- Professional Advisor Handout
- Your Legacy: Agency Endowment Partners

We invite you for a conversation to explore ways to create your own legacy.

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