

FRONT PORCH
communities
FOUNDATION

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Dear Friends,

I am pleased to introduce you to Front Porch's new philanthropic organization, the Front Porch Communities Foundation, which brings together the Pacific Homes Foundation, FACT Foundation, and Sunny View Foundation.

My commitment to each of you, our generous residents and donors, is that Front Porch Communities Foundation (FPCF) will continue to support our traditional philanthropic opportunities, and develop new services and benefits that otherwise may not be available. Please be assured that your current contributions will continue to fund the programs just as you designated.

As we come together as one foundation, the Community Philanthropy Committees, comprised of residents, employees and volunteers, will continue to guide how individual community donations will be used. The FPCF Board of Directors will guide projects that are more global to the organization's mission.

As one foundation, FPCF will work to decrease administrative expenses, increase fundraising opportunities, and extend our culture of philanthropy throughout Front Porch's communities, programs, and relationships. Since it will be less costly for gifts to be administered by the new Foundation, we hope that Front Porch residents will make donations to their communities through the FPCF.

I would like to introduce you to Katharine Miller, the new Executive Director of the Front Porch Communities Foundation. The Foundation Executives that you know – Keith Church, Jill Hammer, and Bill Penrod – will be working together with Katharine, who has been the Executive Director of the Covia Foundation.

We will be scheduling a session with your community to share more about FPCF and to learn about your interests. I've enclosed some Frequently Asked Questions that will help introduce you to our new Foundation.

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In the meantime, if I may be a resource or answer your specific question, please feel free to be in touch. Katharine and her team are available as well to provide updates and answers.

As we move through this new year of hope, I am delighted at the opportunity to do good work with all of you and look forward to seeing you all soon. Until then, stay well!

My best personal regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Woodward". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being more prominent than the last name "Woodward".

John Woodward
Chief Executive Officer
Front Porch Communities and Services

Front Porch Communities Foundation FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q1: What are the benefits of merging the previously separate foundations?

A1: Bringing together three separate foundations – Pacific Homes Foundation, FACT Foundation and Sunny View Foundation – to form the Front Porch Communities Foundation (FPCF) will work to decrease administrative costs, increase fundraising opportunities, and extend the culture of philanthropy throughout Front Porch communities, programs and relationships.

Q2: Who will lead the combined Foundation?

A2: FPCF will have up to nine members of its board of directors, including community residents, previous board members and key partners who have a strong interest in the Front Porch mission. Existing executives – Keith Church, Jill Hammer and Bill Penrod – will work together with FPCF's new Executive Director, Katharine Miller, who has been Executive Director of the Covia Foundation for nine years.

Q3: Who will determine which projects receive funding?

A3: The Community Philanthropy Committees, comprised of residents, employees and volunteers, will continue to guide how individual community donations will be used. Projects deemed more global to the organization's mission will be guided by the FPCF's board of directors.

Q4: What role will residents have with the combined Foundation?

A4: Residents are at the heart of each community's strong spirit of giving. Their generosity and spirit of community provides opportunities, services and benefits that would not otherwise be available. As the primary donors of gifts, residents can choose which funds they wish to support and how they want to participate in Community Philanthropy Committees.

Q5: What happened to donations made prior to the affiliation?

A5: They remain the same. All past gifts will be held and/or used for their designated community and purpose.

Q6: How will this affect philanthropic assistance to residents?

A6: There are no changes to benefits. We anticipate that new universal procedures for qualification and re-qualification will be developed with input from Community Philanthropy Committees to ensure a process that works for each community.

Q7: Can donors designate how they would like their gifts to be used?

A7: Yes, donors can specify which community, fund and/or program their donations support or they can designate that their donation be used in the area of most need.

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Q8: Are donations to the Foundation tax-deductible?

A8: Yes, a donation is tax deductible to the full extent of the law because the Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) supporting charitable organization. For more specific information, please check with your financial advisor or Foundation staff.

Q9: How do gifts to the consolidated Foundation reach a specific community?

A9: Donors can give to a specific community fund, for example, the “Walnut Village Fund,” or the “Casa de Mañana Fund.” The gift can further be designated to support a particular fund or program. Donors also can designate their donation to the general FPCF fund to be used in the area of greatest need.

Q10: How can a resident join a Community Philanthropy Committee at a community?

A10: Community Philanthropy Committee members are nominated by the Executive Director of each residential retirement community and appointed by the FPCF board of directors.

Q11: When was FPCF created?

A11: FPCF was created on April 1, 2021 in conjunction with the Front Porch-Covia affiliation.

Q12: How will FPCF assure donors of the three previous foundations that their contributions to FPCF will align with the donor’s intent?

A12: Donor intent is the ethical standard of the philanthropy profession and is guided by state and federal law. The FPCF Board of Directors and staff stand by the commitment to ensure that all donated funds are designated and put to use as intended.

Q13: When will donors, particularly those with ongoing contributions, see the change?

A13: Contributions can be made to the FPCF immediately. Any gifts that are designated to one of the previous foundations will be deposited to the FPCF, as it is the legal successor organization to each of the three foundations that have joined together.

Q14: How do I donate to the Foundation?

A14: Please visit <https://frontporch.net/philanthropy/> to donate online or contact a Foundation executive at 800.233.3709 or by e-mail to foundations@frontporch.net.

Q15: Who can answer additional questions?

A15: Contact Front Porch Communities Foundation Executive Director Katharine Miller at kamiller@frontporch.net or 1-800-233-3709.