

Impact Update: July 2022

Annual Meeting Recap



Keeping Our Finger on the Pulse

After two years of being remote, it was a treat to gather in person for our 27th Annual Meeting to recap our 2021 accomplishments and provide an opportunity for community partners and friends to get to know our new President and CEO, Leonard M. Lee. The theme of the evening was ‘Keeping Our Finger On The Pulse’ because, as your trusted philanthropic partner, we stay connected to our hard-working nonprofits, so we understand the needs of our residents. And remain the trusted steward of the funds we manage, connecting donors and resources with community needs for the benefit of our region.

You can read more details about the meeting, [here](#).



How Can We - Be The Bee?



President & CEO Leonard M. Lee Reflects

Did you know it takes 100 bees to make just one teaspoon of honey? So why am I talking about honey? Many of you might not know that when I'm not running the Community Foundation, I can be found working in my bee apiary. We enjoyed incorporating this little-known fact into our recent Annual Meeting, which turned into a perfect moment to share my analogy about community.

For more of Lee's reflections, click [here](#).

Events



Tickets on Sale!

We are thrilled to be celebrating our 18th Annual Summer's Last Blast with all of you. Please join us on Friday, September 9th in South Dartmouth overlooking Buzzards Bay, for a lively evening of delectable food, cocktails, and dancing. We expect this to be a sold-out event so be sure to get your tickets early. You can purchase them [here](#).

Creative SouthCoast Blog



3rd EyE Youth Unlimited

Being the president of a small nonprofit made up entirely of volunteers can sometimes be daunting. Moving the organization forward, securing program funding, and ensuring day-to-day operations run smoothly rests on their shoulders. That's why Keri Cox found participating in the Building Blocks Cohort, a program of our [Creative SouthCoast Initiative](#), rewarding and critical for the continued success of her organization, [3rd EyE Unlimited](#). Read more about Keri and the organization in our latest Creative SouthCoast blog [here](#).

Grantee Profile: Marquis Taylor



Founder & CEO of Coaching4Change

When Marquis Taylor grew up in South Central LA, he struggled in school. However, he was a strong athlete, which provided him with access to resources and support. His coaches and mentors helped him build his confidence and stay out of trouble enabling him to enjoy a very successful academic life. Marquis recognized that he was very fortunate and that many other kids from his neighborhood were a drift through the system. Inspired to do something about this imbalance, in 2010, while in graduate school, Taylor started **Coaching4Change**.

Read on about Taylor, our [Leadership Equity Fund](#) grantee, [here](#).

In The News

STAFF

On June 29th, [YWCA Southeastern MA](#) hosted their recent graduates of the Board Leadership Program at Round the Bend Farm in Dartmouth. The program is funded, in part, by a grant from our Leadership Equity Fund and focuses on those who have never served on a board, especially young



BIPOC and LGBTQ+ individuals. Our very own Nhamaa Cortes (seated far right) participated. A new session will begin in September. Contact [Gail Fortes](#) for more information on how to enroll.

HIRING

PROGRAMS OFFICER

The SouthCoast Community Foundation is looking for a Programs Officer who is eager to be part of a team mobilizing an innovative approach to improving people's lives on the South Coast. This role is a unique and exciting opportunity for someone to join a dynamic, growing, and community-based nonprofit organization. You can apply [here](#).

