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Bonfils-Stanton Foundation Seeking Exceptional Nonprofit Leaders for 2023 Livingston Fellowship

DENVER, CO (**August 9, 2022**) – The greatest assets of nonprofit organizations? Its leaders. Denver's Bonfils-Stanton Foundation invests in nonprofit leaders through the Livingston Fellowship Program – which provides advanced learning opportunities to promising nonprofit leaders who hold significant leadership roles in Colorado's nonprofit sector. The Foundation is accepting applications for its 2023 Class of Livingston Fellows from August 9 – Sept. 16, 2022.

"It is our hope that by identifying and supporting transformational leaders, we will strengthen their capacity to influence and shape the future of the nonprofit sector in Colorado" says Chrissy Deal, Director of the Livingston Fellowship Program.

The Livingston Fellowship is a \$35,000 award for senior-level leaders that recognizes past contributions to the field and enhances their leadership through formal and informal professional advancement activities. A core aspect of the program is that each fellowship plan is unique – developed by the Fellow. The Foundation's role is to gently guide, suggest and encourage reflection and creativity in what incoming Fellows think is possible through the program.

Livingston Fellow candidate criteria:

- Recognized leadership ability and demonstrated impact;
- Possess areas for professional leadership development or capacity building that would benefit from the opportunities afforded by the Fellowship;
- Have a track record of advancing equity and addressing structural racism within nonprofit organizations;
- Exhibit a readiness to learn, and a sincere interest in professional and personal leadership development; and
- Promise for significant and unique leadership contributions to the nonprofit sector.

Candidate eligibility:

- Leaders of Colorado, Denver Metro area-based** 501(c)(3) arts, culture, humanities, youth development, human/social services, health, environment, and science organizations comprise the pool of potential candidates. *Employees of governmental agencies, community or private foundations are not eligible.*
- Individuals must currently be serving full-time in a senior-level, paid position with significant responsibilities for the programmatic and/or operational activities of the organization.
- In alignment with Bonfils-Stanton Foundation's equity and anti-racist values, and in recognition of the historic underinvestment in Black, Indigenous, people of color and other individuals from underrepresented communities, we enthusiastically encourage the involvement of such leaders as both nominators and candidates.



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• Candidates cannot be an employee of the Bonfils-Stanton Foundation, a Trustee of the Foundation, or a relative or partner of any employee or Trustee of the Foundation.

(**Denver Metro area includes: Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, and Jefferson counties.)

Some alumni Livingston Fellows include The Center for African American Health's Deidre Johnson; Su Teatro's Tony Garcia; Street Fraternity's Yoal Kidane Ghebremeskel; Youth on Record's Jami Duffy; and many more. Learn more about the program here: http://bit.ly/2vUMbtb

Bonfils-Stanton Foundation is now accepting nominations for the 2023 Class of Livingston Fellows. To apply and get additional information on eligibility and candidate requirements, visit: https://tinyurl.com/LFellows2023

FOR THE MEDIA: Chrissy Deal with Bonfils-Stanton Foundation is available to give interviews and discuss the Livingston Fellowship Program and nomination process in further detail. We're also happy to get a current or alumni Fellow to talk about the program as well. Contact Erica Boniface at Erica@ColoradoMediaNetwork.com or call 303-717-8246

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