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## 2010 Mid Year Report to Founding Investors

*2010 has proven to be a busy and exciting year for Jefferson County Community Foundation. Thanks to your investment and support, JCCF continues to make significant strides towards improving the quality of life for Jefferson County residents. We are inspired by individuals and businesses who seek and take advantage of opportunities to invest in the community, and we think you will be too. It is truly a work of heart.*

**Jefferson County Nonprofit Alliance (JCNA)**, the educational arm of JCCF, provided 12 networking sessions and seminars this winter/spring to local nonprofits. Through the generous support of the Medina Foundation, we are able to provide an educational forum for nonprofit Executive Directors, Volunteer Coordinators, Development Directors, and Board Chairs. A survey of nonprofit organizations participating in JCNA seminars was conducted in January, 2010. Results indicate the biggest changes are occurring in the area of board development - boards are becoming more knowledgeable, more effective and able to sustain and promote their organization's mission. In March JCNA held a seminar on planned giving attended by several local financial advisors and a host of nonprofit leaders. Upcoming educational opportunities include: Grant Writing with Kris Mayer on September 30/October 14 and Board Development with Laurie Wolf on October 2. We invite our Founding Investors to participate in any of our networking or educational sessions. Come see first hand how our nonprofit organizations are benefiting from the community foundation's commitment to capacity building.

**In addition to a clean and expedient 2010 financial review by Clark Number & Associates**, JCCF is completing compliance requirements for The Council on Foundations Community Foundations National Standards. JCCF's commitment to this process is time consuming and rigorous, and we are grateful to the Satterberg Foundation for funding our application. The application demonstrates JCCF's ongoing commitment to transparency, good governance, and community capacity building.

**Fund for Women & Girls** kickoff event was attended by nearly 100 women who contributed over \$32,000. Since the Fund for Women & Girls is an endowment, it will be here for generations to come, laying a secure foundation for the future. JCCF board member Debbi Steele is chairing an advisory committee of 13 women and 24 volunteers who are dedicated to seeing this fund assist the women and girls in Jefferson County to realize their full potential. Be on the watch for future events, including the Wearable Art Show in February 2011.

**JCCF Scholarship Committee** has been working hard to finalize policies and procedures in preparation for the first JCCF scholarships to be awarded in 2011. Chairperson Tim Caldwell is joined by Cindy Finnie, Stan Cummings

and Lee Springate. Watch for upcoming announcements of the Jefferson County Technical Trades and the Barbara Marseille Arts Scholarship. JCCF promotes the use of [www.WASHboard.org](http://www.WASHboard.org) to make scholarship seeking easy for students and donors alike.

**Grantmaker's Forum** awards grants to Centrum Young Artists Project and Jefferson Community School. JCCF was pleased to award \$2000 grants to these deserving nonprofit organizations during the annual Grantmaker's Forum. 30 nonprofit organizations were represented at this year's forum which was focused on capacity building. Designed as a learning experience for nonprofits, the forum includes a two hour workshop in addition to live grant reviews by a panel of experts. **Jefferson Community School** will use the grant award to develop a strategic fundraising plan for a student scholarship fund, staff development and retention plan, and a building reserve fund. **Centrum's Young Artists Project** will use the grant award to evaluate and measure program outcomes, guide efforts to increase the value of the experiences for student and teacher participants, and improve the program's financial sustainability. JCCF is proud to support these two outstanding nonprofit programs which are positively impacting the youth of our community!

**Foundation Center database** is now available to the North Olympic Peninsula through a collaboration between the Port Townsend Public Library, the PTPL Foundation and Friends, and JCCF. The Community Foundation will provide grant writing training to complement the many webinars available to learn how to utilize the Foundation Center database to search for grant funding. We are very excited about this partnership and look forward to our local nonprofit community having greater access to local, regional and national funding sources.

**Welcome new Founding Investors: Jesse & Dawn Mohrbacher, Doug & Nancy Van Allen, Bill & Sue Conklin and Sam & Jane Kopriva!** It is your generosity, support, and vision that is the backbone of Jefferson County Community Foundation. JCCF Board of Directors would like to thank all Founding Investors, always welcoming your input, ideas, and involvement. This is, after all, our collective Community Foundation!

**Port Townsend Art Commission** has opened two funds at the Community Foundation. The designated fund is intended to support public art projects initiated by PTAC in collaboration with others supported by public/private investment. The scholarship fund purposes are under consideration at this time.

**JCCF Tribute Gifts** are now available. If you want to honor a loved one by supporting a program or fund at the Community Foundation, utilize the Tribute Form which can be printed by clicking [here](#). Fill it out and send it to PO Box 1955 Port Townsend, WA. It is a quick and easy way to honor someone you care about and help the community at the same time!

*and finally.....*

**JCCF opens an E-Trade Account** to make it easy for donors to make gifts of publicly traded securities to the community endowment or any fund held by JCCF. We provide a simple, powerful and highly personal approach to giving with a variety of tools to help you achieve your charitable goals.

**Consider making a further contribution** to JCCF to support its mission of increasing philanthropy in Jefferson County. You can give to support operations, build the community endowment, open a donor advised fund or support one of the many funds held for our local nonprofits. Find the complete list of funds, [click here](#).

**We appreciate and value your investment in our community....today and tomorrow!**

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