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Community Foundation Offers Workshop on Board Development

Port Townsend, Washington - December 18, 2008 – Cultivating board of director leadership is one of the most important and relevant issues facing non profit organizations. Not only does a strong board strengthen an organization, but also can be imperative in assuring long term success in this challenging economic environment. Jefferson County Community Foundation (JCCF) is sponsoring a workshop for local non-profit organizations, providing a unique opportunity for board members to have a more dynamic role in the success of their non profit organization.

Laurie Wolf, Vice President of The Foraker Group in Anchorage, Alaska, will present the workshop on Saturday, January 10. Laurie has worked in the nonprofit sector for 18 years. In her current position, Laurie co-creates and provides both community-wide and one-on-one training for boards and staff in the areas of board service, strategic planning, collaboration and resource development. In the past four years, Laurie has worked with more than 5,000 board and staff members of Alaska nonprofits. In 2005, Laurie was named one of Alaska's Top 40 Under 40 by the Anchorage Chamber of Commerce and was named Outstanding Professional in Philanthropy in 2006 by the Alaska Association of Fundraising Professionals.

“This workshop promises to be a fantastic opportunity for citizens who serve, or aspire to serve on non profit boards to understand the impact they can have in an organization,” states Anne Schneider, incoming President of JCCF. “Laurie Wolf has extensive experience in the area of board development and we are thrilled that she has agreed to lead this workshop.” The workshop is limited to 25 participants and advance registration is required.

Jefferson County Community Foundation was organized in 2006 as a vehicle for promoting and increasing responsible and effective ways of investing in our community. Created by and for the people of Jefferson County, JCCF's goal is to provide leadership, education, and support to strengthen local non-profit organizations, and provide tax efficient investment opportunities for our citizens. Please go to www.jccfgives.org or call Kris Mayer 379-3667 for registration information.

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