2018 Grant Awards Reception Presentation David Reich 10/17/18

I'm honored to be presenting the grant awards tonight. I always find this event to be so rewarding - to meet all of you and be able to hear from a number of our grant recipients and learn more about how this Foundation impacts so many lives. It is truly gratifying to partner with so many caring and capable individuals who work so hard to provide support and services to meet the needs in our community.

It seems that the needs of the community never diminish. This year we received more grant requests, seeking more funding than ever before. Thankfully, the founders of the Community Foundation had the foresight to create an endowment fund, which continues to grow. Through our renewed efforts, we've also been able to raise more money than ever before. This has allowed us to give out more money, \$200,000, to more organizations than ever before. We know that there are still more needs in the community and we are working hard to meet those needs.

Let's get started with the fun part....

In closing, I'd like to thank Sunset Foods and the rest of our generous sponsors. I'd also like to thank all of you for the hard work you are doing to make our community a better more inclusive place to live.