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COMMUNITY FOOD SHARE RECEIVES \$4,000 GRANT FROM ANSCHUTZ AND TEMPLE HOYNE BUELL "CRITICAL NEEDS" FUND

Community Food Share recently received a \$4,000 one-time grant from the Anschutz Foundation and Temple Hoyne Buell Foundation through a special "Critical Needs" fund managed through the Denver Foundation. The purpose of the one-time award is to provide short-term support to organizations that have been impacted by rising levels of demand for food. The grant is for the sole purpose of acquiring nutritious food for Direct Service programs. Priority was given to those programs that support families, children, and senior citizens. Community Food Share will use the funds for Feeding Families, a Direct Service program that distributes food to families with children in the School Free Lunch program in the Boulder Valley and St. Vrain Valley school districts. Feeding Families distribution occurs on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, from 8:30-1:30, out of the Community Food Share warehouse in Niwot.

"This generous grant will make a significant impact on our ability to keep up with the increased need for food in our community, and will focus on our most vulnerable residents, low-income families with children." according to Jim Baldwin, CEO of Community Food Share. ***He added, "As of the end of June, we have distributed 24% more food than the same period in 2008, representing 614,000 more meals (1 meal = 1 pound). In fact, in the first half of this year we have distributed as much food as we did in all of 2006."***

About Community Food Share

Community Food Share exists to ensure that no one in Boulder and Broomfield counties goes hungry. Serving the area for 28 years, Community Food Share distributes food to those in need through a network of 57 Member Agencies including food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, residential treatment centers, and emergency food box programs, and through several of its own Direct Service programs targeting specific at-risk populations. All food is distributed free of charge. In 2008, Community Food Share distributed over 5.3 million meals (1 meal = 1 pound), 800,000 more meals than in 2007, and is projecting a record 6 million meal distribution in 2009. For more information, please visit: www.communityfoodshare.org.

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