



Healthy
Lakewood Foundation

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Healthy Lakewood Foundation Community Meeting – Video Recording Available on YouTube

The Healthy Lakewood Foundation (HLF) held its third annual community meeting virtually on September 22. The HLF Board of Directors appreciates that so many community members joined the meeting to learn about the foundation’s work over the past year.

“We are grateful for the robust attendance and interest in our grantmaking, planning, and engagement efforts,” said Kate Ingersoll, HLF’s Executive Director. “One goal of the meeting was to highlight not just our endeavors but to provide insight into how community organizations have responded during the COVID-19 pandemic.”

During the meeting, short videos featuring four of HLF’s grantee partners portrayed their resourceful and adaptive responses to community needs during the pandemic.

Also shared at the meeting was the announcement that HLF will continue providing responsive funding for Covid-19 related needs for the remainder of 2021. Furthermore, HLF will launch its comprehensive grantmaking strategy in 2022 and will provide clear communications about the grant funding timeline early in the new year.

HLF also reported leadership changes. Khalilah Worley Billy and Becca Baas have been elected as Interim President and Secretary respectively. Kate Ingersoll explained that “Both Khaliah and Becca are tireless advocates for children and families in our communities. Their leadership styles foster diverse perspectives and ideas in discussions and decision making.” Khalilah is Senior Organizer at Greater Cleveland Congregations and Becca is Supervisor of University Hospitals Rainbow Center for Child Health and Policy.

HLF will continue to provide updates on its grantmaking and outreach during the remainder of the year. Both a recording of the meeting and the four grantee video conversations are available [on the Healthy Lakewood Foundation's public YouTube channel](#).

About the Healthy Lakewood Foundation: The Healthy Lakewood Foundation (HLF) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit foundation. HLF was created to ensure remaining assets from the conversion of the Lakewood Hospital will continue to benefit the health and wellness of residents in the City of Lakewood. HLF was established in September 2018 as part of the master agreement following the closing of Lakewood Hospital. HLF was formed from the Foundation Planning Task Force and through their recommendation to the City of Lakewood and the Lakewood Hospital Association.

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