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\$120,000 Pool of Long Beach Civic Innovation Grants Open Through Monday

LONG BEACH, CALIF. – The Long Beach Community Foundation (LBCF) is currently accepting applications for grants available through the Knight Foundation Donor Advised Fund. These grants, encouraging civic innovation, range between \$10,000 and \$50,000 and are available to Long Beach nonprofits or nonprofits with Long Beach-based initiatives. The deadline for submissions is Monday, September 28, 2015 at 5 pm.

The John S. and James L. Knight Foundation invests in innovators who help cities attract and retain talented people, expand economic opportunity, and create a culture of engagement. Knight believes that cities, such as Long Beach, have greater economic success when the population has a large percentage of college-educated residents. Cities that create places where individuals of diverse backgrounds and economic status can converge and share ideas promote opportunity for the community. A city whose residents share responsibility for shaping the future of their city through civic engagement is one that will succeed.

“The Knight Foundation is invested in the success of Long Beach,” said Marcelle Epley, LBCF President and CEO. “These grants demonstrate a tremendous opportunity for local nonprofits to help shape the future and economic success of our great community.”

Nonprofit organizations who feel that their programs and projects can address these beliefs are encouraged to apply for the Knight Donor Advised Grants. Please visit the Long Beach Community Foundation web site (www.longbeachcf.org) for an application and additional grant requirements.

About Long Beach Community Foundation:

The Long Beach Community Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, public organization with over \$25 million in assets and more than 100 charitable funds. LBCF’s mission is to initiate positive change for Long Beach through charitable giving, stewardship, and strategic grantmaking with a vision of being the preeminent steward of endowments serving the needs of Long Beach in perpetuity. LBCF operations are led by President & CEO Marcelle Epley and oversight is provided by Board Chair Jane Netherton, Vice Chair Blake Christian, and members Bill Barnes, Gary DeLong, Michele Dobson, Bob Foster, Donita Joseph, Annette Kashiwabara, Walter Larkins, Donna Reckseen, Judy Ross, Robert Stemler, and Judy Vander Lans.

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