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## **Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation announces 2015-16 board of directors**

DENVER—The [Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation](#) today announced the appointment of five new members and a new slate of officers to the organization's board of directors.

The following community leaders will join the other [35 directors](#) in service to the board in September 2015:

- **Jennifer Chang**, Regional Manager, Scientific Civilian Region, Cisco Systems
- **Josh Craver**, Vice President of Global Talent Management, Western Union
- **Norm Franke**, Regional President, Alpine Bank
- **Anthony E. Graves**, Director of Regional Affairs, City and County of Denver
- **Shannon Jones**, Executive Vice President, FirstBank

The board of directors also approved the following officers to begin their term in September 2015:

- **Chair: Katie Kramer**, Vice President and Assistant Executive Director, Boettcher Foundation
- **Chair-Elect: Darren Markley**, Senior Vice President and Managing Director, U.S. Bank, The Private Client Reserve
- **Past Chair: Travis Webb**, Managing Partner-Colorado, BKD, LLP
- **Secretary: Kirk Scheitler**, Area Manager, Community and Local Government Affairs, Xcel Energy
- **Treasurer: Tara Dunn**, Senior Counsel, Perkins Coie
- **Vice Chair of Finance: Mike Fordyce**, President and CEO, Craig Hospital

Additionally, the Leadership Foundation board of directors approved the following members to serve a second term:

- **Tara Dunn**, Senior Counsel, Perkins Coie
- **Steven Foster**, COO, Global Technology Resources Inc. (GTRI)
- **Chris Hansen**, Senior Advisor, Janys Analytics
- **Bill Myers**, Vice President of Communications and Corporate Social Responsibility, DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc.
- **Michael Niyompong**, COO, Clayton Early Learning
- **Jim Pinto**, Partner, Dinsmore and Shohl, LLP
- **Holly Shilliday**, Managing Attorney, McCarthy and Holthus, LLC

"Leaders in our region are smart, collaborative and partner across sectors and industries to get things done," said Travis Webb, current chair of the Leadership Foundation board of directors, and managing partner for Colorado at BKD, LLP. "The community leaders joining our board are a great representation of that spirit that has come to define the Denver metro area."



After many years of service to the board of directors, the following members will be ending their term in September 2015:

- **Bob Deibel**, President and Owner, OfficeScapes
- **GG Johnston**, Principal, Be Intentional, LLC
- **Dr. Stephen Jordan**, President, Metropolitan State University of Denver
- **Tammy Keffeler**, Shareholder, FirstBank Holding Company
- **Cindy Parsons**, Vice President of Public Relations, Comcast
- **Kristin Todd**, Senior Vice President, Daniels Fund

“Their dedication and vision has left a lasting imprint on this organization,” said Webb. “We are deeply grateful for their service.”

*Note to editors: Bios and headshots available upon request.*

***About the Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation***

An affiliate organization of the [Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce](#), the Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation provides content, context and access to inspire leaders to engage in issues critical to the region’s success. The Leadership Foundation encourages community and civic trusteeship through a continuum of leadership programs including Leadership Denver, Access Denver, the Leadership Exchange, Impact Denver, Colorado Experience, the Leadership Alumni Network and the Colorado Leadership Alliance. For more information, visit [denverleadership.org](http://denverleadership.org).

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