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## **CATHOLIC COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES THE APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS & EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

**Phoenix, AZ – October 3, 2011** – The Catholic Community Foundation announces new Board members Donna Esposito, Senior Director, Southwest Practice of RSM McGladrey; Kathleen Harris, Chief Financial Officer, Gallagher & Kennedy, PA Law Offices; Mike Marrie, Executive Director, Snell & Wilmer; and Sister Mary Norbert Long, Principal, St. Mary-Basha Catholic School, Chandler.

The Foundation also announced its expanded 2011-2012 Executive Officer positions:

Maria Chavira, Ph.D., Chairman

Guy Labelle, Secretary

Keith Maio, Assistant Secretary

Christian J. Hoffmann, III, Ex-Officio

Candace Wiest, Vice Chairman

Kirk Tushaus, Treasurer

Rev. Michael Straley, Assistant Treasurer

Keith Tigue, Immediate Past Chairman

With over \$50 million in assets the Catholic Community Foundation of Phoenix ranks among the top ten Catholic Foundations in the Nation. The organization continues to attract prominent leaders to its Board of Directors and various special steering and sub-committees. These specialized committees provide support to the board for activities relating to the Foundation's investments, programs, grant-making, scholarships, special events, marketing and development.

### **ABOUT CATHOLIC COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

The Catholic Community Foundation is an independent 501(c)(3) that serves families and individuals in their charitable giving and fosters philanthropy in support of the mission of the Roman Catholic Church. The Foundation was created in 1983 with the charge to put a financial floor under Catholic schools and parishes. They are uniquely positioned to carry out this endowment building philosophy and are committed to securing a future in which our vital institutions have the ability to withstand adversity, continue operations, and fulfill their critical missions.

Today, the Foundation manages over 300 different funds which help secure future funding for everything from schools and parishes to organizations that feed the poor, aid retired priests, fund seminarian education, preserve historical Catholic landmarks, encourage youth leadership development, deliver television mass and radio rosary to shut-ins, provide diverse scholarship opportunities, clothe and house women and children, and assist families in taking the necessary steps to become self-sufficient. For more on the Catholic Community Foundation, visit [www.ccfphx.org](http://www.ccfphx.org).

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