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Elevations Foundation Celebrates 5 Years with \$1M in Community Support

Boulder, CO — Elevations Foundation on May 19th celebrated its 5th Birthday recapping nearly \$1M in community initiatives. Celebration of Community, held on the campus of the University of Colorado at Boulder, offered a look into the Foundation's successes including: \$222,000 in community grants focused on mental health, early childhood development and environmental education and sustainability. Additionally, Elevations Foundation has provided in excess of \$165,000 in scholarships for higher education during its first five years. Elevations' scholars are graduating high school seniors and award criteria is in part, needs-based. The evening's keynote was delivered by Commissioner Elise Jones. An overview of the Boulder Chambers Community Partnership Council was done by Boulder Chamber President and CEO, John Tayer. "Elevations Credit Union enjoys an active membership base. This allows the Foundation to support critical areas of need in the communities we serve," said Dennis Paul, Vice Chair of Elevations Foundation. "Commissioner Jones as well as Mr. Tayer have a pulse on the community and are critical resources in helping us to provide the support needed." Paul went on to say.

A key element of the Foundation's charge is to rally for communities in need. Elevations Foundation has provided over \$580,000 in emergency funds in the last five years for individuals and families displaced by wild fires and the 2013 floods. In addition, Elevations Foundation led a fundraising initiative in 2013 to support the Longmont Humane Society at a critical juncture in the Society's facilities commitments.

Elevations Foundation is an independent 501(c)3 non-profit organization that carries out the philanthropic pursuits of Elevations Credit Union. Led by Board Chair Carol Krismann, the

Foundation works directly with local school districts as well as both governmental and non-governmental agencies on identifying focus areas for support.

Elevations Credit Union, headquartered in Boulder, Colorado, was founded on the campus of the University of Colorado in 1952 and has evolved into a financial institution able to meet complex financial needs of consumers and businesses. Members enjoy free online banking and online bill pay and, 11 branches serving Boulder, Larimer, Adams and Broomfield Counties. Members have access to over 5,000 shared branching service centers, and 30,000 CO-OP ATMs nationwide. With a solutions-based business model Elevations is uniquely tailored to assist the consumer in making informed decisions. Elevations is the number one Mortgage Lender in Colorado. In addition, Elevations provides business banking services and commercial real estate loans. Because of our outstanding service quality and suite of competitively priced products, we have been voted “Best Financial Institution” 15 times. In November 2014 Elevations received the prestigious Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award. Elevations provides banking services to over 107,000 of your neighbors and friends and has over \$1.7 billion in assets. If you love where you live, it matters where you bank. Check us out at elevationscu.com.



2015 scholarship recipients

1st row (from left to right): Kimberly Valdez, Aleah Matthews, Cassidy Kindelspire, Madeleine Sargent, Maria Soto, and Alex Rodgers. 2nd row: Ethan Johan, Austin Garrett, Severin Lier, and Hunter Miller. (Not pictured: Emily Calzolari, Illan Rodriguez, Gavin Milburn, and Josh Kirby.)