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## New faces join the Community Foundation

**LANSING, MICH.** — The Community Foundation is delighted to welcome two new staff members: Marcy Gillespie Kinzer, Vice President of Donor Services, and LaToya Turner, Community Investment Associate.

“The extensive experience and talent that Marcy and LaToya bring to their new roles makes them valuable additions to the Community Foundation,” said Laurie Strauss Baumer, Foundation President & CEO. “Marcy serves as a resource for our donor-clients and professional advisors, and LaToya is a resource for mid-Michigan nonprofits and facilitating our Youth Advisory Council. Both of their roles are instrumental to building relationships and keeping our finger on the pulse of our community’s needs.”



Marcy Gillespie Kinzer  
Vice President of Donor Services



LaToya Turner  
Community Investment Associate

Kinzer served as the first Executive Director of the Playmakers Fitness Foundation for over ten years, helping to build the foundation from its infancy into a thriving sustainable organization. Prior to that, she served as a teacher, coach and administrator in the Mason and East Lansing School Districts for sixteen years. Marcy’s diverse leadership and service experiences will serve her well in her new role. Marcy earned her Bachelor’s degree in English Education and Master’s degree in Educational Administration from Michigan State University.

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Turner's passion for community brings her back to her hometown of Lansing and to the nonprofit sector. She has been a customer service professional for over 15 years and has coordinated and participated in numerous service projects in Detroit and Lansing. Turner received a Bachelor's in Marketing from Michigan State University.

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*The Community Foundation is passionate about creating vibrant, thriving communities throughout Michigan's capital region. The Foundation serves donors to meet their unique charitable goals, supports area nonprofits with grants and coaching, and leads innovative projects that drive community growth. The Community Foundation (also known as the Capital Region Community Foundation) is a tax-exempt public charity whose mission is to lead philanthropic solutions that build vibrant communities in Ingham, Clinton and Eaton counties.*

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