## Adams County Community Foundation Public Advocacy Policy

Adams County Community Foundation is a non-profit organization. As such, Adams County Community Foundation does not support or oppose candidates for public office or political parties and only acts on issues related to the organization's mission.

Adams County Community Foundation does not pursue public policy advocacy as part of its regular program activities. We recognize, however, that as a leader in our field, we are occasionally called upon by government officials, members of the media, and others to offer positions on policy issues affecting our community or to share knowledge and expertise relevant to ongoing public policy deliberations. Adams County Community Foundation is also called upon to sign on to formal and informal coalitions that advocate for particular issues relevant to our community.

Adams County Community Foundation's President may authorize participation in such activities when s/he determines such participation is consistent with the mission of Adams County Community Foundation and that the interests of the community are sufficiently clear. The President will inform the Board of Directors of this activity. Where participation is warranted, the President shall be responsible to determine the nature and extent of participation, including the positions to be stated or information to be shared.

Approved by the Board of Directors, August 13, 2012