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On behalf of the board and staff at Community Health Outreach, we would like to express our appreciation for the outpouring of support we've received since announcing the departure of Executive Director, Meredith Smith.

This is an exciting time as we begin to prepare for the future leadership of CHO but also an important time as we say goodbye to Meredith. Over the past 3 years, Meredith oversaw much-needed capital improvements on our busy campus that provides feeding, clothing, and healing to those in need as well as increased staffing, annual contributions, grant funds, partnerships, and programs during her tenure and through the pandemic. We know her successor will have big shoes to fill, but we are confident there will be many candidates wanting the opportunity to build on the foundation she built.

Recently, the board appointed a search committee tasked with identifying our next director. The following board members have taken this task to heart and are working diligently for Community Health Outreach's future: **Matthew Garman, Phil Ayles, and Cheryl Flanders**. We are committed to keeping our supporters and donors informed and promise transparency in our efforts.

We've decided to **engage the local recruiting group, Hueman Executive Search**, to help us identify the strongest possible pool of applicants. We have finalized a job description and our next step will be

posting the position. Please encourage others to share this position once posted. You may know the perfect candidate!

The board of Community Health Outreach wants to assure you that we are striving to continue services and normal business operations while we conduct our search. We are interviewing possible **Interim Directors** for continuity of services as well as Board members, staff and volunteers stepping up to make sure the services depended upon are available.

Finally, we want to thank the dedicated staff, volunteers, and partners of Community Health Outreach, who have allowed our continued growth through their efforts and giving hearts. Because of them – and your generous contributions – we are well-positioned to continue our mission, which is more important now than ever.

Please feel free to direct any questions related to the search to **Mr. Stevie Taylor, Board Chairperson, pastorstaylor1971@gmail.com**

Thank you,

Board of Directors
Community Health Outreach