

A Message From The President

As we approach the conclusion of another bountiful year for the Garden of the Gods Park, I wanted to take a moment to express my gratitude for your unwavering support and generous contributions that have propelled us to reach remarkable milestones. It is with great pleasure that I share some exciting news and updates from the Garden of the Gods Foundation.

Since our inception in 1994, the Garden of the Gods Foundation has remained resolute in its commitment to safeguarding the natural beauty and rich cultural heritage of this awe-inspiring National Natural Landmark. Through the ceaseless dedication of our board and the remarkable generosity of donors like yourself, we have been able to contribute over \$6 million dollars to the city for initiatives aimed at preserving and enhancing this national treasure!

I am delighted to announce a significant advancement within the Garden of the Gods Foundation. Christina Haywood, who has consistently demonstrated exceptional dedication and proficiency in her role as the Director of Operations for the Garden of the Gods Visitor & Nature Center, has been promoted to the position of Executive Director of the Foundation. Her exceptional leadership and visionary approach have played a crucial role in driving our initiatives forward, and I am confident that under her guidance, the Foundation will continue to flourish and make a lasting impact.

I am also pleased to introduce Tracy Goodwin, who recently joined the Garden of the Gods family as the Director of Operations at the Visitor & Nature Center. With her extensive operations experience and passion for outdoor recreation, we are excited to have her on board as we continue to strive to enhance and elevate the visitor experience and further enrich our educational outreach programs.

We have exciting plans for the Visitor Center, including the expansion of the parking lot and restroom facilities over the next few years. These capital projects will significantly enhance the overall experience for our local community and visitors, ensuring that you can enjoy the beauty of the Garden of the Gods in comfort and convenience.

As we look ahead to the coming year, we are faced with fresh challenges that call for our collective support and financial backing. Your continued contributions play a pivotal role in sustaining our conservation efforts and ensuring that the Garden of the Gods Park remains an unspoiled sanctuary for generations to come. Your contribution will directly impact our ability to undertake crucial conservation projects, capital improvements, educational programs, and maintenance endeavors that are essential to preserving what we consider to be the crown jewel of Colorado Springs.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to you for your past support and sincerely hope that you will consider making a donation to the Garden of the Gods Foundation this year. Together, we uphold the legacy of this magnificent park and ensure it remains an invaluable asset for our local community, and visitors from around the world.

Thank you for your continued dedication and commitment to the Garden of the Gods Foundation. We look forward to your support and partnership in the upcoming year.

Warm regards,

Jan Martin

President

Garden of the Gods Foundation