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Subject: Brown County Community Foundation Welcomes New CEO

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This month will bring the first day under the Brown County Community Foundation's new leadership with CEO, Alice Susemichel. In this role, she will steer the foundation in its continued growth as the leader in local philanthropy and a catalyst for positive impact on all citizens of Brown County.

Dwight Thompson, BCCF Board of Trustees Chair, said, "I am honored to introduce our new CEO on behalf of the Board of Trustees, CEO search committee, community stakeholders, fundholders, and staff. Alice's leadership experience, community engagement, and positive approach are critical as we move BCCF towards new levels of community support."

The BCCF CEO search committee worked in a precise and efficient way to develop a comprehensive and equitable search process. The team developed a position description informed by interviews and listening sessions with community leaders, donors, board members, and staff. Ms. Susemichel emerged as a top candidate after a thorough interview process and was approved by the Board of Trustees on July 31st, 2023. She will begin her role as CEO on August 15th.

"Alice has the expertise and passion for supporting others that is needed to lead the Foundation and our community forward," said John Elliott, BCCF Board of Trustees member and chair of the search committee. "She is a smart, energetic, and engaging leader who will bring people together to build momentum."

In her previous role at Marian University in Employer Relations, Ms. Susemichel worked to the benefit of students through collaborative relationships with faculty, employer and community partners to drive outcomes mirroring the organization's mission. An effective communicator, collaborator, and strategic planner, Alice has 29 years of corporate management insight as well as many years of volunteer service and leadership. She brings to the position a Lean Six Sigma Black Belt certification, an Executive Certificate in the Business of Life Sciences, and is a Project Management Professional.

Now at the helm as BCCF CEO, she will work with Board, staff, stakeholders, professional advisors, and fundholders, to expand the Foundation's impact by connecting people who care with causes that matter.

"I am honored to join BCCF as its new CEO. I look forward to working with our staff, board members, donors, and community partners to continue building a stronger and more equitable community for all of Brown County," said Susemichel.

The Brown County Community Foundation has the best interests of the community at heart. By supporting charitable organizations in broad areas of community need – education, social services, health care, arts and humanities, and environment – we help build a stronger, healthier Brown County. If you have any questions, please contact us at 812-988-4882.

