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BONFILS-STANTON FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2007 LIVINGSTON FELLOWS

Program Awards \$125,000 to Nonprofit Executives

(Denver, CO – May 2, 2007) Today, the Bonfils-Stanton Foundation announced the five 2007 winners of the prestigious Livingston Fellowship awards. As Livingston Fellows, these nonprofit leaders will each receive up to \$25,000 for study, research and professional development. The Foundation's Livingston Fellowship Program, now in its third year, provides advanced professional development opportunities to promising Colorado nonprofit leaders seen as "rising stars."

Chairman J. Landis Martin announced the awards at the Foundation's 22nd Annual Awards Luncheon. "The Foundation recognizes the great impact nonprofit organizations make on our community," noted Martin. "The Livingston Fellowships represent a significant investment in the professional growth, development, and potential of the nonprofit sector's emerging leaders."

The 2007 Livingston Fellows are:

- Lance Cheslock, Executive Director of La Puente Home, Alamosa, Colo.
- Tom Downey, Executive Director of The Children's Museum, Denver, Colo.
- Lucille Johnson, Director of Health Initiatives at the Center for African American Health, Denver, Colo.
- **Barclay Jones**, Vice President of Assets for Family Success at Mile High United Way, Denver, Colo.
- Patty Ortiz, Executive Director of Museo de las Americas, Denver, Colo.

The five Fellows were nominated by a panel of Colorado community leaders, interviewed by an independent consultant, and reviewed and approved by the Board of Trustees. Each demonstrated exceptional leadership qualities; potential for significant contribution to the nonprofit sector; and the ability to be a role model for other Colorado nonprofit leaders organizations.

Each fellow will design a program of activities that may include study, research, skill enhancement, professional development, and peer learning. Fellows from previous years will serve as mentors to the 2007 class, creating a growing network of inspired leaders to strengthen Colorado's nonprofit community.

The fellowship awards carry the name of Johnston R. Livingston, a Trustee of the Foundation since 1979. Livingston chaired the Foundation's Board of Trustees from 2000 until 2005, and continues as a Trustee and Chairman Emeritus. His career included

management positions at Honeywell and Whirlpool as well as the start-up of two manufacturing companies. He has been an active volunteer and board member for various nonprofit organizations including the World Trade Center Denver, Denver Symphony Orchestra, and the Institute of International Education—Rocky Mountain Region.

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