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Community College of Denver President Pledges \$50,000 to College's Foundation Gift is largest in Foundation History

(Denver, CO) -- Talk about putting your money where your mouth is.

Community College of Denver (CCD) President Dr. Everette Freeman recently pledged \$50,000 over five years to the CCD Foundation to support the school and its students.

Dr. Freeman's gift is the largest since the Foundation was established in 2011.

Freeman, who began his tenure as president in November, has thrown down the gauntlet to incentivize others to support the foundation and the college's mission to help students realize their full potential.

"CCD has the most hardworking, diverse student body in the state," said Dr. Freeman. "I am committed to ensuring that CCD has the support and programs needed to ensure their success."

Freeman's gift also comes at a time of new beginnings for the institution.

In addition to his selection as the new president of CCD, a new strategic plan for the college was unveiled last month and new leadership of the foundation has been established with the selection of Francie Anhut as its executive director.

"Our vision for the CCD Foundation is to accelerate important student success initiatives and to enable program expansion," said Anhut. "Dr. Freeman's gift is a huge step in that direction."

As the College implements changes necessary to bolster persistence and completion rates, and continuing to ensure that CCD the first choice for students from all walks of life, many are taking notice that this gift comes from one hardly known to be a wealthy man.

"Dr. Freeman deeply believes in the power of community colleges to transform lives, communities and economies," Anhut continued. "With affordable tuition, flexible course



CCD President Dr. Everette Freeman

options, an incredibly committed and caring faculty that goes the extra mile for our students, and personalized support, CCD truly is the smart option for post-secondary education."

Community College of Denver (CCD) is a leading point of entry to higher education for the City and County of Denver. CCD provides a cost effective, high quality college education, along with access and opportunity for non-traditional students, workforce development, training resources for local organizations, and community partnerships.

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