

# NEW FOUNDATIONS

*Breaking the chain of violence!*

New Foundations Nonviolence Center

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## Dear Supporter,

New Foundations Nonviolence Center is working very hard to bring you up to date information on the exciting changes and growth planned for the organization. We welcome your feedback and hope you will get it touch with any suggestions or comments you may have.

We have an exciting event coming up next month, to celebrate peace and also to take time and offer thanks to key volunteers that have made NFNC programs possible. We hope to see you there.

I am excited to have been offered the opportunity to join New Foundations Nonviolence Center as the new Executive Director. I look forward to meeting you and working together to create a more peaceful community.

Sincerely,

Tahverlee Dunlop  
Executive Director  
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**Celebration of Peace Event November 12, 7p.m.**

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### About Us

For more than twenty years, New Foundations Nonviolence Center has helped inmates in Colorado jails and prisons.

Through our corps of dedicated volunteers, we serve inmates with respect and dignity offering training in non-violent conflict resolution and support to transform their lives.

Through out Alternatives to Violence Project, One-to-One Jail Inmate Visitation and the Telephone Support Line, we offer inmates the help they need to successfully reconnect to their community.

No other organization provides these unique and effective programs to this troubled and challenging population.

For more information, to volunteer, or to make a

Join New Foundations in honoring Bruce Thron-Weber and other volunteers/community leaders who make our work possible.

We are celebrating more than 20 years of success and hope to see you there.

Tickets are \$25 and include dinner and dessert.

Las Delicias Restaurant  
4301 East Kentucky Avenue,  
Glendale, CO

For tickets or more information, please contact us at: [Info@nfnc-avp.org](mailto:Info@nfnc-avp.org)

Come help us Celebrate Peace!!



### Update from Bruce Thron-Weber

I have retired as Executive Director of New Foundations Nonviolence Center (NFNC) and I will continue to be involved as a volunteer. I am staying involved because it is an excellent way for me to express my belief in the value of every person. Not because people in prison are any less worthy, but because our society **sees** them as less valuable. In addition, violence is the [modus operandi](#) of prisons. It is transformative to just be present and respect as human beings those who are incarcerated and have the ability to change. I see this transformation in every Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) Workshop that I help facilitate and with many of the people in the jail with whom we work. It is exciting and deeply satisfying. Last, but not least, this work is the most powerful motivation to better myself, that I know.

Over the years I have served as board member, president of the board of directors, fundraiser, financial supporter and program volunteer. There have been some failures and many successes. I have seen an incarcerated police officer and someone he had arrested develop respect for each other in an AVP Workshop; a former inmate go back into prison to facilitate workshops; a drunk from the streets sober up and regain his nursing license; many in the Denver County Jail realize that alcohol abuse is at the heart of their challenge to stay out of jail; and several volunteers help prisoners get out of jail when they were intended to by informing judges of problems of communication between the court and the jail. Hearing about the changes that inmates have made in their live and their determination to

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continue to grow, are what motivate me to keep growing myself. And there is much more.

It is time for NFNC to get beyond its final founder who is still involved with this organization. For this work to continue for another generation or more, it must take on a life of its own. That means supporting an executive director, Tahverlee Dunlop, who did not come up through the organization, so that new ideas, connections and skills can breath new life into NFNC. I will stay involved for the next six to twelve months as volunteer program coordinator to help with the transition and after that as a program volunteer. This is such important work with such an underserved population that has great potential to contribute to our communities. Let's keep it going.

## **New Foundations Nonviolence Center is honored to receive support from Community Shares.**

Here's how you can help...

Many Colorado workplaces offer employee giving campaigns. Employees are able to donate a dollar amount per paycheck to their charity of choice. Payroll contributions are a simple and efficient way to support the issues you care about most. Now is a great time to talk to your workplace about joining a fall or winter giving campaign with Community Shares.

New Foundations Nonviolence Center is proud to be a partner with Community Shares, we are thankful for their confidence in us and in our partnership to create a healthier community.

Their commitment to giving helps hundreds of offenders feel empowered to make positive life changes for the betterment of themselves, their families and the community at large. Offenders have the opportunity to learn new skills, find new resources and gain the confidence to approach life's challenges in a non-violent way.

To find out more about joining Community Shares of Colorado, visit [www.cshares.org](http://www.cshares.org).



**CommunityShares**

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