



Dear Ray of Hope Cancer Foundation Supporters,

It is bittersweet to share with you that after 5 years as the Executive Director of Ray of Hope Cancer Foundation, I'm moving on to a new endeavor in June. I have accepted the role of Executive Director of PSC Partners Seeking a Cure, continuing my passion-driven journey, advocating and making a tangible impact for individuals navigating their health and well-being challenges. I can promise you that this decision did not come lightly as Ray of Hope has never been just a job for me, but a large part of who I am.

I have had the great fortune of working with an incredibly supportive, collaborative, and high-functioning board of directors. I have been inspired daily by a staff team with unparalleled talents, a constant drive for excellence, and a willingness to inject humor and fun along the way. And I have been deeply motivated by you—our donors, corporate partners, and volunteers. Your personal stories have inspired me and touched my heart every single day. Working on behalf of Ray of Hope's community has been one of my life's greatest honors.

My love of our work has never wavered. Rather, it has grown as we have pushed the envelope on what is possible. We've advanced from a financial assistance provider to the creator of a one-of-its-kind, cancer-related financial toxicity and mental health advocate. Over the last 5 years, we've grown into an innovative, uniquely collaborative, and highly regarded Colorado nonprofit.

None of this would have been possible without you. You've trusted, supported, and partnered with our team as we've taken bold leaps and achieved some audacious goals—such as launching our mental health support program which many thought was too large a task for us to pull off, and increasing our cancer-related financial toxicity (CRFT) grants by 50%, ensuring cancer patients can pay for their essential needs while undergoing treatment!

When I step aside in June, an exemplary and brilliant team member and the current Managing Director, Mauro Villaseñor, will lead Ray of Hope as interim Executive Director. With our fantastic team in place and Mauro at the helm, Ray of Hope will not miss a beat.

I will continue to make Ray of Hope a personal philanthropic priority and eagerly anticipate the upcoming 2024 Hope Gala on October 26th, a date I have marked on my calendar with enthusiasm. I extend a heartfelt invitation to all to join me that evening, as we celebrate our collective achievements and contribute to propelling Ray of Hope to new heights.

Thank you for your partnership in creating the Ray of Hope we all know and love. I can't wait to see what the future holds for this awe-inspiring foundation.

Sincerely,

*Andra Fleming*