"As our region experiences significant growth, we will directly see a rise in generosity. It’s the individuals and their collective efforts that drive considerable impact and make our community so special. The Foundation’s goal is to empower our community to realize its full potential and cultivate a new era of generosity for decades to come."

- Michael Chatman, President & CEO
Cape Coral Community Foundation
MEET THE VISIONARY, MICHAEL CHATMAN, FOUNDATION PRESIDENT & CEO

Michael Chatman built his career on the mantra “anyone can be a philanthropist,” and Cape Coral is fortunate to have his steady hand guiding the Foundation’s future. In August 2016, Chatman stepped into his current role and quickly proved to be a powerhouse in forming strategic partnerships that will pave the way for growth and development.

Chatman is one of the most influential philanthropy leaders in America. Whether it’s leading the Financial Advisors Charitable Fund, serving as President of the Global Center for Generosity at Cape Coral Community Foundation, hosting “The Michael Chatman Giving Show” on Unity Worldwide Radio Network, promoting the annual Philanthropy Experts & Leaders Academy, Chatman has an extensive network as a social media maven, publisher of digital content, corporate social responsibility consultant, public speaker and thought-leader on cultivating generosity.

If you have a vision for a fund or idea for a special program, call (239) 542-5594 or send a note to Michael@CapeCoralCF.org. To connect with him on social media, follow him on Twitter @MichaelChatman or LinkedIn.

THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

A volunteer board of directors works closely with Michael Chatman to lead the operation and ensure the organization fulfills its mission. The team is comprised of extraordinary community leaders, business professionals and philanthropists. To learn more about the current board of directors, visit the website at CapeCoralCF.org.
CAPE CORAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IS THE GLOBAL CENTER FOR GENEROSITY.

JOIN US  We accomplish more together than we do alone and welcome all individuals, regardless of their financial ability, to share their contributions in community building. Anyone with a charitable spirit is invited to join in our mission. The Foundation helps connect civic-minded people who care, want to make a difference or leave a legacy. Each dollar entrusted to the Foundation is maximized to establish a positive impact today, tomorrow and for generations to come.

WHO WE ARE  The Cape Coral Community Foundation is a vehicle for people of all means to make a lasting difference in their community and beyond. We build upon philanthropy efforts and strengthen society by encouraging endowments, addressing the public’s needs and providing community leadership.

OUR IMPACT
- Assisting not-for-profit organizations
- Empowering faith-based groups
- Guiding private schools
- Partnering with financial advisors and wealth managers
- Introducing corporate employee giving
BENEFITS OF WORKING WITH US

**Easy & Effective** - The Foundation is your one-stop shop for all charitable giving needs, making it easy and effective to support causes you care about through a gift to a single organization.

**Tax Benefits** - Receive the maximum tax advantages for income, gift and estate tax purposes.

**Legacy** - Your gift will last forever when given to the Foundation or one of its affiliated funds’ permanent endowments. With an endowment, assets are invested to generate an ongoing source of income year after year and your legacy will last forever.

**Objectivity** - Unrestricted funds support the community’s most important needs, while other funds are designated to benefit donors’ favorite causes.

**Accountability** - Provides cost-effective and efficient management of funds and assets to ensure maximum benefit to the community and causes.

**Experience** - More than four decades of experience connecting people with causes and serving individuals, families, advisors, nonprofits, businesses and private organizations.
Evolving to Become a Fundraising Institute

The Cape Coral Community Foundation functions as a fundraising institute to train and cultivate talented development officers and executive philanthropic leadership for nonprofit organizations.

“Sustainability” is a popular but often misunderstood buzzword in the nonprofit sector. We have to be mindful that running a successful operation is more than having enough funding to compensate staff, keep the lights on and to do a few programs. The Foundation can help increase an organization’s competitiveness and strengthen its overall financial health in the current economic climate. The program topics for our fundraising institute include:

- Developing a fundraising plan
- How to build a diversified funding base for your nonprofit
- How to ask for fundraising support without fear
- How to raise money through social media and online fundraising networks
- How to raise unrestricted funds to support operations and programs
- Innovative nonprofit funding models
Each year an extraordinary philanthropist is honored with the Elmer Tabor Generosity Award, established in the namesake of one of Cape Coral’s most civic-minded individuals. The Tabor Award celebrates humanitarians who are known for their outstanding service in the community and demonstrate leadership that inspires others to a life of generosity. Past recipients include Paul Sanborn, Boots Tolles, Barbara Watts-Biggs, Tom Giles, Mary Lou Griffith and David Gomer.

As an iconic Lee County philanthropist, Michel Doherty was named the 2017 Tabor Award winner and has been an instrumental force in the development of substance abuse treatment programs while working with both Betty Ford and Nancy Reagan. She’s been named the Lee County Commissioner’s “Citizen of the Year,” PACE Center for Girls - Lee County’s Grand Dame and recognized with the News-Press’ inaugural Luminary Award. Doherty serves the Cape Coral Civic Association, Cape Coral Republican Club, and is a founding member of the Tiger Bay Club of Southwest Florida, among many others.

In her honor, the ”Michel Doherty Friends of the Foundation Fund” was created and will serve as a channel to drive the Foundation’s strategic leadership initiatives.
*FAST FACTS ABOUT CAPE CORAL*

Forbes Magazine reported that Cape Coral is the fastest growing city in the U.S.

2017 marks the 60th anniversary of the purchase of the land for Cape Coral by the Rosen Brothers. The price tag? $678,000

Cape Coral is quickly becoming a foodie city.

Cape Coral’s economy is fueled by construction, real estate, retail and service industries.

The Cape is home to the largest population of Burrowing Owls in the world.

Cape Coral features more navigable waterways than any other city across the globe.

The commercial tax base in Cape Coral increased by 50% in 2015 and 2016.

9,200+ Number of Cape Coral based businesses.

*According to the Cape Coral Economic Development Office, March 2017*
Cape Coral Community Foundation provides flexible, efficient and tax-effective ways to ensure donors’ charitable giving achieves the greatest possible impact.