



Caring



Connecting



Collaborating



Contributing



Creating

The Patterson Foundation, as an endowed charitable entity, does not solicit funds

THE VISION

Anyone can be a philanthropist!

\$18,432,471 raised
58,947 donors
687 nonprofits



Step by step, our community raised nearly \$18.5 million dollars in 24 hours during a global pandemic. Although the magic

happened in a short period of time, the vision took more than a year of planning.

THE POWER OF PRESENCE IS BACK

As of yesterday, 264 people signed up for "The Power of Presence in the time of COVID-19."

Families across the country are adapting to dramatic changes during the pandemic. Join the [Suncoast Campaign for Grade-Level Reading](#) for a discussion this morning, Saturday, May 2 at 10a or Monday, May 4 at 8p, as Joy Thomas Moore shares how the seven pillars of presence--heart, faith, mind, courage, financial freedom, values, and connectedness--can help guide families through these challenging times.

Joy will touch on questions like, "What are the most effective ways to empower parents to be the best teachers for their children?"

and "Do you think it is worth the risk to allow children to play with a few chosen friends?"

Community Foundation of Sarasota County held fundraising workshops. Participating nonprofits innovated in their approach and adapted quickly with a creative pivot due to COVID-19, and TPF shared social media tips created by the Sara Leonard Group full of helpful information to beef up campaigns.

With the communities support, the masterpiece that is the Giving Challenge came to life.

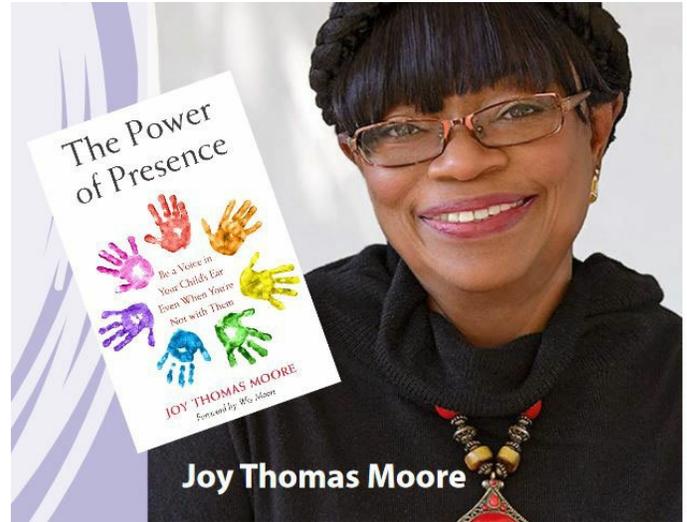
The success of the 2020 Giving Challenge, combined with more than \$2 million raised during the reactivated Season of Sharing campaign, serves as a source of light at a time when many are searching for one. The generous spirit behind the success of both efforts is as much a part of our region as the arts & cultural offerings and natural beauty we are known for worldwide.

Step by step, bit by bit, part by part, chart by chart...we put it together!

[CONTINUE READING: 2020 Giving Challenge Soars Past Adversity to Reach New Heights](#)

In partnership with The Florida Center for Early Childhood, following the webinar, participants will be invited to continue the connection in a series of weekly facilitated discussions focused on the seven pillars of presence.

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The Patterson Foundation is focusing on opportunities to enhance community outreach around the 2020 Census across [Charlotte](#), [DeSoto](#), [Manatee](#), and [Sarasota](#) counties. The census provides the opportunity for communities to chart their path forward.

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[Putting It Together \(time: 4:20\)](#)

STEPPING FORWARD BOOK CIRCLES CONTINUE VIRTUALLY

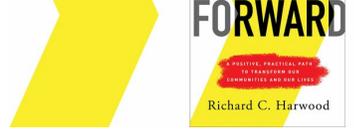
A message from Hannah Saeger Karnei

During this exceptional time, TPF encourages you to adhere to [CDC guidelines](#) to self-isolate, stay 6 feet from each other, and wash your hands. Nothing is more important than your health and safety!



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With that in mind, please know that TPF has extended the time frame of book circles through December 2020. If your group would like to continue to meet over FaceTime, Skype, Zoom, social media or any other creative method that allows discussion and community, TPF is happy to count that as a meeting.



We hope that you will continue to check on each other, offer support, and share with us any positivity that comes from this unusual time. Our team will continue to think about ways we can stay engaged with you while maintaining a physical distance.

Read up on [what's happening with *Stepping Forward* book circles in your community](#), and [sign up to lead one today!](#)

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