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## **Gift to Rocky Mountain Public Media Paves the Way to New Buell Public Media Center**

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(DENVER — May 4, 2017) — Rocky Mountain Public Media, parent company of Rocky Mountain PBS and KUVU Radio, today announced a leadership gift of \$6 million from the Buell Foundation to RMPM's recently launched \$30 million capital campaign. The campaign will fund RMPM's new headquarters at the corner of 21<sup>st</sup> and Arapahoe in Downtown Denver, to be named the Buell Public Media Center.

"This catalytic investment from the Buell Foundation demonstrates the Foundation's confidence in this project, and will shape the future of Rocky Mountain Public Media," said Amanda Mountain, President & CEO of Rocky Mountain Public Media. She went on to add, "Thanks to their incredible generosity, this new facility will help us convene communities and celebrate the diverse stories, perspectives, and experiences of Coloradans."

"Colorado needs a vibrant epicenter for listening, learning and community dialogue – a place that connects the public to topics that matter to them – and we are thrilled to make this important civic investment to better serve our statewide community," noted Dan Ritchie, President of the Buell Foundation Board of Trustees.

Once completed, the Buell Center will be home to Rocky Mountain PBS, KUVU Jazz Radio, programming operations and performance studios. It will also be a venue where students and professionals access advanced media technologies to learn to create and produce their own stories.

The Capital Campaign Cabinet is co-chaired by Chad Hollingsworth, Senior Vice President, Corporate Development with Liberty Media; Patty Pacey, President of Pacey Economics, Inc.; and Mary Sissel, community leader. The Campaign Advisory Committee is chaired by former RMPM CEO Doug Price. The Project Team includes: Tryba Architects – Architect; Mortensen Construction – General Contractor; Wells Partnership – Owner's Representative, and The Kellogg Organization, Inc. – Fundraising Counsel.

Rocky Mountain Public Media is Colorado's only statewide media network, actively investing in satellite offices and operations across the state. RMPM reaches 98% of Colorado households, and with 75,000 members, is Colorado's largest membership organization in the state.

### *About Rocky Mountain Public Media:*

*Rocky Mountain Public Media, Inc. is the parent company of Rocky Mountain PBS (KRMA, KTSC, KRMJ, KRMU, KRMZ), Rocky Mountain PBS News, and KUVU Jazz. Rocky Mountain PBS' mission is to enrich the lives of Coloradans through engaging and essential programs, services and community partnerships that inform, enlighten and entertain. Rocky Mountain PBS began in Denver in 1956 as Colorado's first public television station. It is now Colorado's only statewide television network, with stations in Denver (KRMA), Pueblo/Colorado Springs (KTSC), Steamboat Springs (KRMZ), Grand Junction (KRMJ) and Durango (KRMU).*