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THE BFD REPORT



from Family Forward Action

{{FirstName or 'Friend'}},

It's been a busy, busy month for us! Dance Like a Mother is right around the corner ([don't forget to buy your ticket](#) if you haven't done so already!), and an important primary election is coming up on May 17th. The Mother PAC's endorsement committee has been working hard all spring, vetting candidates to make sure we're supporting some of the people who are ready to champion the policies that invest in moms, caregivers, people of color, and our families. As you fill out your ballot in these next few weeks, make sure to check out their [endorsement guide](#) — available in both [English](#) and [Spanish](#).

Our team has also been growing! I'm excited to introduce Kate Sharaf (read more about her below) and to remind you of a few [open positions on our team](#). It's an exciting time to join Family Forward — we have a lot of big plans on the horizon and we need a team that's ready to take on the challenge. We're able to keep growing and building our movement because of all of *your* support.

That's a BFD.

Until next month,



Amy Hojnowski
Development Director
Family Forward Oregon & Family Forward Action

Exciting News!

After over a decade of making an impact here in Oregon, our founding Executive Director, Andrea Paluso, has been named as the new Co-Director of the Child Care for Every Family Network, which will be leading state-to-national work on child care! We couldn't be more excited for Andrea and what her incredible leadership means for the future of child care in this country.



[Read a message from Andrea on what this means for her and for Family Forward.](#)



Kate Sharaf

[Meet Kate!](#) The newest member of our team and donor engagement manager. After nearly a decade as a stay at home parent, activist, and volunteer, Kate has a deep personal commitment to our mission and is excited to join the Family Forward team.

Kate brings a wide breadth of experience in fundraising, organizing, and event production, and enjoys building relationships and finding ways to engage people in support of a mission. She particularly appreciates Family Forward's intersectional, justice-oriented approach to change. Kate has a graduate degree in public policy and worked in the Federal and State government on health care policy prior to having kids. She has two kids and enjoys gardening, camping, making pottery, and many other crafts.



We're just a few weeks away from Dance Like a Mother! We're super excited to see you and celebrate all of our wins over the past few years. This celebration wouldn't be possible without the support of our [sponsors](#) and co-hosts — their contributions ensure we're able to have a fun night out and that we're able to support the candidates who will champion the policies our families need. Want to join in on the co-hosting fun? Send me an email at amy@motherpac.org to learn more!

OUR AMAZING

Dance Like a Mother Sponsors

Epic



Heroic



Daring



Bold



OUR FIERCE

Dance Party Cohosts

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Amy Ruiz
Courtney Helstein
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Michelle Lasley
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