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**BELCO AND CAN'D AID FOUNDATION PARTNER TO PRESENT COMMUNITY
CONCERT IN SUPPORT OF MUSIC PROGRAMS IN LOCAL SCHOOLS**

Event in celebration of Bellco's new Longmont branch

GREENWOOD VILLAGE and LONGMONT, Colo. (Aug. 16, 2017) – [Bellco](#) and the [CAN'd Aid Foundation](#) are partnering to present a free community concert on Friday, Aug. 18 at the Village at the Peaks outdoor shopping area. Featuring local bands [One Flew West](#) and [Wildermis](#), the event is being held in celebration of the opening of Bellco's new Longmont branch in the same shopping area.

Members of One Flew West will be on hand before the 7 p.m. concert for a CAN'd Aid TUNES guitar workshop at 6 p.m., also open to the public.

While the event is free, concertgoers are invited to make a donation to the CAN'd Aid Foundation at the event or through Aug. 31 in the new Bellco branch. All donations collected will be used to support local music education programs. Bellco has also made an additional contribution to the CAN'd Aid Foundation for the purchase of more than \$6,000 in instruments for St. Vrain public schools, including violins, clarinets, guitars, vihuelas and more.

"Bellco has a long history of supporting the communities where our members live, work and play," said John Rivera, Bellco's senior vice president and chief retail officer. "When we open in a new community as we are doing with our Longmont branch, we look for nonprofit organizations to partner with who share our commitment to giving back locally. In Longmont, we found an ideal partner in the CAN'd Aid Foundation. They, too, are deeply committed to the Longmont community, and it is an honor to join forces with them to make a difference in the lives of Longmont's children."

"At the CAN'd Aid Foundation, we believe music has the power to transform lives," said Sarah Leavitt, CAN'd Aid's director of operations and programs. "Through our TUNES initiative, we support programs that teach, share, inspire and make a difference through music, art and culture. We are thrilled to collaborate with Bellco on an event that brings the community together, while also putting more musical instruments in the hands of local Longmont students."

The first 100 guests at the event will receive free pizza from Parry's Pizza and burgers from Bad Daddy's Burger Bar. Both restaurants will also have food available for purchase. In addition, the first 300 people at the event will receive a Bellco picnic blanket and be entered into a raffle for the chance to win an Oskar Blues fishing pole or a guitar signed by the members of One Flew West.

About Bellco Credit Union

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About Can'd Aid Foundation

The CAN'd Aid Foundation is all about diggin' in and makin' a difference where we CAN. Our "do-goodery" is focused on:

- Towns – building strong communities
- Tunes – for your eyeholes and earholes
- Treads + Trails – get outside and get after it!
- Love Yur Mama – save the blue marble

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