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Janet Yousey started in her new role as Shangri-La's CEO on April 9, 2018.

Shangri-La Under New Leadership

Janet Yousey selected as new CEO

Salem, Ore. -- Shangri-La's Board of Directors announced in late March that Janet Yousey will serve as Shangri-La's new chief executive officer. Yousey will succeed Karen Rutledge who announced her retirement from the position earlier this year.

"Janet possesses the creativity, inspiration and leadership needed to guide this organization into a challenging but exciting future," said Nick Bender, Shangri-La board president, in a video announcement to Shangri-La employees.

Yousey has been part of Shangri-La's executive leadership team since 2013, holding various roles related to organizational and talent development. Her previous experience includes consulting work focused on organizational assessment, strategic planning, and leadership development.

"I am incredibly excited and beyond humbled to have been chosen as CEO," said Yousey. "I am looking forward to working with the Shangri-La team and our community partners to deepen our organizational culture, strengthen our community presence, build inclusive communities, and continue to provide life enriching support to those we serve."

Rutledge and Yousey will work closely together over the next few weeks to ensure a smooth transition for the organization. Yousey plans to spend the first few months completing a listening tour and meeting with organizational and community leaders.

If you would like to connect with Janet, she welcomes your invitations and/or inquiries. She can be reached at 503-581-1732, x337 or by email at janet.yousey@shangrila-or.org.

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Janet Yousey photo attached. Shangri-La authorizes the use of this photo for the sole purpose of coverage related to the announcement of Janet Yousey becoming Shangri-La's CEO.

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BACKGROUND

Founded in 1963, Shangri-La is a diverse, non-profit, human services organization serving individuals with disabilities and disadvantages so that they may recognize and achieve their full potential. With over 100 service locations throughout the Willamette Valley and central Oregon coast, Shangri-La's efforts continue to create communities where all people are accepted for their abilities.