

Guest Speaker, Los Altos Community Foundation's 28th Annual Brunch



Kriss Deiglmeier, Chief Executive Officer, Tides

Named one of the “50 Most Influential Women in U.S. Philanthropy” by Philanthropy, Kriss is a bridge builder who finds solutions to society’s toughest problems at the nexus of funders, changemakers, business, and policy. As a visionary leader, Kriss has scaled multiple organizations and innovative ideas that have transformed the social impact field.

Kriss is the CEO of Tides, a global foundation and social venture accelerator that supports corporate, private, and family foundations, and individual donors, granting over \$380 million to social change agents worldwide. In addition to philanthropic impact, Tides delivers fiscal sponsorship and management services for nonprofits, and collaborative workspace for nonprofit and for-profit organizations. Before joining Tides, Kriss was the founding Executive Director for the Center for Social Innovation (CSI) at Stanford. She established CSI as a global leader in the emerging social innovation field. Kriss worked as an Advisor to the Stanford Institute for Innovation in Developing Economies while living in Myanmar.

Kriss is recognized as a pioneer in the field of social innovation and has presented internationally on social innovation, social entrepreneurship, design thinking, and public-private partnerships as well as guest-lectured at Stanford Graduate School of Business, University of California, Berkeley, Hitotsubashi University, Kyoto University, and Kyushu University. Kriss developed and taught the course, “Social Innovation through Corporate Social Responsibility,” at the Stanford Graduate School of Business. Furthermore, Kriss has written and published leading thought pieces on social impact. She has co-authored several articles, including “Rediscovering Social Innovation,” published in the Stanford Social Innovation Review.

Kriss has served on numerous boards and advisory groups. Kriss received her BA from the University of Washington, and her MBA from UC Berkeley. Kriss resides in the Bay Area with her husband, her two children, and her dog, Lucy.