

# GULF COAST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

**Mark Pritchett**  
**President and CEO**

Mark Pritchett is responsible for the overall leadership and direction of Gulf Coast Community Foundation, including corporate strategy, oversight of its programs, operations, and investments. Known as a seasoned leader in business, philanthropy, and public policy, he thrives on big challenges, having led Florida's election reform task force after the 2000 Presidential election and overseeing disputes between home owners and insurance companies after the 2004 and 2005 record hurricane seasons. Mark has advanced nationally recognized initiatives at Gulf Coast in education and workforce development. Prior to joining the foundation in 2008, he held leadership positions with the Florida Chamber of Commerce, Enterprise Florida, and the Collins Center for Public Policy. He earned Bachelor of Science and master's degrees from the University of Kentucky and a PhD from The Florida State University. Mark loves the Colorado Rockies, riding his bike with Gina Taylor throughout our region, science articles, Chihuly glass collections, European travels, Kentucky bourbon, and UK basketball...not necessarily in that order.