

[The sounds of healthy harmony](#)[1]

[In nation's capital, President Saliman advocates for CU, higher ed](#)[2]

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CU President Todd Saliman traveled to Washington, D.C., earlier this month to meet with Colorado's congressional delegation and to advocate for higher education and the university.

Saliman's two-day visit to the nation's capital included meetings with Sen. Michael Bennet and Reps. Diana DeGette, Joe Neguse, Jason Crow, Lauren Boebert, Jeff Hurd and Jeff Crank.

Among the topics Saliman discussed with the Colorado congressional members were the importance of federal funding for research as well as facility and administrative expense reimbursements across CU's campuses; quantum; artificial intelligence; legislation regarding Name, Image, and Likeness rights for college athletes; and Space Command.

Saliman was joined by Senior Vice President of External Relations and Strategy Danielle Radovich Piper, members of CU's Government Relations team and CU School of Medicine Dean John Sampson, who highlighted the significance of medical research and clinical care in Colorado.

[Chancellor Christensen celebrates Milo's 12th birthday and an exciting new chapter for CU Denver](#) [3]

[In memoriam: Regent Emeritus Eric W. Schmidt](#)[4]

Regent Emeritus Eric W. Schmidt, who served on the Board of Regents from 1973 to 1979, died Jan. 26, 2025, at his home in Lakewood. He was 91.

Besides winning statewide election to serve on the Board of Regents, Schmidt also served in the Colorado House of Representatives from 1969 to 1973, including a role as assistant majority leader. In 1993, he was honored by a concurrent resolution of the Colorado General Assembly for his service to Colorado. In 1996, the Board of Regents

honored him with a Distinguished Service Award.

An alumnus of CU Boulder, his career included key roles across the CU system, beginning with director of industry relations and assistant to the CU president in the 1960s. In 1979, Schmidt was named vice chancellor for external health affairs at the CU Health Sciences Center, now the CU Anschutz Medical Campus. After retiring from the role in 1991, he later served as a consultant and foundation officer to the CU Foundation.

A memorial service is set for 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 15, 2025, at Bethany Lutheran Church, 4500 E. Hampden Ave., Cherry Hills Village. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked for donations to be made to Norwich University, which Schmidt attended before arriving at CU Boulder, or either of two research projects at the CU Anschutz Medical Campus:

Norwich University

Office of Development

158 Harmon Drive, Northfield, VT 05663

Check Memo Line: "Eric Schmidt Endowed Scholarship Fund"

<https://www.givecampus.com/campaigns/29921/donations/new><sup>[5]</sup>

University of Colorado Foundation

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Denver, CO 80217

Check Memo Line: "In Memory of Eric Schmidt - Pollyea Leukemia Research Fund"

Online: [Giving.CU.Edu/Schmidt](https://giving.cu.edu/Schmidt)<sup>[6]</sup>

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Read more on the life of Regent Emeritus Eric W. Schmidt [here](#)<sup>[7]</sup>.

[Diamond in the rough: Research could help better detect, target cancer cells](#) <sup>[8]</sup>

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[Rabaka launches new podcast](#) [13]

Reiland Rabaka, founder and director of the Center for African and African American Studies (CAAAS) at CU Boulder, recently launched a new podcast.

[The Cause: Conversations on Music, History, and Democracy](#) [14] is a biweekly series exploring the powerful intersections of music, history and social justice. Each episode dives into the causes that shape our world, offering insights and reflections on the ongoing fight for equality and democracy.

"I believe one of the things that distinguishes The Cause from other podcasts is the fact that each episode is devoted to a pivotal great cause — an important principle, aim or movement," Rabaka said. "We will have episodes that focus on human rights, civil rights, social justice, racial justice, gender justice, economic justice, environmental justice, food justice, democracy, pacifism, activism, allyship, etc. We will explore all of these great causes using art, whether literary, visual or performing arts, as sites and sources of self-transformation and social transformation. The Cause Podcast is ultimately about raising consciousness about historic and current momentous causes."

In one of the first episodes, Rabaka highlights his recent book, "The Funk Movement: Music, Culture, and Politics." In a two-part show, Rabaka engages in conversation with Boulder blues musician Otis Taylor.

The Cause is available on platforms including [Apple Podcasts](#) [15], [Spotify](#) [16], [Amazon Podcasts](#) [17] and [YouTube](#). [18] Episodes also will be available through the podcast's [website](#) [19].

['A broader impact': CU Boulder startup culture brings life-changing technology to Colorado](#) [20]

[How does psilocybin alter the brain? We talked to a scientist to find out](#) [21]

[Colorado Springs could feel outsized hit from federal workforce exodus](#)<sup>[22]</sup>

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