

# CONNECTING COLORADO'S HOMELESS TO HOUSING, HEALTHCARE, AND HOPE



# Dear Friends

2015 was a challenging as well as a rewarding year. As the predominant provider of housing and services to those experiencing and at-risk of homelessness, the Coalition served 15,774 adults and children with physical, mental health, dental, and vision services, as well as affordable and supportive housing and an array of support services. In these pages, you will read about the people—board members, staff, and community partners—who create the continuum of resources that make this impact possible.



We broke ground on and nearly completed construction of our newest supportive housing development, Renaissance at North Colorado Station in one of Denver's newest transit hubs. The development features 103 apartment homes and comprehensive supportive services for homeless families, veterans, and chronically homeless individuals, providing affordable, safe housing in the face of Denver's skyrocketing housing costs.

Despite our significant progress, the need for the Coalition's integrated services is greater than ever. The families and individuals we serve need an array of coordinated services to address physical and mental health, substance use recovery, and vocational services, as well as affordable housing and supportive services. The patchwork of funding sources still leaves many gaps in the services that are essential in this continuum of care. Through strong partnerships with government, the provider community, and donors, we are leveraging every resource available to create the greatest impact.



There is still so much to do. Homelessness continues at a crisis level in metro Denver and throughout the state. Housing costs continue to outpace incomes, pushing many into homelessness, and making the path out of homelessness more difficult. While we work to relieve the suffering of those experiencing homelessness, the Coalition is also working to change the way we view and treat our most vulnerable neighbors, advocating for lasting solutions and addressing the underlying conditions that contribute to homelessness.

Your support, through advocacy, volunteerism, and financial gifts, is critical to our success. Thank you.

Gratefully,



John Parvensky  
President



Jay Brown  
Chair, Board of Directors

# CREATING LASTING SOLUTIONS TO HOMELESSNESS



# 15,774

MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN  
SERVED BY THE COALITION IN 2015

# 13,197+

PEOPLE RECEIVED HEALTH CARE



# 3,018

HOUSEHOLDS HOUSED IN 2015

# 103

APARTMENT HOMES  
UNDER CONSTRUCTION

# 10,523

RECEIVED  
MEDICAL CARE

# 3,840

RECEIVED MENTAL  
HEALTH CARE

# 1,372

FAMILIES  
RECEIVED  
SUPPORT



# 462

FAMILIES HOUSED THROUGH  
FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES

# 1,716

2014

TOTAL SERVED IN DENTAL CLINIC

# 3,042

2015



# 77%

INCREASE IN TOTAL  
PATIENTS SERVED BY THE  
DENTAL CLINIC

# HELPING VETERANS MAKE A COMEBACK



## Supported Recovery

Bruce showed up early to his appointment, dressed in a suit, tie, and polished shoes. To those who know Bruce, this wasn't surprising—a former Marine, salesman, and father from the Western Slope. But, Bruce also used to be homeless and was struggling with addiction.

Bruce was making six-figures with a wife and child before the tech bubble burst. He was laid off, got divorced, and his savings quickly disappeared. Bruce says that his low point came when he had completely lost his relationship with his then 10-year-old son and began experiencing serious health consequences because of his drinking that left the once athletic Marine walking with a cane.

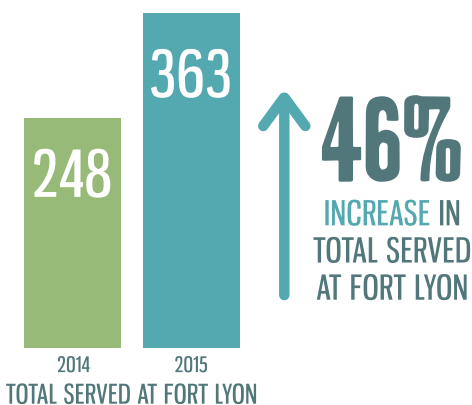
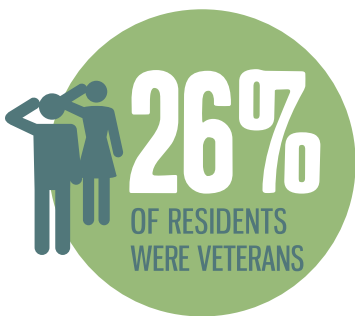
After eighteen months at the Fort Lyon Supportive Residential Community, Bruce has completed four semesters of his Associates of Applied Science with a 4.0 GPA. On top of his studies, Bruce has also been working in the campus mail room, teaching himself guitar, and restoring his relationship with his son. Bruce has been so successful at Fort Lyon that he now lives in one of the former officers' houses on campus with two peers.

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A very long time.”**

Bruce’s face softens when he speaks about his son, who recently came to visit him. “It’s the happiest I’ve been in a long time. A very long time.” Bruce says they watched football at the VFW and shot some pool. “He had a Shirley Temple and I had an ice water,” Bruce says with a smile. “I love him more than anything on this planet.”

Looking toward the future, Bruce says that professionally, “my ultimate goal is to run a nonprofit for addicted Veterans who are homeless.” But more importantly, “my goal after I leave is to [continue to] build a relationship with my son.”

## FORT LYON RESIDENTS



# Working Better Together

In August 2015, Mike\* had been referred to Sarah Turnbach, a Housing First intake coordinator, as a possible candidate for housing. Mike was eligible for a rapid rehousing opportunity made possible by a grant from the Colorado Division of Housing to serve extremely vulnerable, homeless individuals.

With no way to contact Mike, Sarah reached out to Sherry Adams, a case manager for the Street Outreach team, and asked her to help set up an appointment. Because of her long-standing relationship with Mike, Sherry not only made an appointment, but also introduced Sarah to Mike in person, making sure both were comfortable. “Sherry and the Outreach team have been consistent pillars for chronically homeless individuals to rely on, building trusting relationships through their work,” Sarah said.

Working together, Sherry and Sarah were able to locate Mike, collect the necessary paperwork, and accelerate him through the housing process. Within about a month, Mike had received a housing voucher and was moving into his new home. Now, he’s settled in and has even adopted a kitten.

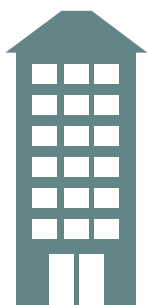
“It’s really humbling to know that people trust me enough to let me into their world.”

From August to December 2015, less than six months, the Coalition’s Housing First and Street Outreach teams worked together to house 130 chronically homeless individuals. Their work was truly a team effort within the Coalition and across partner organizations in the Denver metro area.

When the door of opportunity swung open, the two teams worked quickly and efficiently to help as many people into housing as possible. “It’s really humbling to know that people trust me enough to let me into their world. And, at the same time, it feels pretty amazing to know that all of our hard work paid off,” Sherry said.

This collaboration shows that with the right housing, sufficient resources, and a coordinated approach we are able to make a huge impact in a short amount of time—providing safe, stable homes for some of our most vulnerable clients.

*\*Name changed for privacy.*



2,051

TOTAL NUMBER OF  
HOUSEHOLDS HOUSED  
IN COALITION HOUSING UNITS



# Committed Partners

For as long as I can remember, my family's business has been at the same downtown location. I've watched Downtown Denver evolve to become a vibrant urban center, with businesses large and small, a wide range of recreation and nightlife, and home to people who love the urban lifestyle. The downtown core has also become "home" to many who have no place else to go.

Every day, I see the faces of homeless people sheltering in the alleyways and along the buildings in my business neighborhood. The tension is constant: I want to relieve the suffering of those experiencing homelessness, and as a business owner, I want my entry way to be clean and welcoming. Working with the Coalition is a way to work toward both these ends.

I joined the Board of the Coalition as one way to give back to my community and make a difference in the lives of our homeless neighbors. Homelessness is an incredibly complicated social issue, caused by so many different factors related to the individual, our community, and the nation. Responding to the needs of people experiencing homelessness, as well as to the needs of neighbors and businesses, requires innovative thinking and resources.

**"Supporting the Coalition makes good business sense."**

I donate and give my time to the Coalition because I believe this is the most comprehensive and effective way to invest in creating lasting solutions to homelessness. No other organization in this region connects resources to address homelessness on so many levels. As a national leader in providing healthcare to the homeless and one of the largest developers of affordable and supportive housing in the state, the Coalition is a driving force in the prevention of homelessness both in our state and across the country.

For me, supporting the Coalition makes good business sense, because we are working on solving one of our community's most pressing social problems while making Denver a better place to live and work for everyone.

*—A letter from Jynx Messacar, owner of Merchants Office Furniture and member of the Coalition's Board of Directors*



**95** VOLUNTEERS  
DONATED  
**8,055 HOURS**  
OF THEIR TIME IN 2015

# Leadership

## Leadership

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# AWARD WINNING HOUSING AND HEALTHCARE



2015 HOUSING COLORADO  
EAGLE AWARD  
RENAISSANCE STOUT STREET LOFTS

## 2015 MULTIFAMILY EXECUTIVE AWARD



AFFORDABLE, MERIT WINNER  
RENAISSANCE STOUT STREET LOFTS  
AND STOUT STREET HEALTH CENTER

## 2015 DOWNTOWN DENVER PARTNERSHIP AWARD FOR BEST NEW DEVELOPMENT



BEST NEW DEVELOPMENT  
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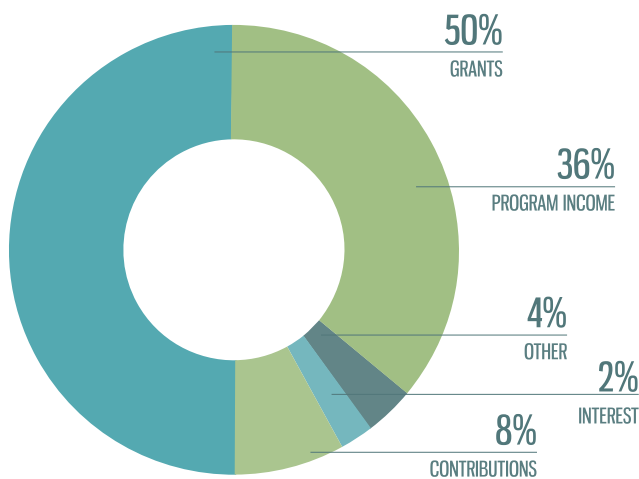
# 2015 Financial Highlights

Consolidated Statement of Activities: Year Ended December 31, 2015

Colorado Coalition for the Homeless  
 Renaissance Housing Development Corporation  
 Renaissance Property Management Corporation  
 Renaissance Pizza LLC  
 Stout Street Development Corporation

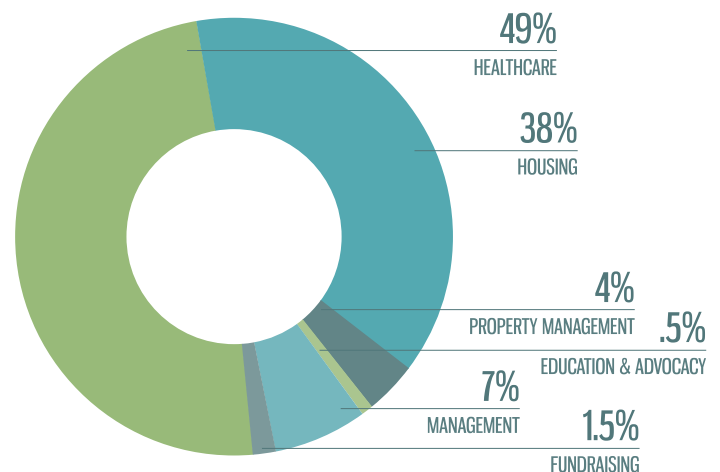
## Revenues

	2015
Private Contributions & Special Events	4,139,431
Federal, State & Municipal Grants	26,927,023
Program Income	19,417,940
Other	2,014,431
Interest	1,148,856
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>53,674,944</b>



## Expenses

	2015
<b>Program Services:</b>	
Health Care	25,505,682
Housing	19,625,994
Property Management Services	2,214,407
Statewide Education & Advocacy	263,839
<b>Total Programs</b>	<b>47,609,922</b>
<b>Supporting Services:</b>	
Management	3,906,086
Fundraising	819,666
<b>Total Support</b>	<b>4,725,752</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>52,335,674</b>



## Net Assets

	TOTAL
December 2014	34,797,125
December 2015	36,372,696
<b>Increase (decrease) in Net Assets</b>	<b>1,575,571</b>

**91.5%** of every donation funds the Coalition's programs & services





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Support the Colorado Coalition for the Homeless and help provide life-changing health care, housing, educational, and employment programs across Colorado. The Coalition, established in 1984, dedicates 91.5% of every dollar raised to client programs and services.



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