



Annual Report

July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025



Family Resource Center Association



Message from Our Board

One of my personal values is to always remain engaged with and to support the community in which I live and work. Serving as President of the Board for the Family Resource Center Association (FRCA) allows me that opportunity, by supporting an organization that provides our Member Centers working on the front lines with resources and funding so they can continue helping families meet their most critical needs, including access to food, stable housing, education, mental health resources, and other vital services.

FRCA's work inspires me deeply. Through a statewide network of Family Resource Centers, FRCA reaches thousands of families—meeting immediate needs and building long-term stability. Many families first connect through food distribution, especially as SNAP benefit changes and rising costs make daily life harder. Providing food meets a basic need and is often the first step in building trust and opening doors to lasting change.

From there, dedicated staff help families look beyond immediate challenges. They work side by side with parents to set goals that strengthen family stability. Using proven, compassionate approaches, like motivational interviewing, they help families build resilience, economic security, and confidence.

FRCA measures progress across 14 key areas tied to family well-being and five Protective Factors known to prevent child abuse and neglect. This data-driven approach ensures that every effort truly makes a difference.

Working with FRCA allows me to help those with some of the greatest needs in our community and gives me a profound sense of purpose. I'm proud of the work of FRCA and the Member Centers it supports—helping families thrive and communities grow stronger.



Jim Henderson
President,
Board of Directors



About Us

Our mission is to strengthen families through partnership and collaboration. The Family Resource Center Association supports the crucial network of Family Resource Centers across Colorado as they help families achieve their goals of resilience and stability. We provide trainings, data collection tools, peer connections and evaluation expertise to help local Family Resource Centers provide the highest-quality programs and services that help families thrive.

3 BIG IMPACTS IN FY2025

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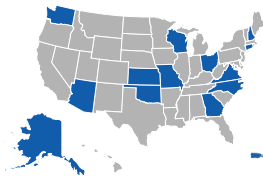
Strengthening Colorado Communities



30 members
serving 46 of 64
Colorado counties

2.

Expanding National Influence



14 states outside of Colorado
have implemented
FRCA's CFSA 2.0[®] tool

3.

Supporting Families Statewide



FRCA members served
9,924 individuals
in 7,476 families



Message from Our Executive Director

When people ask me why I've been a part of the Family Resource Center Association (FRCA) for the past sixteen years, I share that it's FRCA's creative approaches for solving complex problems that keeps the work fresh and exciting.

Our membership is built on strong relationships with Member Centers. FRCA understands their changing needs and responds by providing meaningful supports so Centers can be strong advocates for families in their communities. For example, this past year FRCA launched an Executive Director Advisory Group to learn which benefits and services are really meeting our member's needs and what is missing. Recommendations from that group resulted in the implementation of several changes, including a streamlined membership structure, a new Advocacy Committee, expanded trainings for Directors, and a goal for a more robust outcome evaluation report.

Looking forward, I'm energized by the progress we're making toward realizing our evaluation goal—creating a comprehensive data collection system that captures the impact of all our Member Centers, regardless of which database platform they use. For years, the diversity of data systems across our network has been our greatest evaluation challenge and we've struggled to tell the complete story of our shared impact. This breakthrough means we'll finally be able to demonstrate the full scope of Family Resource Centers' reach and effectiveness across Colorado.

FRCA also continues to be the home to other innovative projects like the Colorado Fatherhood Network, which supports father-inclusive approaches, as well as a pilot project to increase outreach and enrollment in food benefits in the Northwest corner of our state. These projects, along with the updates to membership, reflect the can-do spirit that embodies FRCA and continues to inspire me every day as we work to support families in need.



Mandy Watrous-Gale
Executive Director



Member Highlight

Literally and Figuratively Moving Families to Stability

Celebrating a member center's response to community need

Catholic Charities of Central Colorado's Hunt Family Housing project represents a powerful transformation—both of a historic building and of the families it will serve. Located in the former Helen Hunt Elementary School, a structure dating back to 1902, this transitional housing program will strengthen community and family stability by increasing the inventory of housing units available for low-income and vulnerable families. The Hunt Family Housing aims to help families move from crisis to stability.

Research shows that homelessness can leave long-lasting scars, but once families achieve safe, stable housing, those effects can be mitigated. Families selected through the El Paso County Continuum of Care Coordinated Entry process will have the opportunity to focus on other stabilizing factors, such as employment, health, savings, and raising thriving families. FRCA members toured the site in July, and the organization hosted partners from the Colorado Department of Early Childhood there in August, demonstrating the collaborative commitment to this vital community resource.



Ribbon-cutting for the new Hunt Family Housing
Colorado Springs, CO





1. The Action Center – Lakewood
2. Aurora Community Connection – Aurora
3. Bright Futures – Telluride
4. Broomfield FISH – Broomfield
5. Catholic Charities of Central Colorado – Colorado Springs
6. Catholic Charities of Southern Colorado – Pueblo
7. Community Partnership Family Resource Center – Woodland Park
8. The Cornerstone Resource Center – Lamar
9. Delta Family Center – Delta
10. Emergency Family Assistance Association (EFAA) – Boulder
11. Estes Valley Investment in Childhood Success (EVICS) – Estes Park
12. Families Forward Resource Center – Denver
13. The Family Center / La Familia – Fort Collins
14. Focus Points Family Resource Center – Denver
15. FRC of the Roaring Fork Valley School District – Carbondale
16. Health Solutions – Pueblo
17. Hilltop Community Resources – Grand Junction
18. Huerfano / Las Animas County Family Resource Center
19. La Plata Family Centers Coalition – Durango
20. Manna Resource Center – Highlands Ranch
21. Morgan County Family Center – Fort Morgan
22. Mountain Family Center – Granby
23. Outreach United Resource Center, Inc. (OUR Center) – Longmont
24. Pagosa Community Initiative – Pagosa Springs
25. The Pinon Project Family Resource Center – Cortez
26. Prairie Family Center – Burlington
27. Rural Communities Resource Center – Yuma
28. Sister Carmen Community Center – Lafayette
29. Tri County Family Care Center – Rocky Ford
30. West End Family Link Center – Nucla



Expanded Impact

After many years of data collection and independent outcome evaluations, FRCA's family development tool, the Colorado Family Support Assessment 2.0 ©, was added to the California Evidence Based Clearinghouse as a demonstrated outcome tool for working with families.

With this new designation, our Members and other organizations implementing this tool are assured that families will have positive outcomes over time. FRCA provides the initial tool training and on-going supports to navigators throughout Colorado and across the nation, including 14 other states and Puerto Rico.



FRCA members tour of Community Partnership Family Resource Center during the July Member Meeting

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Mountain Family Center has been a member of the Family Resource Center Association (FRCA) since 2000. In our 25-year relationship with FRCA, they have provided countless hours of support through grant partnerships, leadership training and advocacy.

We would not be able to provide the level of care to our community members without the guidance and support from the Family Resource Center Association.

Stacy Starr, Executive Director and President
Mountain Family Center, Granby, CO

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Other Initiatives

Supporting Practitioners to Lift Up Dads through Education and Connection



Throughout FY25, the Colorado Fatherhood Network (CFN) brought practitioners together through 12 statewide events—including five peer learning sessions, three webinars, and four convenings—reaching over 200 participants. The topics covered ranged from

fatherhood involvement in the judicial systems, financial health, protective factors, digital safety, and strengthening father engagement in program service delivery across the state.

In addition, the CFN engaged Colorado practitioners through its leadership structure with two active committees: the Dads at the Table Committee and the Resources & Services Committee. At the same time, its Leadership Committee met monthly to advance strategic goals and broaden the network's reach.

This year marked significant milestones as the CFN gained national and statewide recognition through the White House Council on Boys and Men, Kenneth Braswell's podcast *I Am Dad* in December 2024, and a feature on Colorado Public Radio's *Colorado Matters* program "Restoring, Rebuilding and Reimagining Fatherhood" in June 2025.

FRCA celebrates the CFN's growing influence in advancing father engagement and supporting families across Colorado.

Addressing food security in Northwest Colorado

FRCA recognizes SNAP food benefits as a tool for promoting well-being and economic growth for Colorado families and our state. FRCA proudly partnered with Hunger Free Colorado to launch a new program in the northwest region of Colorado aimed at supporting awareness and enrollment in SNAP benefits. Since January 2025, FRCA staff met with and presented to over 200 community partners and individuals in northwest Colorado, helping families in the region gain more access to food.

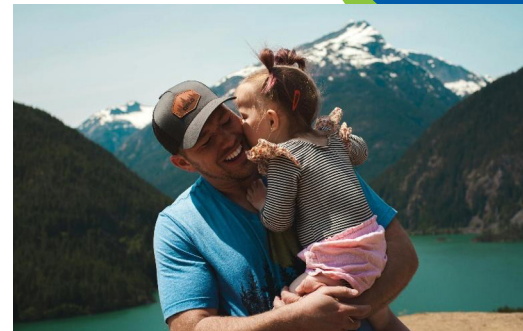


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FRCA Food Security Manager, Madi Zuniga-Rubio, conducting mobile outreach in Rangely, Meeker, and Craig, CO.



Partners in Our Mission

The Board of Directors and staff express our appreciation to the donors, funders, and partner organizations who supported FRCA this past year.

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FRCA membership has been a lifeline for **Pagosa Community Initiative**, offering the structure, mentorship, and guidance needed as we gained a new Executive Director and suffered the loss of our Family Services Director. The invaluable trainings and resources have not only supported growth but have also empowered our entire team to better serve our community.

Thanks to the FRCA, our family resource center is thriving, and we feel more equipped than ever to make a meaningful impact in the lives of the families we serve.

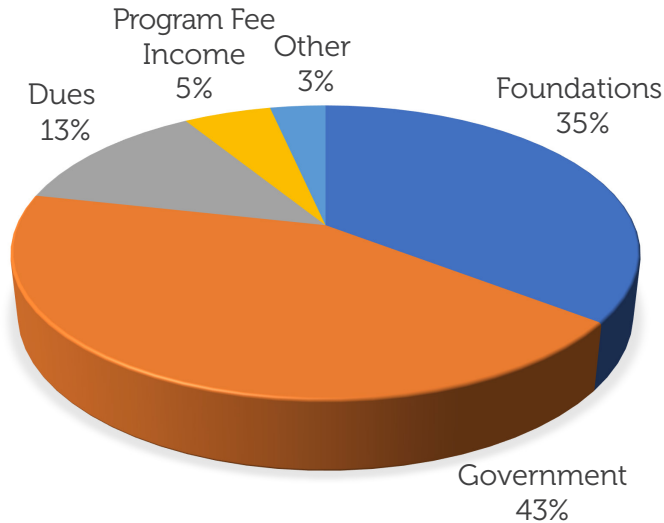
Rebecca Tenpenny, Executive Director
Pagosa Community Initiative, Pagosa Springs, CO

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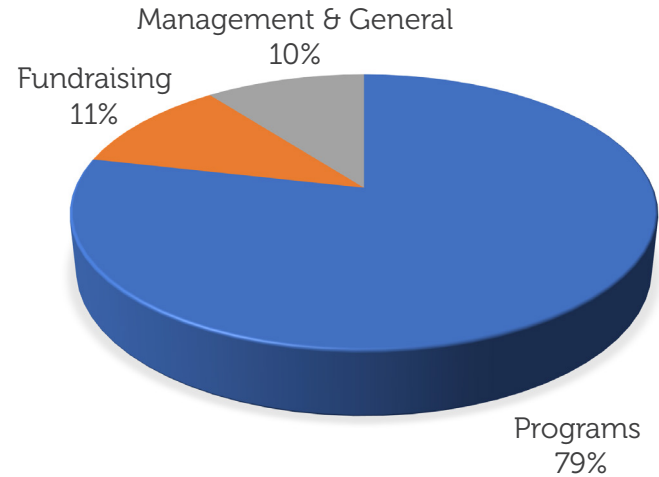


Financial Statements - Fiscal Year 2025

Sources of Revenue



Use of Funds



Financial Summary

Total Revenue	\$ 1,736,215.00
Total Expenses	\$ 1,611,716.00
Change in Net Assets	\$ 124,499.00



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Being a member of the Family Resource Center Association has been important to **Sister Carmen Community Center** for the opportunities to collaborate and share information with other member centers across the state. Over the years, we have also been able to work alongside FRCA staff to develop tools and participate in studies to help improve how we work with the families we serve. Together, we are all giving Colorado families the support they need to thrive.

Suzanne Crawford, President and CEO
Sister Carmen Community Center, Lafayette, CO

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