

# Children's Literacy Center™

*Building a life of success through a foundation of  
literacy... ONE child at a time.*

## 2020-2021 Annual Report



**2928 Straus Lane, STE 100  
Colorado Springs, CO 80907**



[www.childrensliteracycenter.org](http://www.childrensliteracycenter.org)

# Message From The Executive Director

As the new reality settles in, Children's Literacy Center is not alone in the need to continually adjust and envision different paths to maintain one's mission. The toll that last year's virtual learning had on our most vulnerable students has been devastating and CLC is addressing this overwhelming need with vigor and resolve. CLC will always provide safe and secure tutoring environments and last year this meant renting spaces with larger capacities, tutoring less students at one time, following health and safety protocols and providing individual curricula for each student. As the new school year begins, CLC is rapidly expanding available tutoring sites, changing our business model to help schools and parents with transportation issues, and assigning a new Director of Education to quickly ramp up CLC's accessibility to every district.

The fiscal year of 2020-2021 was fortunately stable and shows no signs of changing, but steps are being taken to insure continued stability while expanding critical services. Southern Colorado has grown their tutoring sites with a new rural site in Fort Morgan set to begin this fall. So again, CLC is strongly positioned to respond to the world's unique challenges and support the belief that "it is easier to build strong children than to fix broken men" Frederick Douglass



"I am very pleased with the growth that both girls have made with reading. Now, they are excited to come home and read. The more confident they are with their reading skills, the more willing they are to read to me."

**- Parent of 1st grade student, La Junta Literacy Project**

"Your tutoring sessions have helped Amy speak English more fluently, and she is even doing better on tests in school."

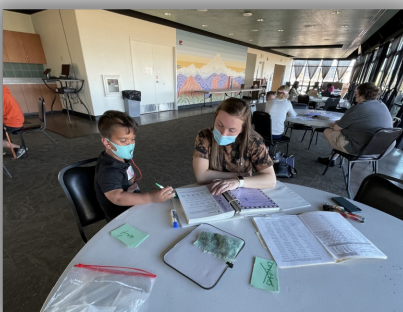
**-Parent, Harvest Church**



Mason is a 4th grade Woodland Park student that began with CLC in the fall of 2020. He worked diligently under the direction of his tutor, and they formed a positive relationship.

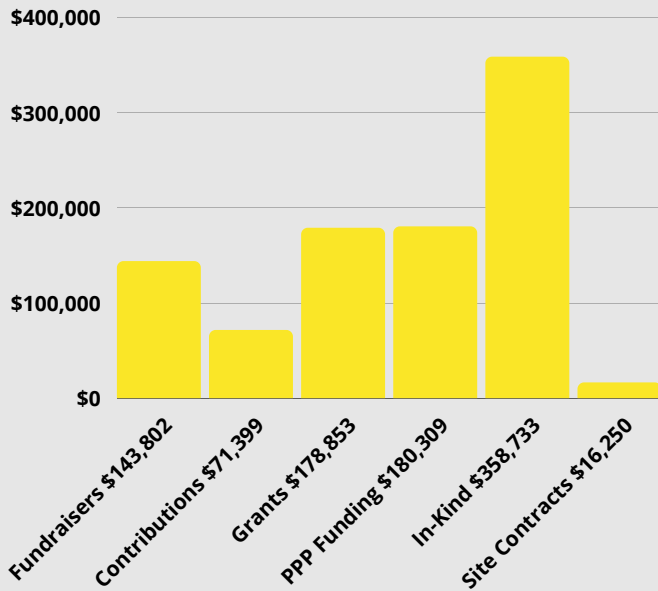
"At post testing in April 2021 results showed that Mason grew exponentially. He jumped from 2nd grade level to completing his 4th grade level in both word recognition and paragraph reading/comprehension."

**- Parent, Woodland Park**

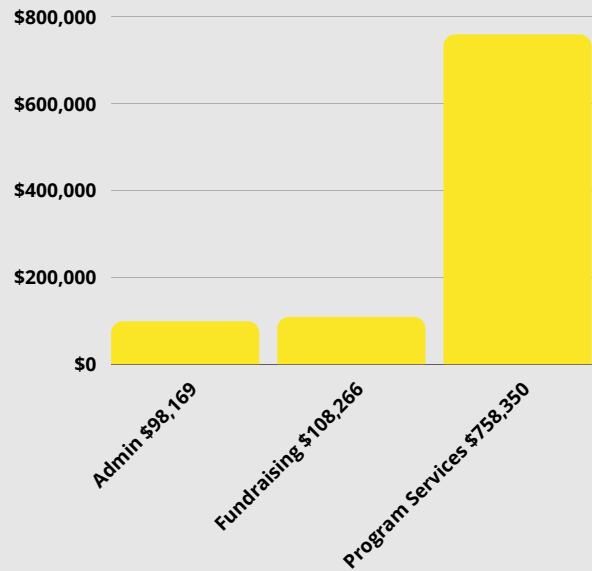


# 2020 Financial Summary

## Total Revenue \$949,346



## Total Expenses \$964,785



## 2020 Notable Achievements

- Successfully offered 6-4 week tutoring sessions during the summer of 2020
- Recruited and trained 198 volunteers
- Tutors completed 5,125 volunteer hours
- Tutored 193 underperforming students using the Peak Reader Curriculum
- Expanded rural tutoring program in Manzanola
- Opened 4 new tutoring sites in the Pikes Peak Region and 2 in the Denver Metro area

## Moving into the 2021- 2022 School Year

As CLC moves forward in this historical time, it is critical to supplement the immense amounts of skills lost during multiple school closures and interrupted online schooling. CLC will hire an Education Director to cultivate relationships with school district personnel, increase student enrollment, hire and supervise a core of paid part-time tutors, and build relationships with political representatives to develop awareness and support of CLC's tutoring program. CLC's leadership is determined to increase the reach of programming throughout Colorado.

### Board Members

Doug Groninger – President  
 Peggy Carmack – Vice President  
 Pam Feilmeier – Treasurer  
 Jackie Gonzalez – Secretary  
 Andrea Baldrice  
 Patty Deeny  
 Charlie Dunn  
 Stephanie Edwards  
 Colt Haugen  
 Tim Hershberger  
 Crista Muchmore  
 Lois Page  
 Joan Selman

### Advisory Board

Mike Bell  
 Valerie Hollenbeck  
 Sue Mulvihill  
 Bob Smith  
 Michelle Talarico

# OUR GENEROUS PARTNERS AND SPONSORS MAKE THE MISSION POSSIBLE

Dean Foundation

The William and Betty Osborne Trust Fund

Nutrition Camp Foundation Inc.

The Monument Hill Foundation

Pikes Peak Area Rotary Endowment



Banning Lewis Ranch  
Academy Foundation



NORWOOD

