

Children's Literacy Center Annual Report 2017-2018







Message from the Executive Director

As Children's Literacy Center concludes its 25th year of service in Colorado, we strongly believe the sentiment by Lyndon Baines Johnson, "A book is the most effective weapon against intolerance and ignorance".

I am sure you share my gratitude and appreciation for the more than 20,000 hours our 600 volunteers have provided to maintain a 95 percent success rate in improving reading rates in our communities.

CLC mission's of "building a life of success through a foundation of literacy...ONE child at a time" remains solid. CLC is as committed now as it was 25 years ago and continues to work towards the goal of empowering all children with the reading and writing skills necessary to become successful in school and life.

Tutti mille grazie,



Gina Solazzi

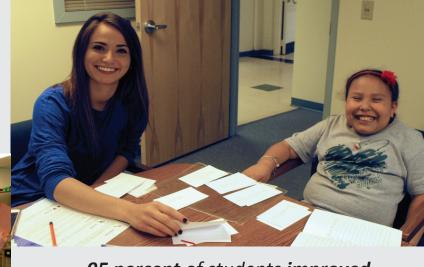


Celebrating *25 years* of providing *free* tutoring in Colorado

Volunteer tutors provided **20,742** hours of tutoring, valued at **\$1,307,992** for **13 sites** in Aurora, Colorado Springs, Denver, Fountain, Monument, Pueblo, and Woodland Park

Thank you for the party of the

Together, we served **575 students** that were reading below grade level



95 percent of students **improved** reading comprehension

Our Generous Partners and Sponsors Make Everything Possible

Banning Lewis Ranch Schools Foundation

Dean Foundation

Nutrition Camp School Foundation Inc

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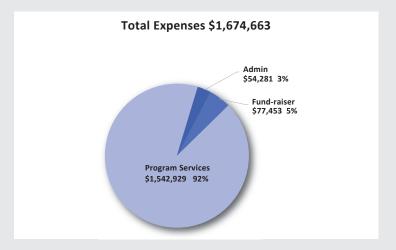
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Financial Summary

Through hard work, dedication, and an array of passionate volunteers, CLC remained committed to "building a life of success through a foundation of literacy...ONE child at a time" by continuing to expand, build and retain partnerships while maintaining the excellence to serve the youth of our community.

Children's Literacy Center is proud that 92% of budget goes directly to programs!





^{*}Year-end audited financial statements were audited by Osborne, Parsons & Rosacker, LLP and are available upon request.

2017 Notable Achievements

- Children's Literacy Center operated 13 tutoring sites serving Aurora, Colorado Springs, Denver, Fountain, Monument, Pueblo, and Woodland Park
- Hosted 2nd Annual Literacy Circle event to recognize and thank individuals who believe and invest in CLC's mission
- Celebrated First Annual Literacy Week at tutoring sites across Colorado
- Hosted the 21st Annual Vintner Dinner at the Broadmoor Hotel with record attendance and fundraising
- Received a five year grant from Adolph Coors Foundation to provide programming in La Junta, Colorado
- Partnered with University of Colorado Denver Graduate Program to collect data on La Junta participants

Moving into the 2018-2019 School Year

CLC's strategic plan is to expand services to reach students in rural communities where the need is great for additional literacy support. CLC will continue to collaborate and build community partnerships in order to increase sustainability for the future.