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Delta Dental of Colorado Foundation Provides Grants to 34 Nonprofit Organizations

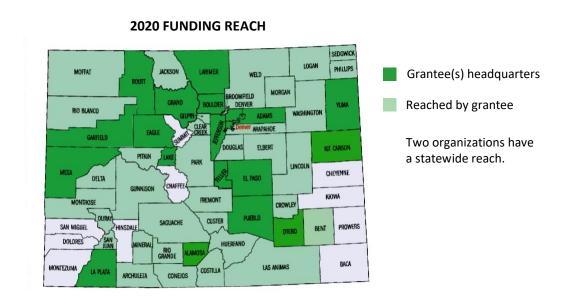
Investment of \$2 million supports organizations across the state providing support services to community members most impacted by COVID-19.

DENVER – Delta Dental of Colorado Foundation (DDCOF) is providing \$2 million in funding this year to 34 Colorado nonprofit organizations, reaching 95,000 Coloradans. These organizations connect people most significantly impacted by the effects of COVID-19 to health care services and resources such as food and housing assistance. The projects that were funded utilize multiple components of community outreach and delivery of basic needs, navigation services, coordination of benefits and coverage, and connection to other critical resources.

Traditionally, DDCOF has partnered with communities to reimagine how they can access, benefit from, and value the importance of oral health care. This year, the foundation is responding to the effects of COVID-19 by shifting its funding strategy to prioritize accessible care and vital services for those disproportionally impacted by the pandemic.

"Now more than ever, we value the importance of one's overall health," said Adeeb Khan, vice president of corporate social responsibility & executive director, Delta Dental of Colorado Foundation. "We believe services that address basic needs are vital to healthy communities. Coordinated, collaborative wraparound services with multiple options truly empower community members to access and navigate larger systems that impact their health."

Organizations receiving funding are listed on the following pages.





The newly funded organizations and their projects include:

- <u>Almost Home, Inc.</u> Support case management services, shelter plumbing repairs, and financial assistance for households otherwise ineligible for other traditional assistance.
- <u>Atlas Preparatory School, Inc.</u> Provide students and their families wraparound, community-based services within the school setting.
- <u>Aurora Community Connection</u> Engage and enroll immigrant/undocumented community members in services including health insurance, SNAP, affordable housing, and food banks.
- Boys & Girls Clubs of the San Luis Valley Provide activities in an educational and mentoring space along with case management and service supports and referrals for families.
- <u>Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pueblo</u> Connect families with health care services, SNAP benefits, rent/utility assistance, access to food and diapers, and meet basic needs.
- <u>Mile High Health Alliance</u> Expand mobile health van and health outreach events, providing services, education, and prevention screenings through partnerships.
- <u>Community Partnership Family Resource Center</u> Connect community members to healthcare, food, housing and basic needs assistance, parenting education, and job assistance.
- <u>Community Partnership for Child Development</u> Provide quality, no-cost early childhood education and medical, dental, behavioral health, and family support services to 1,700 children in 60 classrooms across El Paso County.
- <u>Denver Rescue Mission</u> Support the increased demand for need for programs and services that provide immediate assistance to individuals within the Denver metro and Front Range area.
- <u>Eagle Valley Community Foundation</u> Support mobile resource center traveling to under-served neighborhoods to connect residents to basic needs and to health and dental services.
- <u>Emergency Family Assistance Association</u> <u>Enroll low-income</u> and minority families affected by COVID-19 in health care, support needed medical, dental, and vision procedures, and provide access to food.
- <u>Family Resource Center of the Roaring Fork Schools</u> Provide wraparound services such as food assistance, rental/housing financial assistance, and navigation support for programs like WIC and SNAP.
- <u>Focus Points Family Resource Center</u> Support the workforce development program, COMAL Food Incubator education program, early childhood education, and parenting classes, and partnerships for food access will serve almost 2,500 residents in five counties.
- <u>Full Circle of Lake County, Inc.</u> Develop a resource center to provide case management to help families navigate systems and access resources, including financial assistance, food, health care, and education.
- Grand County Rural Health Network Adapt and expand wraparound supports for the community in response to the impact of COVID-19 in Grand and Jackson counties.
- Growing Home Inc. Support the needs of primarily low-income families living in poverty for long-term stabilization by providing them food and housing resources (rent/mortgage assistance) and systems navigation for help enrolling in CHP or Medicaid.
- <u>Homeward Alliance</u> Hire a resource navigator to help address the unmet health needs of the homeless in Larimer county by connecting people to medical and dental homes and other support services.
- HomewardBound of the Grand Valley, Inc. Provide food, job, and education assistance, housing
 assistance and stability, and health care enrollment and care connection to shelter residents and
 community members.
- <u>Hope Communities</u> Support a resource navigator to provide language-appropriate assistance in applying for emergency funds like medical bills, food, rent, utilities, health care, unemployment, and renewal of refugee status.
- <u>La Plata Family Centers Coalition</u> Aid individuals in accessing resources, referrals, advocacy, and navigation services in rural Southwest Colorado.



- <u>La Puente Home, Inc.</u> Support emergency shelter, 15 food pantries, housing support services, afterschool youth-stabilization services (educational gardens), homeless prevention resources, soup kitchen meals, home outreach visits, and more.
- <u>Lift Up of Routt County</u> Provide wraparound services throughout Routt County to include food bank, rental and housing assistance and financial support for medical bills, to include dental.
- <u>Mile High United Way</u> Create dental-care kits that will be tailored for Bridging the Gap families, including a children's book and toothbrushing timer to encourage children to brush for two minutes.
- <u>Mountain Resource Center</u> Provide services that include financial assistance for emergency medical needs, government benefits education and application assistance.
- Newborn Hope, Inc. Grow and expand the Preemie Family Assistance Fund for living expenses such as rent, utilities, therapies, medications, supplemental nutrition, adaptive equipment, and dental need.
- Outreach United Resource Center, Inc. Support a surge in requests for assistance due to COVID-19 for basic needs such as rent assistance and food distribution. Many clients have special needs such as mental illness, substance abuse, and disabilities.
- <u>Prairie Family Center</u> Provide parent education and screening, food, rental, utilities and emergency
 assistance. They also provide housewares and clothing for those in need and application assistance for
 safety net programs.
- <u>Regional Home Visitation Program (Baby Bear Hugs)</u> Provide parenting education and support and connection to resources that help stabilize and improve health and well-being for immigrant, undocumented, isolated, and low-income families.
- San Juan Basin Public Health Support a care navigator that connect clients with food (WIC), health care enrollment and health literacy, family support services, and housing assistance.
- <u>Somali American Community Center of Colorado</u> Provide wraparound services to a clientele that, due to COVID-19, is majority unemployed. Virtually connecting with clients faces additional barriers, so they are providing many services in-person by appointment.
- <u>The Family Center/La Familia</u> Begin creating an immigrant community resource center including access to benefits, health care services, housing assistance, childcare, parenting support, transportation, adult education, and workforce training.
- <u>The Gathering Place: A Refuge for Rebuilding Lives</u> Provides wraparound services and supports
 including physical, behavioral, and dental health care, housing assistance, insurance and benefits
 enrollment support, education programming, and job readiness assistance.
- <u>Tri-County Family Care Center, Inc.</u> Provide access to food, housing assistance, parenting classes, job training, and health care enrollment services in three rural counties in Southeast Colorado.
- <u>Valley Settlement</u> Provide direct financial assistance and programming to immigrant families living in the Parachute to Aspen region not eligible for traditional forms of assistance who have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

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About Delta Dental of Colorado Foundation

Delta Dental of Colorado Foundation believes every person can have a healthy mouth regardless of life circumstances. By partnering with communities, the Foundation works to re-imagine how all of our neighbors access, benefit from, and value the importance of oral health care. As a 501(c)(3) organization funded by the nonprofit Delta Dental of Colorado, the Foundation intends to advance oral health equity throughout local communities across Colorado by implementing transformative programs and initiatives. To learn more about Delta Dental of Colorado Foundation, visit www.deltadentalcofoundation.org.