Dear Friends,

This past fiscal year marked a time of progress for our state, bringing us one day closer to when all Coloradans, regardless of age, background or zip code, have access to healthy, affordable food.

In this report you will find a snapshot of our work in 2015 and its impact on creating a better future for all Coloradans. Some of the year’s highlights include:

• **Helping more Coloradans access needed food resources** like food stamps, food pantries and meal sites, thanks to our statewide hotline, mobile outreach services, community partnerships and statewide collaborations

• **Launching new partnerships and expanding existing partnerships with healthcare providers** to connect more Colorado patients with nutritious food to fuel better, healthier lives

• **Celebrating the successes of the Colorado Campaign to End Childhood Hunger and enactment of the Colorado Charitable Crop Donation Act**, both of which will have lasting impacts on lives, communities and our state’s economic health

• **Raising awareness and action** via the expansion of Hunger Through My Lens, our annual Hungry for Change Summit, local and national news coverage, and an online action network

These are only a few examples of what’s been accomplished in 2015 through innovation, collaboration, partnerships and the power of community. I encourage you to visit HungerFreeColorado.org for a complete look at our organizational efforts to ensure no Coloradan goes hungry.

None of these achievements would have been possible without the support and action of community partners and members across the state like you. **Thanks to all who contributed to these substantial strides in creating a better future for all of us.**

While our state has come so far, there still remains much work to be done. We look forward to your support in 2016 and beyond, as we reach more milestones—advancing policies, streamlining systems and fueling changes within our communities. By continuing to work together we can ensure all Coloradans have enough healthy food to thrive and reach their potential.

Sincerely,

Kathy Underhill
2015 KEY IMPACTS

CONNECTING TO FOOD RESOURCES

11,876 Coloradans connected to food resources via our statewide hotline and mobile services, thanks to more than 1,140 community resources. Nearly 33,620 Colorado households have received food assistance since 2011.

33,620 HOUSEHOLDS

1,140 FOOD RESOURCES

498,959 Eligible Coloradans participated in food stamps, a program that helps struggling families purchase groceries.
29,297,541 breakfasts served in 1,389 participating Colorado schools during the 2014-15 school year. The 62% increase compared to 2009, in large part, can be contributed to many districts and schools offering breakfast after the school day begins.ii

29,297,541 BREAKFASTS

NEARLY 1.5 MILLION SUMMER MEALS

1,499,621 summer meals provided to Colorado kids and teens in 2014, a 95% increase compared to 2009, thanks to an ongoing statewide collaborative effort.iii

i Colorado Department of Human Services, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program participation data
ii Colorado Department of Education, School Breakfast Program data
iii Colorado Department of Education, Summer Food Service Program data
The successes of the Colorado Campaign to End Childhood Hunger were celebrated at the Governor’s Mansion in February 2015. The statewide Campaign, which was a direct result of partnership and collaboration, not only achieved but exceeded many of the 10 goals set forth in the five-year plan, including substantial increases in school breakfast and summer meal participation. Thanks to the commitment and action of organizations and communities across Colorado, more children now have sustainable access to needed nutrition.

Hunger Through My Lens, the Colorado-based photovoice advocacy project led by real-life experts, began its expansion to other regions of the state, with “sister sites” in the San Luis Valley and the Roaring Fork Valley, to shed light on what hunger looks like across Colorado and how it impacts rural and mountain town communities. Project participants also shared their stories and experiences via a traveling photo exhibit, speaking engagements and national outlets such as TalkPoverty.org.

The Colorado Charitable Crop Donation Act was enacted in January 2015, with support from food banks and pantries, Hunger Free Colorado, local producers and other key partners. The new state tax credit boosts local, fresh-food donations and also provides struggling Colorado families with additional access to fresh fruit, vegetables, dairy products and meat products.

We continued to elevate the prevalence, impacts and solutions surrounding hunger via platforms like our annual Hungry for Change Summit, the National Commission on Hunger and news outlets across Colorado.

The Full Pantries, Full Lives Leadership Institute, a two-year project launched in April 2014, continued to support a cohort of Colorado food pantry leaders in sharing knowledge, developing skills, deepening connections and leading innovative efforts to create a system and experience that best serves those impacted by hunger.
FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

FISCAL YEAR 2015
July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015

BUDGET

Total Revenue $2,057,735
Total Expenses $1,284,441

REVENUE BY SOURCE

- Contributions and grants $1,814,041
- Government funding $216,497
- In-kind $16,186
- Other income $11,011

EXPENSE BY TYPE

- Programs $1,160,376
- Administrative $64,216
- Fundraising $59,849
Hunger Free Colorado is grateful for the support of corporations, foundations and individual donors, who are deeply committed to helping us eradicate hunger in Colorado. Thank you to the following supporters for making a financial contribution to Hunger Free Colorado between July 1, 2014, and June 30, 2015:

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The Denver Foundation
Food Research & Action Center

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Hunger Free Colorado, a statewide nonprofit organization launched in 2009, connects families and individuals to food resources and fuels change in policies, systems and social views, so no Coloradan goes hungry.

LET’S CONTINUE TO MAKE PROGRESS TOGETHER, BECAUSE NO COLORADAN DESERVES TO GO HUNGRY.

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