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### CCLP: Colorado's Powerhouse for the Poor

For fifteen years, the Colorado Center on Law and Policy has worked hard, with notable success, to enhance justice and economic security for low-income Coloradans. CCLP has been the premier organization conducting research, advocating, educating and, if required, litigating on behalf of low-income Coloradans.

Since it began, CCLP has excelled in legislative advocacy. CCLP has been instrumental in the passage of much legislation enhancing economic security, from raising basic cash assistance grants for Colorado Works recipients by 20 percent after two decades with no increase to protecting and expanding Medicaid services and eligibility for vulnerable Coloradans. CCLP also led the advocates' charge for the elimination of special tax credits and exemptions to help raise revenues during the heart of the great recession, thereby protecting K-12 and other important funding from more extreme cuts. CCLP was a major force in the establishment of the Colorado Health Benefit Exchange (now called Connect for Health Colorado) and has been the lead stakeholder advocating evidence-based policy before the legislature's Economic Opportunity and Poverty Reduction Task Force.

CCLP's research and publications have been invaluable resources to opinion leaders and decision-makers. Among many other things, CCLP publishes two powerful data-driven reports: The Self-Sufficiency Standard for Colorado and State of Working Colorado.

Over a decade and a half, CCLP has also secured major legal victories, from establishing a constitutional right to notice for welfare recipients facing loss of benefits to challenging the failed implementation of the Colorado Benefits Management System.

Highlights of CCLP's work in 2012 include close engagement with the Colorado health benefits exchange. CCLP served as a powerful consumer advocate in the development of the Connect for Health Colorado insurance marketplace. CCLP also originated and led the coalition that supported passage of the bill establishing the Hospital Payment Assistance Program. That program requires hospitals to distribute information about their charity care policies and offer discount programs to any uninsured Coloradans under 250 percent of the Federal Poverty Level.

CCLP also focused on coalition building in order to more effectively advance our family economic security agenda. For example, CCLP convenes Skills2Compete Colorado, a coalition of unusual suspects that advocates for policies promoting middle-skill jobs. The Skills2Compete coalition was instrumental in the 2012 passage of the Skills for Jobs Act, an innovative bill designed to align Colorado's education and training opportunities with well-paying jobs in demand and reduce the state's skills gap.

CCLP has cemented its place, and looks forward to its future, as a powerhouse for the poor.



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Year ended Dec. 31, 2012

| SUPPORT AND REVENUE                   | UNRESTRICTED | TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED | TOTAL     |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------|
| Contributions                         | \$302,036    | \$543,028              | \$845,064 |
| In-kind contributions                 | \$17,355     | -                      | \$17,355  |
| Dividend and interest income          | \$218        | -                      | \$218     |
| Other income                          | \$5,470      | -                      | \$5,470   |
| Program revenue                       | \$5,477      | -                      | \$5,477   |
| Net assets released from restrictions | \$1,099,863  | (\$1,099,863)          |           |
| TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE             | \$1,430,419  | (\$556,835)            | \$873,584 |

| Expenses                         | UNRESTRICTED | TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED | TOTAL     |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------|
| Family Economic Security Program | \$242,472    | -                      | \$242,472 |
| Health Care Program              | \$402,472    | -                      | \$402,472 |
| Management and general           | \$210,791    | -                      | \$210,791 |
| Fundraising                      | \$115,723    | -                      | \$115,723 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES                   | \$971,848    | -                      | \$971,848 |

| CHANGE IN ASSETS   | UNRESTRICTED | TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED | TOTAL       |
|--|--------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Increase (decrease) in net assets before discontinued operations | \$458,571    | \$556,835              | \$98,264    |
| Discontinued operations — contributions (COFPI)                  | -            | \$317,601              | \$317,601   |
| Discontinued operations — program expenses (COFPI)               | (\$514,985)  | -                      | (\$514,985) |
| Increase (decrease) in net assets                                | (\$56,414)   | (\$239,234)            | (\$295,648) |
| Net assets beginning of year                                     | \$502,986    | \$339,943              | \$842,929   |

## CCLP's complete $\underline{2012}$ financial $\underline{audit}$ can be found online at cclponline.org.

\$446,572

\$100,709

\$547,281

NET ASSETS END OF YEAR

## **CCLP** current staff

- Christine Murphy, Executive Director
- Elisabeth Arenales, Health
   Care Program Director
- Terry Scanlon, Public Affairs Manager
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## About CCLP

The Colorado Center on Law and Policy provides policymakers, opinion leaders, nonprofit organizations and the general public with research and education about issues of importance to lower-income Coloradans; we advocate in the legislature and before executive decision makers on behalf of those issues, and we litigate them when necessary.