

*Scottish Rite Foundation
of Colorado*



2016 Clinic Highlights

HELPING CHILDREN COMMUNICATE





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to our faithful and loyal supporters**

Sovereign Grand Inspector General
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Scottish Rite Foundation of Colorado

The Honorable
Stephen M. Munsinger, 33^o

March 2017

I am pleased to present the 2016 Clinic Highlights Report. It illustrates how your generosity is being put to work in helping children – and their families – with speech, language, and learning challenges.

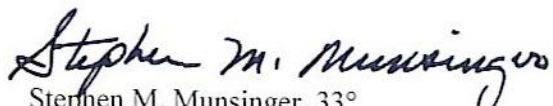
In 2016 we completed the Promise to Care fundraising campaign which generated \$1.3 million. More than 1,300 gifts were received during the course of this two-year campaign.

The Board of Trustees, the Kelley Family/Schlessman Family Scottish Masons' Chair in Childhood Language Disorders, and the Executive Secretary are deeply appreciative for your support.

- Thanks to you, our donors and supporters, your generosity has opened doors of opportunity and hope for many families of children with speech and language challenges.
- Thanks to you, we have strengthened support for the delivery of RiteCare services beyond the traditional clinic setting such as for telepractice, our specialized camp programs, and our unique and highly successful early language and literacy programs.
- Thanks to you, we have bolstered our graduate scholarship fund enabling us to continue helping our outstanding speech pathology graduate students at CU-Boulder and UNC in meeting the high and continually escalating costs of graduate education.
- And thanks to you, we were able to provide complimentary registration enabling 74 professionals in our Colorado RiteCare programs to participate in the biennial National RiteCare Professional Education Conference held in Denver.

These accomplishments are the result of our collective effort. As such, we're helping children communicate. As our Scottish Rite ritual teaches: *we're doing right because it is right.*

With gratitude,


Stephen M. Munsinger, 33^o
Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Colorado



2016 Recipients of the Foundation's RiteCare \$5,000 Scholarship
Executive Secretary V. Ingraham, Endowed Chair Dr. D. Hayes, Professors, and Trustee R. Gregory
Professors: Dr. Kim. Murza (UNC), Dr. Anne Whitney (CU), Dr. Neeraja Sadagopan (CU),
Dr. Pui Fong Kan (CU), and Dr. Anu Sharma (CU)

The Scottish Rite Foundation of Colorado was established in 1953 by Scottish Rite Masons in Denver, Colorado as a not-for-profit corporation. The Foundation is approved by the Internal Revenue Service as an IRS Code Section 501(c)(3) public charity. The IRS approval letter, issued in 1954, was reissued in August 2006 by request of the Foundation.

Our Mission

The mission of the Scottish Rite Foundation of Colorado is to enhance the quality of life for Colorado's children and their families by supporting high quality, collaborative programs for the prevention and treatment of childhood language disorders.

We provide sustaining grants to partner programs that offer speech, language, and learning therapy for children, parent education, and/or family and community language and literacy enrichment programs.

We support student and professional education and training in prevention and treatment of childhood language disorders.

Our Vision

The vision of the Scottish Rite Foundation of Colorado is that all Colorado children with speech-language disorders will have the opportunity to receive treatment and care.





WHAT WE DID IN 2016

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RiteCare Service Profile

- ▶ \$38 million spent on speech-language services between 1953 and 2016 - \$991,000 in 2016
- ▶ 20 Colorado communities served by 9 RiteCare Partners in 2016
- ▶ 19,567 children served to date – 828 children in 2016
- ▶ 58 graduate scholarships totaling \$290,000 awarded since 2003 – 6 scholarships in 2016
- ▶ Overhead Rate averaged 3% over past 3 years



CHILDREN SERVED IN 2016

Denver and North/Northeast	373
Colorado Springs & South/Southeast	63
Grand Junction & West/Southwest	<u>392</u>
Total Children Served	<u>828</u>

Services Provided by Each Clinic

Individual Speech Therapy
Group Speech Therapy
Early Language & Speech Development
Parent Education
Outreach to the Local Community

RiteCare Clinic and **Early Language & Literacy Partners** active in 2016

Children's Hospital Colorado (Denver Metro – Aurora, Broomfield, Highlands Ranch, Parker – Colorado Springs, Pueblo) *Children's Speech & Reading Center (Fort Collins & Loveland)*
St. Mary's Life Center (Grand Junction) *Montrose Memorial Hospital (Montrose & Delta)*
Gunnison Valley Hospital (Gunnison)
University of Colorado – Boulder *University of Northern Colorado (Greeley)*
The Piñon Project (Cortez, Mancos, Dolores, Dove Creek, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe Head Start)
Rocky Mountain SER Head Start (Grand Junction)

The Scottish Rite Foundation of Colorado completed 64 years of service in February 2017

Children Served 1953-2016

Recap of RiteCare Children Served in Colorado				
Partner	Geographic Area of Colorado	First Year of Active Partnership	Children Served Since Partnership Inception	Children Served in 2016
Clinic Programs – Service Area: Denver Metro, North, and Northeast Colorado				
Children’s Hospital Colorado – Aurora	Denver Metro Area	1953	11,167	228
Children’s Speech & Reading Center – Fort Collins	North	1998	1,171	111
University of Northern Colorado – Greeley	North	2001	162	5
Sterling Regional MedCenter – Sterling	Northeast	2006	21	0
University of Colorado – Boulder	North	2007	436	29
Total Children Served in Service Area			12,957	373
Clinic Programs – Service Area: South and Southeast Colorado				
Children’s Hospital Colorado Therapy Center – Pueblo (clinic operation assumed by Children’s Hospital Colorado in 2001)	South	1987	928	35
Children’s Hospital Colorado at Memorial Hospital – Colorado Springs (clinic operation assumed by Children’s Hospital Colorado in 2013)	South	1997	555	28
Arkansas Valley Regional Medical Center – La Junta	Southeast	2006	23	0
Let’s Talk! Speech Therapy – Cañon City	South	2006 (discontinued in 2007)	1	0
Total Children Served in Service Area			1,507	63
Clinic Programs – Service Area: West and Southwest Colorado				
St. Mary’s Life Center – Grand Junction	West	1986	1,423	38
Montrose Memorial Hospital	West	1998	545	31
Gunnison Valley Hospital	West	2015	5	2
Total Children Served in Service Area			1,973	71
TOTAL CLINIC PROGRAM CHILDREN SERVED			16,437	507
Early Language Development Programs – Service Area: West and Southwest Colorado				
The Piñon Project – Cortez	Southwest	2000	2,312	226
Western Slope Head Start – Grand Junction	West	2005	818	95
Total Early Language Development Program Served			3,130	321
TOTAL RITECARE CHILDREN SERVED			19,567	828

Selected Features and Highlights University of Colorado-Boulder Boulder, Colorado



Matthew

- **CU-Boulder became a RiteCare Partner in 2007**
- **Since 2007, 436 children have received services through the RiteCare Program**
- **In a recent national ranking of several hundred speech-language pathology Master's Degree programs, CU ranked 24th**

Article by Deborah & Kyle, parents of Matthew and submitted by Shelley Sheppeck, Director of Clinic Operations

Today, Matthew is a cheerful second grader, studying alongside his peers and succeeding academically. He likes school, learning, and recess. Most people who see him wouldn't notice anything out of place. However, you would have seen a very different picture four years ago. In 2012, Matthew was still attending a special preschool for children diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. He was non-verbal and struggled with basic peer interactions. Attempts at attending a mainstream classroom had failed. It was during this time that he started attending the "Story of Friendship" Program at University of Colorado-Boulder.

Thanks to the efforts of professor Amy Thrasher and her team of graduate speech-language clinicians, Matthew learned how to communicate, cooperate, and enjoy playtime with his peers. He responded immediately to their unique curriculum and flourished under their guidance – our entire family did. Matthew now attends school with his peers and has made connections within his community. He is engaging, talkative, and loves to tell knock-knock jokes! As his parents, we truly believe that Matthew wouldn't be in the place he is today without the commitment, dedication, and generosity of this team and the Scottish Rite Foundation.

Selected Features and Highlights

The Piñon Project

Cortez, Colorado



Mother and Child

- A family resource center in Montezuma County, southwest Colorado
- A RiteCare partner since 2000 with inception of the Treasure Chest Program
- Since 2000, 2,312 children and their families have benefited from this program

Treasure Chest is a free early literacy take-home program for families of infants, toddlers and preschool children.

Each chest is filled with books and fun educational activities to increase parent-child interaction and enhance early literacy development and school readiness.

Submitted by: The Piñon Project, Maggie Tevault

At The Piñon Project, we have begun a wrap-around approach to serving our families of young children. Maggie Tevault, Lynn Soukup, Trisha Halencak and Brandi Henderson are all part of the Early Childhood Programs Staff who work together to bring an array of early learning and development programs to our community, as well as provide screenings and early intervention services to those in need. We feel that our Treasure Chest Program is one of the most effective ways to reach out to families throughout Montezuma and Dolores Counties, and instill the importance of early literacy, education and intervention. Even our youngest participants in our weekly Mommy & Me Group have the opportunity to read and learn together with their families, thanks to The Scottish Rite Foundation.

Selected Features and Highlights

Rocky Mountain SER Head Start Grand Junction, Colorado



Charlotte

- Rocky Mountain SER's (acronym for Service, Employment, Redevelopment) Head Start Program began in Mesa County in 1984
- Since 2005 it has been a RiteCare Partner with inception of the Treasure Chest Program in Grand Junction
- Between 2005 and 2016, 818 children benefited from this program

**Submitted By: Carmen Marsh, Treasure Chest Coordinator
Rocky Mountain SER Western Slope Head Start, Grand Junction, CO**

Charlotte is one of our participants with the **Treasure Chest Program**. Her family is one of our Spanish speaking families on the western slope. Maria, Charlotte's mom wanted to share with us how much Charlotte is learning. Below is a short note about her experience with the program. We have provided the translation below.

15 Abril 2016

Programa Caja de Tesoros:

La familia les agradece el apollo para el aprendizaje de nuestra hija. Con la caja de tesoros a aprendido los colores, números, letras, y esperamos que aprenda a leer muy pronto.

Gracias,

La Familia Treasure Chest

April 15, 2016

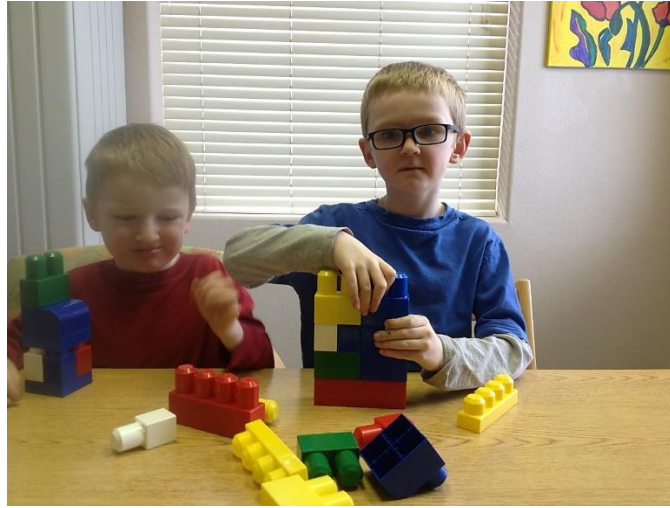
To the Treasure Chest Program:

Our family would like to thank you for supporting our daughter's learning with the Treasure Chest tubs. She has learned her colors, numbers, letters and we hope that she will start learning to read very soon.

Thank you,

A Treasure Chest Family

Selected Features and Highlights Children's Hospital Therapy Center - Pueblo Pueblo, Colorado



Levi and Liam in Speech Therapy

- **RiteCare partnership began in 1987 in Pueblo at Parkview Medical Center**
- **Speech Therapy services transitioned to Children's Hospital Colorado in 2001**
- **928 children have received therapy between 1987 and 2016**

Mother of two children who received speech therapy at Children's Hospital Therapy Care in Pueblo

My children mean the world to me, so when we found out that both our boys needed help with speech it was hard. I felt like we had failed them somehow. Both my boys were getting some speech therapy through their school, unfortunately with little results. We had come to the end of our rope and had no idea where to turn to next. So I cannot express how grateful we are to have found the Scottish Rite Foundation.

It has been such a blessing to see both our boys get the help they needed and to improve so much in such a short period of time. My oldest son, Liam (7 years old) hated school because he couldn't communicate very well. He would isolate himself so he didn't have to speak to the other children. The Scottish Rite Scholarship he received has changed his life. He can now talk to his teachers and his classmates with more confidence. And, he actually feels like he has been heard.

My youngest son Levi (5 years old) had picked up a lot of his brother's traits. He was heading down the same path, but that changed when he received his scholarship. We are no longer worried about him starting kindergarten next year. Both my boys love going to speech therapy. It is never a fight. They are willing to work hard to achieve their goals. I don't think I can ever say "Thank You" enough to all the wonderful people involved in my children's program.

Selected Features and Highlights

Gunnison Valley Health

Gunnison, Colorado



Jen Moore and Brandon

- **Gunnison Valley Health became a RiteCare Partner in 2015**
- **Five children in the RiteCare program have received speech therapy services**
- **All therapy provided by Jen Moore, SLP, who is a graduate of UNC in Greeley**

Gunnison Valley Health, article by Brandon's Mother

"Having a speech-language pathologist in Gunnison has been a life saver for our family. When we first needed someone, I couldn't believe that it wasn't offered in our town. We had to drive 1.5 hrs one way to get our son the therapy he needed. Driving all the way to Montrose, especially in the winter, would have been extremely difficult when both of us have full time jobs. When Jen Moore moved to our community, she not only brought services to our community that we desperately needed but she brought a gift of amazing skills and genuine care. Being able to get the therapy our son needs in the town we live in has been extraordinary. I can't tell you how fortunate we feel."

Selected Features and Highlights

Children's Hospital Therapy Center – Colorado Springs

Colorado Springs, Colorado



Kristine with two boys in Speech Therapy

- **The Scottish Rite Foundation began serving the Colorado Springs community in 1997 by partnering with Memorial Hospital**
- **In 2013 pediatric services were assumed by Children's Hospital Colorado**
- **Since 1997 555 children and their families have been served**

Bringing Services to the Spanish-Speaking Community

Kristine Maday has joined the Children's Colorado in Colorado Springs team to bring speech and language therapy services to the Spanish-speaking and bilingual population! She perfected her Spanish language skills while living in Bilbao, Spain before getting her Master's degree in Speech Language Pathology at Indiana University. At Children's Colorado, Kristine sees a variety of patients from 18 months through school age, providing services in the patient's primary language. Kristine says, "When it came time to choose a career path, bilingual speech-language pathology seemed like the perfect fit for me. I've always been interested in language, and I wanted to do something that would help people. There's a great need for Spanish-speaking speech therapists, so I knew I'd be providing a much needed service. It's really rewarding and meaningful to help families and kids so they can communicate and interact better with the world around them!"

Article by Ericka Wendorf, RiteCare Director, Children's Hospital Colorado – Colorado Springs

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