

June 24, 2016

Town of Castle Rock
100 Wilcox St.
Castle Rock, CO 80104



Dear Town Council:

Thank you for the opportunity to request funding for 2017. The Town of Castle Rock has been a major supporter of the Youth Initiative and on behalf of those we serve, we thank you for your loyal support.

As many of you are aware, the Youth Initiative is a major collaboration between seven Douglas County entities. It is truly the definition of partnership as we work together to serve our youth. The Town's contribution helps leverage each group's contribution. In addition to Castle Rock, we currently receive funding from the Town of Parker, City of Lone Tree, the Library District, the School District, Douglas County Government, and the Highlands Ranch Metro District. In 2016, we also received funds from: The Douglas County Department of Human Services and received a grant from the State of Colorado.

This year we are requesting \$19,800 from the Town; the same amount as the past four years. We are also requesting this amount from the Library District, Parker, Highlands Ranch, and Lone Tree. The School District and the County contribute higher amounts, \$75,750 each.

For these contributions, the Youth Initiative provides numerous services and programs, outlined on page two, reaching hundreds of County residents. Over the past four years we have added new programs at no extra cost.

The Douglas County Youth Initiative would not be possible without the support of municipalities and other members of the Partnership. The structure of the Youth Initiative ensures that each contributor has oversight. This is accomplished by each funder appointing an elected official to the Advisory Board.

Current members of the Advisory Board:

- Josh Rivero, Councilman, Town of Parker
- Renee Valentine, Councilwoman, Town of Castle Rock
- Jay Carpenter, Councilman, City of Lone Tree
- Dave Weaver, Commissioner, Douglas County
- Renee Anderson, Director, Highlands Ranch Metro District
- Wendy Vogel, Director, Board of Education
- Matt Krimmer, Town of Larkspur
- Tiffany Curtin, Libraries

Thank you for the opportunity to request funding.

Sincerely,

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Brief Overview of the Douglas County Youth Initiative:

The Youth Initiative is a collaborative project coordinating local youth-serving efforts and assessing the needs of our youngest residents by envisioning a community in which youth are involved, valued, productive, protected and healthy.

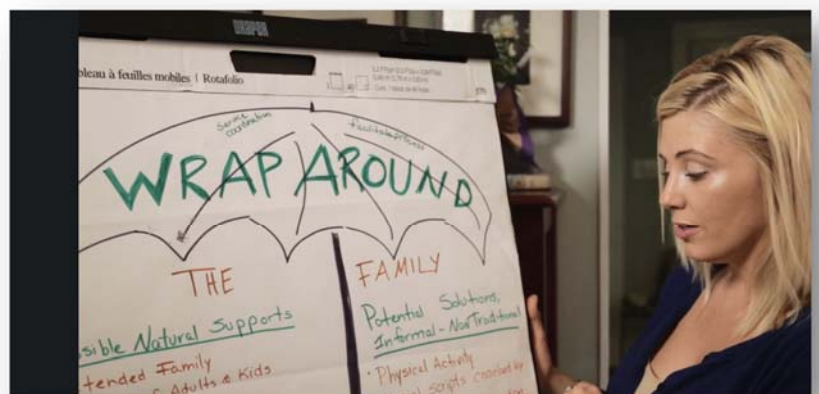
Vision

The Douglas County Youth Initiative envisions a community in which youth are involved, valued, productive, protected and healthy.

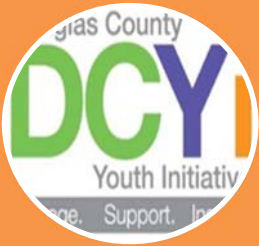
Mission

Our mission is to unite the Douglas County community, including youth, parents, agencies, governments, schools, nonprofits and other adults, in our mutual efforts to:

- Collaborate effectively as a seamless continuum of services.
- Advocate for system improvements that will better serve youth and families of Douglas County.
- Support youth and encourage their contributions to the broader community.
- Effectively intervene with youth who are endangered by their decisions and/or situation.
- Support and expand opportunities for youth to express viewpoints.
- Support parents with resources, education and unconditional care.



Douglas County Youth Initiative's 2017 Goals and Programs:



DCYI GOALS:

1. In 2017, serve 100 families. (July 2015 thru June 2016, DCYI served #45 families residing in Cattle Rock
2. Continue support for Teen Court for unincorporated youth and help Teen Court programs interact with DA's office
3. Continue mentoring for WrapAround youth
4. Obtain a 2nd year grant from the Dept. of Human Services
5. Increase attendance for events
6. Recruit a youth board member
7. Refine the cost saving tool developed to evaluate savings
8. Host additional events



WE PROVIDE RESOURCES:

Provide rapid response and community support for families and professionals

1. Support the community with resources, education and coordination
2. Provide facilitation between families and various systems
3. Publish the extensive Family Resource Guide: www.douglas.co.us/documents/douglas-county-youth-and-family-resource-guide.pdf
4. Sharing information via two videos: vimeo.com/135083402 vimeo.com/123226792
5. Educate professionals via the WrapAround Review Team



WE HOST EVENTS:

Youth Congress, Outstanding Youth Awards, Community Education

1. Support youth via Outstanding Youth Awards
2. Educate young people on how policy is made, support and expand opportunities for youth to express viewpoints via Youth Congress
3. Engage young people via a representative on Advisory Board and planning committee for Youth Congress
4. Offer adult community members the opportunity to interact with children in their community
5. Host successful Lunch-n-Learn community education series



WE PROVIDE FAMILY SERVICES:

Methodology: WrapAround

1. Effectively intervene with youth who are endangered by their decisions and/or situation via WRAP and Mentoring
2. Facilitate, mediate, and coordinate, family involvement with various systems
3. Prevention! Work towards preventing children from entering costly systems
4. Work towards cost savings and healthier families
5. Continue working with 16+ homeless population so they obtain HS diploma



WE COORDINATE JUVENILE JUSTICE SERVICES:

Teen Court and overseeing the Collaborative Management Program

1. Helping coordinate services for juveniles in detention/court
2. Working for system coordination
3. Effectively intervening with youth and their families involved in the juvenile justice system
5. Work with Probation, GAL's, DA's office, etc.
6. Teen Court

ORGANIZATION REQUESTING FUNDING: Douglas County Youth Initiative:

I. **2017 FUNDING REQUEST** (Please use this form for this information and not another format.)

Breakdown of funds (What would monies from the Town specifically be used for?)

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| <u>WRAP - personnel</u> | 6.5% | <u>\$ 17,341</u> |
| <u>Events</u> | 6.5% | <u>\$520</u> |
| <u>Cell Phones</u> | 6.5% | <u>\$179</u> |
| <u>Mileage</u> | 6.5% | <u>\$975</u> |
| <u>Training</u> | 6.5% | <u>\$325</u> |
| <u>Supplies and Misc.</u> | 6.5% | <u>\$373</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDING REQUEST | | <u>\$ 19,800</u> |

II. **2017 PROJECTED ORGANIZATION BUDGET** (Please use this form for this information and not another format.)

2017 projected organizational budget (Including funding from the Town)

Projected sources of revenue

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| <u>School District</u> | <u>\$35,750</u> |
| <u>Douglas County</u> | <u>\$35,750</u> |
| <u>Lone Tree</u> | <u>\$19,800</u> |
| <u>Castle Rock</u> | <u>\$19,800</u> |
| <u>Parker</u> | <u>\$19,800</u> |
| <u>Library</u> | <u>\$19,800</u> |
| <u>Highlands Ranch Metro</u> | <u>\$19,800</u> |
| <u>Douglas County – Additional Funding</u> | <u>\$40,000</u> |
| <u>School District – Additional Funding</u> | <u>\$40,000</u> |
| <u>Dept. of Human Services</u> | <u>\$52,780</u> |
| TOTAL PROJECTED REVENUE | <u>\$303,280</u> |

Projected expenditures

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| <u>Personnel</u> | <u>\$266,788</u> |
| <u>Events</u> | <u>\$8,000</u> |
| <u>Cell Phones</u> | <u>\$2,760</u> |
| <u>Mileage</u> | <u>\$15,000</u> |
| <u>Training</u> | <u>\$5,000</u> |
| <u>Supplies & Misc.</u> | <u>\$5,732</u> |
| TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENDITURES | <u>\$303,280</u> |