

June 14, 2019

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



Dear Town Council:

Thank you for the opportunity to request funding for 2019. 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, the City of Castle Pines, and the Highlands Ranch Metro District. In 2019, 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 six years. We are also requesting this amount from the City of Castle Pines, 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 financial contributor has oversight. This is accomplished by each funder appointing an elected official to the Advisory Board.

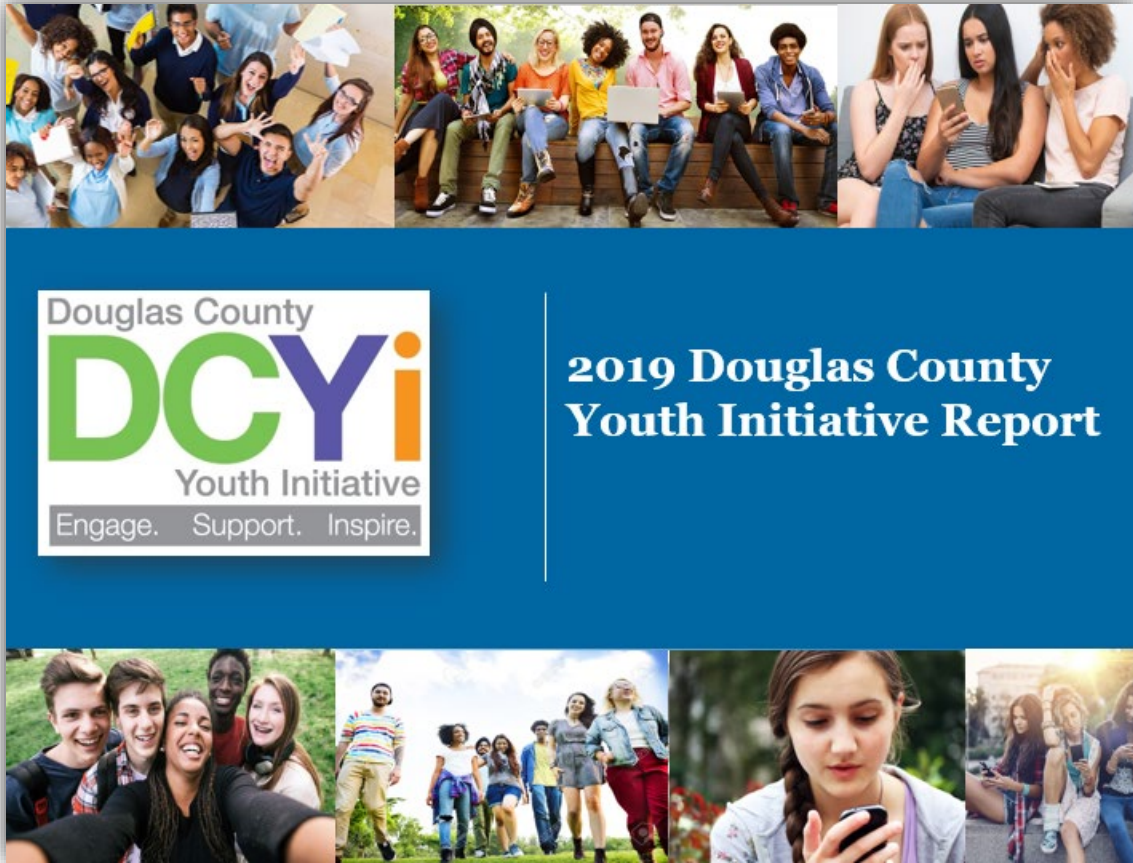
**Current members of the Advisory Board:**

- Josh Rivero, Councilman, Town of Parker
- Jason Bower, Councilwoman, Town of Castle Rock
- Jay Carpenter, Councilman, City of Lone Tree
- Deborah Mulvey, City of Castle Pines
- Abe Laydon, Douglas County
- Renee Anderson, Director, Highlands Ranch Metro District
- Wendy Vogel, Director, Board of Education
- Ron Cole, Libraries

Thank you for the opportunity to request funding.

Sincerely,

**Marsha Alston** / Youth Services Program Manager / [malston@dougls.co.us](mailto:malston@dougls.co.us) / 303-995-4251



## **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.



**OUTSTANDING YOUTH AWARDS**

**YOUTH CONGRESS**



**LA LIGA SOCCER  
AND BASKETBALL**



## Douglas County Youth Initiative's Programs and Goals:

### WrapAround:

#### Wrap Around Program:

One Full time  
Facilitator and  
Family Support  
Partner

- Who is it for? Youth with significant issues, system involvement
- What it does? Partners kids and families to develop a sound plan that ensures families feel supported and needs are met
- Why it's better? Offers individualized solutions customized to needs; youth and families take ownership of their plan
- How long does it take? Generally 10-14 months

In 2018, DCYI WrapAround received 100 referrals, and worked with approximately 210 individuals.

**WRAP's conservative potential cost savings, due to less disruption in school, students completing high school, fewer law enforcement contacts, receiving appropriate and needed services, etc., is thought to be between \$550,000—\$750,000 annually, as determined by an average 65% rate of involvement in 10 life domains.**

*"By working with WrapAround, our family was able to successfully work through many issues that resulted in greater stability and safety for our family."*

*-WRAP FAMILY  
(Family had an open Child Welfare case.)*



**WrapAround staff being recognized by the DCSO for their outstanding support of youth and families!**

Hi Patsy,

I just wanted to send you a quick note to tell you how much I appreciate your services with the X Family. Before the referral to **WrapAround**, we were struggling as a school to meet the level of need for the family. I felt that I had exhausted my resources and was not moving toward a healthy, long-term solution. When you came in to assist the family, her parents were so appreciative. They needed your support and strength to look at the situation with a fresh perspective and offer emotional support and resources. Since our first meeting together, X is THRIVING! We have been able to take her through the MTSS process at the school and she has made tremendous progress toward her goals. I cannot believe X will finally be able to receive specialized therapy thanks to you all. X now has a path toward developing as a happy, healthy young lady. I would not have thought all of these outcomes were possible. You are truly a lifesaver!

Thanks again for your ongoing support! Best wishes for a relaxing summer!

Warm regards,

JS, Ed.S.

DCSD School Counselor

## SPECIAL EVENTS:



### Special Events



## 2019 Special Events

**Youth Congress** – in 2018, 150 DCSD students attended; youth presented resolutions to Community Leaders. **A youth group was formed to help plan Youth Congress 2019.** The Sources of Strength group will present to the Partnership of Douglas County Governments and the Board of Education

Youth Congress past speakers: DCSD Superintendent Thomas Tucker, Reggie Rivers, Teen Court Mock Trial, a Mayoral Forum, Dr. Jim Baroffio, child psychologist, Deputy DA on Internet safety, Co Fiscal Institute, and Dr. Thomas Tucker, DCSD Superintendent

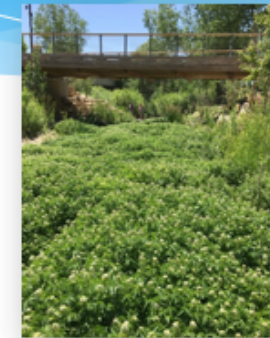
**Outstanding Youth Awards** – Ten local DCSD teens are honored each year; in 2018 four students received \$1,000 each by local donors. Recent email: "Thank you Marsha! I was honored to attend this event and congratulate these amazing teens! Melissa Coudeyras, Castle Pines Town Council"

**Quarterly Community Educational Series**– Topics presented: Autism, Appropriate Screen time, Substance Abuse and Addiction, Dr. Scott Poland on suicide prevention, Mitigating Negative Behaviors, LGBTQ, ACES Study, Art from Ashes presentation, Deputy DA on Internet Safety, presentation from the Relationship Institute and Overview of the CASA Mentoring Program

## CONTINUED:

**\*Castle Rock started La Liga and Parker then followed\***

### Community



- **Free Soccer in Castle Rock!** DCYI partnering with: a local Castle Rock Spanish Speaking church, Tri-County Health, and the school district.
- **La Liga's** volunteer work, Plum Creek before and after watercress!
- **Dr Scott Poland:** Nationally recognized speaker on teen suicide prevention and school violence – partnering with DCSD or two community sessions, with over 150 community members attending.
- **Tall Cop** presentation with DCSD and DCYI: High in Plain Sight, October, 2018
- **Youth Needs Summit:** 100 attended, surveying the needs in the community
- **La Liga Basketball** – February 2019 at Castle Rock Elementary

## DCYI Goals, 2020:

- Continue assisting students in graduating from High School; seven in the last six years
- Continue to increase attendance to DCYI events
- Work on Teen Suicide Prevention with DCSD and community members
- Work on promoting Sources of Strength – helping develop a community promotion plan with DCSD
- Youth Congress for middle schools
- Teen Court Collaboration
- Continue developing a strategic plan focusing on the seven topics selected at the 2019 Youth Needs Summit:
  - **Parent Education and resources**
  - **Coordination of mental health services and resources**
  - **Substance Use Prevention**
  - **Youth Mentorship**
  - **Trauma Informed Community**
  - **Developing youth leadership**
  - **Transportation**





## **2020 FUNDING:**

### **Funding**

Beginning in 2005, each DCYI partner enters into an IGA. **Annual contributions are listed below, and have increased only once, in 2013, by 5%.**

Douglas County School District Re-1:	\$35,750
Douglas County:	\$35,750
Douglas County Libraries	\$19,800
Town of Castle Rock:	\$19,800
Town of Parker:	\$19,800
City of Lone Tree:	\$19,800
Highlands Ranch Metro District	\$19,800
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*Douglas County School District Re-1	\$40,000
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\*Douglas County and the Douglas County School District each give a total of:  
\$75,750.00.

# ORGANIZATION REQUESTING FUNDING: Douglas County Youth Initiative:

## I. **2020 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?)

<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 **\$ 19,800**

## II. **2020 PROJECTED ORGANIZATION BUDGET** (Please use this form for this information and not another format.)

### **2020 projected organizational budget** (Including funding from the Town)

#### **Projected sources of revenue**

<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>

#### **Projected expenditures**

<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>

TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENDITURES **\$303,280**

# Douglas County Youth Initiative



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**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON DCYI, CHECK OUT THESE BRIEF VIDEOS:**

<https://vimeo.com/135083402>

<https://vimeo.com/123226792>

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=la+liga+douglas+county+vemo+video&view=detail&mid=BAD73BF60D4442FA97CCBAD73BF60D4442FA97CC&FORM=VIRE>

Article about soccer: <https://castlerocknewspress.net/stories/castle-rock-soccer-league-has-deeper-mission,262852>