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Who We Are

- Our department helps ensure Fort Collins is a diverse and equitable community that successfully meets the basic needs of all residents.

What We Do

- Support programs, policies, and partnerships that provide equity and opportunity for all. As a governmental entity, we do not provide direct services to citizens, with the exception of the Homebuyers' Assistance program.
- Allocate federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and City funding to affordable housing developers and human service agencies to meet the needs of low and moderate income citizens.
- Implement policies that promote and support self-sufficiency for low-income citizens.

2014 in Review

The department spent 2014 determining gaps in social services in our community, studying housing affordability, and initiating a new five-year strategic plan that will give direction to the department's focus, funding and partnerships.



Laurie Klith,
The Center for Family Outreach Executive Director



Ensuring healthy social systems so our residents can thrive



HOUSING

- Provided funding for land purchases for future Habitat for Humanity homes, construction of housing for low-income senior citizens (Legacy Senior Residences) and Redtail Ponds Permanent Supportive Housing among other rehabilitation and repair projects.
- Conducted Housing Affordability Policy Study to explore affordability trends and possible policy changes including a renewed look at the land bank program.
- Provided down payment assistance to eight families purchasing their first home.
- Brought the City into increased compliance with Fair Housing Standards.

DIVERSITY

- Initiated a project with the City's GIS Department to map locations and data that affect equity and livability in the community.

HUMAN SERVICES

- Published "Human Services: A Community Snapshot" highlighting a sampling of human services agencies that have received City funding.

COMPETITIVE PROCESS

- Awarded \$858,000 to 32 non-profit agencies and \$2 million to five housing projects in Spring 2014.
- Awarded \$721,000 to three housing programs in Fall 2014.



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