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Contributions to the Legal Aid Foundation support the work of Colorado Legal Services, the only program in the state that provides legal help in civil matters to indigent clients in every Colorado county.

COLORADO LEGAL SERVICES 2019

- **13,214** cases handled
- **26,970** individuals benefited
- **78,704** unique web site visitors for self-help legal information
- **25,117** referrals made for other assistance
- **10,149** received legal information at outreach events
- **7,775** pro bono hours provided by attorneys
- **$3,993,141** in awards and benefits for clients

**AREAS OF SERVICE**

- Housing: 37%
- Consumer & Finance: 16%
- Income Maintenance: 5%
- Employment, Health, Individual Rights & Misc.: 18%
- Family Law & Domestic Violence: 24%

**CLIENTS**

- White/Caucasian: 57%
- Hispanic: 23%
- Black: 11%
- Native American: 2%
- Unknown/Other: 6%
- Asian: 1%
DEAR FRIENDS,

Your leadership in the pursuit of equal justice is always important. But now, in the face of a deadly pandemic that has made the systemic inequities in our health, social, and economic structures much worse, your leadership matters more than ever.

COVID-19 and the economic upheaval it created is increasing the number of low-income Coloradans eligible for legal aid, as well as the number of life-altering legal problems confronting them. Families are facing eviction, foreclosure, debt collection, and bankruptcy. Jobs have been lost, while others, many held exclusively by low-income people, have become more dangerous.

Many more Coloradans are in need of unemployment or other public benefits to pay their rent, put food on the table, or secure necessary health care. And increased domestic violence belies for many women and children the advice of “safer at home.”

As a donor, you play a critical part in the necessary front-line response to this crisis. Your consistent leadership means that Colorado Legal Services can help more low-income Coloradans as they navigate these challenging times. You help level a playing field that is anything but, ensuring that many of those most vulnerable in our communities receive the full protection and benefit of the law. You help strengthen a safety net that is essential to a full and fair recovery for all Coloradans.

It is often said that in times of crises, leaders are not made; they are revealed. We agree. On behalf of the many who will benefit from your leadership in the weeks and months ahead — thank you.

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• **232 LAW FIRMS**
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  distributed to Colorado Legal Services

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