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**Wednesday, September 10, 2025**

**6:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

**at Upper Larimer Events**



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## Program

- 6:00 p.m. Event Begins at Upper Larimer  
Catering by Aung's Bankok Cafe
- 7:00 p.m. Welcome Remarks  
  
Video with Client Stories  
  
Remarks from Sharon Knight, Hope CEO  
  
Paddle Raise
- 8:00 p.m. Dessert, Drinks and Visiting Continues
- 8:15 p.m. Check Out Open

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## Welcome to Hope For The Future 2025!

Welcome to Hope for the Future 2025. We are so pleased to share the evening with you and pleased that we have an opportunity to tell you a bit about the incredible impact of Hope Communities. It is a way for us to celebrate the thousands of people who have overcome obstacles and begun the journey towards achieving life goals for themselves and future generations – often going from homelessness or forcible displacement to stable housing, improved employment, and homeownership.

We are very proud to have served 4,592 individuals with customized programs and services last year. We provided services with skilled staff who speak 21 languages; offered enough fresh, culturally appropriate food to prepare more than 99,802 meals; provided direct employment assistance to over 2,000; worked with 352 kids; and served more people experiencing homelessness than ever before. It has been rewarding to see such transformational growth for the families we served across the region last year, made even more possible with the opening of a new office in Northglenn to better serve clients north of Denver.

We fully understand that we cannot do this work alone, and in fact, collaborate with many incredible nonprofit and agency partners to leverage resources and ensure comprehensive services for those who need them most. We also utilize valuable volunteer hours to support many of our planned activities. We are grateful for all the partners who help to make our impactful program possible.

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**VISION :** A community in which everyone has a safe place to call home and the resources they need to thrive.

**MISSION :** We strengthen communities and provide pathways to economic and personal opportunity through affordable housing, educational programs and support services.

As you hear more about what we do tonight, please think about how you would like to engage with us – to support housing stability, increase family self-sufficiency, and enhance economic mobility for those who have commonly been disenfranchised. All our programs and services are supported with fundraising dollars, so your cash donations and volunteer efforts will make a tremendous impact.

One partner we are extremely pleased to partner with is the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority (CHFA). They are incredible thought-partners and advocates for both affordable housing and access to first-time homeownership. We are honored to recognize the meaningful and sustained work of Cris White, CEO of CHFA tonight. He has long been a champion for housing across our state, guiding the way for numerous important initiatives to advance stability and opportunity for the residents of Colorado. We are grateful for his leadership.

We are also grateful for your support. We simply could not do this work without your help. All programs and services are supported with fundraising dollars. As you hear more about what we do tonight, please think about how you would like to engage with us – to battle homelessness, increase family self-sufficiency and enhance equity for those who have commonly been disenfranchised. It will take us all to address the very complex issues impacting families in our community.

Thank you,



Greg Glade, Board Chair  
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Sharon Knight, President & CEO  
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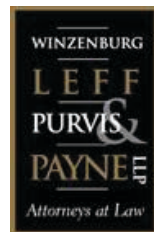
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