

# Community Impact Report

2021-2022



# A Letter From Our CEO and Board President

Entering 2021 and then 2022, we, like many communities, were optimistic about a return to normalcy. Our reality differed from our hopes. Our community members continued to face isolation, economic hardship, health and mental health complications, and persistent food insecurity. Throughout the last 18 months, we have been challenged in myriad ways. We have seen unprecedented growth in need and have tried our best to stand up to meet that need as often as possible. Throughout this challenging time, we have looked to our donors, volunteers, staff, partners, and clients to light the way. We could not be doing the work we do day-in and day-out without your support. For this, we are humbled.

Mountain Resource Center has pivoted and grown. We have established ourselves as more than a place to visit, but as a resource that can come to you. Our Mobile Food Share reached out to become part of the communities in Jefferson and Park County that struggled to get to us, greatly increasing the number of people we were able to serve. We listened to families who felt a strong need to get back into the classroom, not just for learning, but for connection and social support. We revitalized the way we serve our clients by embracing a wraparound case management model, which is a strengths-based, needs-driven approach. Perhaps most importantly, we formed a client advisory committee to help guide the future of the agency and make sure that we are meeting the relevant needs of our mountain community.

We have had ups and downs, and we have learned countless lessons about our role in our community and our impact on individuals' lives. We have strengthened the trust our clients have in us. We have benefitted from the many hours of service and generous financial support that our volunteers and donors gift to us. We have a mission-driven staff and board who are highly invested in evolving and growing to meet the changes before us. This is an exciting time for us all and our work has never been more relevant. Thank you for standing alongside us.

Sincerely,

*Sarah Kinzer*

CEO, Mountain Resource Center

*Peter Brettell*

President, Board of Directors



# Who We Are

Mountain Resource Center was founded in 1990 to promote self-sufficiency for Jefferson and Park County residents living in the rural foothill region west of Denver. Based in Conifer, Colorado, Mountain Resource Center is the only community-based organization along the U.S. Highway 285 corridor that provides two-generation services for in-need families.

## **Mission Statement**

We strengthen our community with services that empower people.

## **Vision Statement**

Inspiring hope, resilience and independence.

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## **2021-2022 Board of Trustees**

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# Integrated Services

**Case Management** including emergency housing, utility and transportation assistance, access to free or low-cost mental health care, and medical payments.

**Community Health** addresses food insecurity through MRC's onsite and mobile food pantries, government food application assistance (SNAP), nutrition classes, and partnerships with local schools. The program also strengthens the local food system via partnerships with local food producers for purchase of fresh meats, dairy, and produce.

**Family Education** offers a wide array of programs that benefit children and caregivers. Programs include Circle of Parents, which provides parent and child support groups; Outdoor Adventures, which offers family peer support groups; and Incredible Years which includes baby, toddler, and parent classes.

**Veterans Support** provides a single point of contact model that offers advocacy, case management and support, basic needs assistance (including rent/mortgage, utilities), transportation, coverage of mental health expenses, and referrals to veteran-specific resources and community events. In 2021, MRC partnered with STRIDE Health Centers to open a low-cost health care center onsite. STRIDE's location at MRC is the only provider accepting Medicaid and VA Health Benefits within a 40-mile radius.

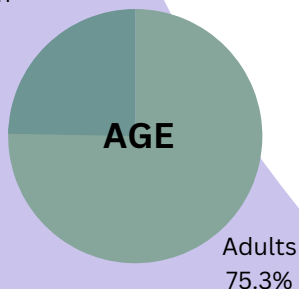
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## Who We Serve

Total Individuals Served - 2,373

Total Households Served - 1,150

Children  
24.7%

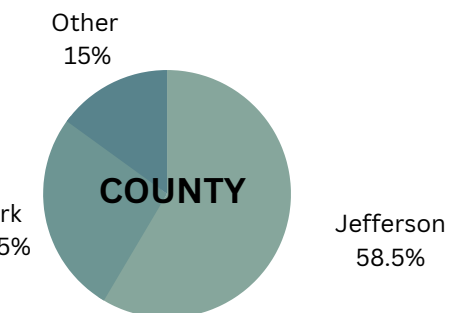
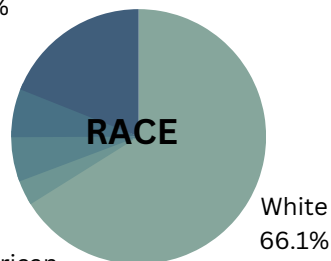


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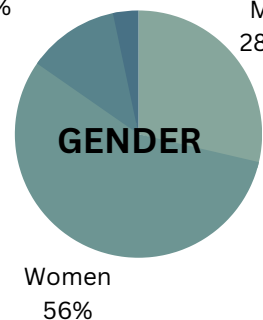
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Men  
28.6%





# Our Impact By The Numbers

**388**

New Households Served



**432**

Individuals Received Case Management

**442**

Seniors Served



**129,458**

Pounds of Food Distributed in our Onsite Food Share Market

**118**

Families Participated in Family Education Programing

**608**

Children Served



**\$256,545**

Dollars Dispersed in Rental, Mortgage & Utility Assistance

## Mobile Food Share

**648**

People Served



**33,738**

Pounds of Food Distributed

**7**

Number of Weekly Operating Sites



# A Successful Resale Store Remodel

In October of 2021, we embarked on a complete refresh of our Resale Store. Our goal was to rebrand the store as a program of Mountain Resource Center, which included a new mission and purpose.

**Store Mission:** Mountain Resource Center Resale Store offers a dignified shopping experience where customers find affordable items in a welcoming environment. 100% of the proceeds benefit Mountain Resource Center's programs and services.

**200**

Vouchers to the Resale Store Given Out

**\$4,000.00**

The Value of Vouchers Given Out



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## A Celebration of our Volunteers

Our work would not be possible without the unwavering support of our dedicated volunteers.

**245**

Individual Volunteers

**8,177**

Volunteers Hours

**\$29.95**

The Estimated National Value of a Volunteer Hour in 2021, According to Calculations by the University of Maryland's Do Good Institute

**\$244,901.15**

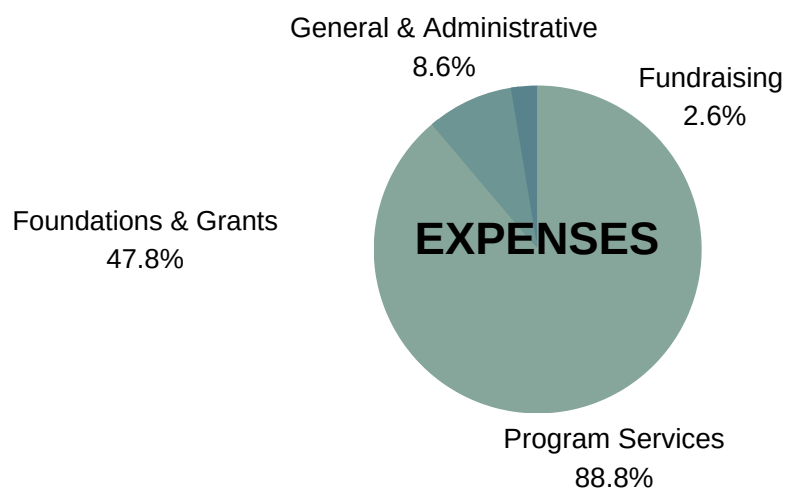
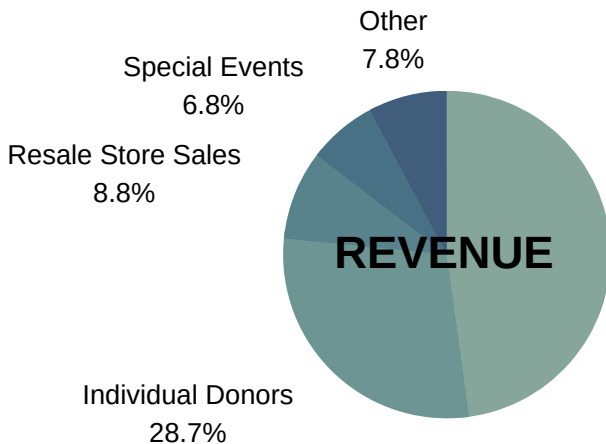
The Value of Time Given by MRC Volunteers



# Financial Overview

**\$1,774,248**  
Total Revenue

**\$1,852,752**  
Total Expenses



\*Mountain Resource Center experienced increased expenses this FY due to the impacts of Covid-19 on our clients. In addition, we experienced a reduction in net income due to the loss of a larger grant and an extended Resale Store closure. We feel confident that we will end our next FY in a strong position.

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