**Colorado Nonprofit Association** closed out its 30th year leading, serving and strengthening Colorado’s nonprofit community. We take seriously our role as the voice of the nonprofit community and continue evolving our programming to best serve those organizations dedicated to elevating the quality of life in our state.

In 2016, we began implementing our 2020 Strategic Plan. The plan asks our members to join us in achieving a bold vision: **Colorado has the nation’s most effective, vibrant and innovative nonprofit community essential to the quality of life in our state.** This vision is grounded in three core elements of how we achieve our mission – knowledge, influence, network. These elements interconnect to support six goals we plan to achieve over the next four years (see diagram on next page).

The pages that follow highlight our 2016 efforts and set the stage for what’s to come.

To our numerous members, supporters, donors, sponsors, volunteers, staff and friends who made our 2016 statewide programs, initiatives and events possible — THANK YOU. You are our champions and we look forward to working together in 2017 and beyond.

**OUR MISSION**

Colorado Nonprofit Association leads, serves and strengthens Colorado’s nonprofit community to improve the quality of life throughout our state.
INFLUENCE
Legislators, businesses, community leaders and the general public recognize the essential value of Colorado’s nonprofit sector. Colorado pursues and maintains public policies and partnerships which support a flourishing operating environment for nonprofits.

KNOWLEDGE
Colorado nonprofit professionals are prepared and inspired to lead sustainable, transparent and innovative nonprofits serving communities.

NETWORK
Colorado nonprofit professionals have strong relationships with each other and with government officials and business leaders, engendering collaboration, shared resources and peer-to-peer learning.

Colorado has the nation’s most effective, vibrant and innovative nonprofit community essential to the quality of life in our state.

Lead adoption and implementation of public policies that strengthen nonprofits and communities.

Elevate public understanding and appreciation of Colorado’s nonprofit sector.

Connect members with each other and with outside resources to enrich and strengthen their work.

Increase the sustainability of the nonprofit sector by providing professional development, access to best practice knowledge and current trend information to people and organizations.
We researched and acted on issues broadly impacting Colorado nonprofits so they have the latitude and support they need to do their work in Colorado communities.

*Laws and Measures Affecting Nonprofits*

Encouraging engagement from many Colorado nonprofits, we worked for the passage of and endorsed relevant *Colorado legislation*. As a result of the following legislation, nonprofits can operate in an environment with . . .

**HB 16-1129**

stronger penalties to deter bad actors from committing charitable fraud, ensuring nonprofits exercise due diligence when working with paid solicitors

**HB 16-1297**

stability in checkoffs on the Colorado income tax form, including more tax checkoff funds, some funds restored to the tax form and the amount funds must raise reduced to remain on the form – allowing more nonprofits to participate in the program

**Amendment 70**

increased minimum wage to $12 an hour

**Issue 4B**

renewed sales tax funding the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) for the seven county Denver metro area

*Learn about advocacy efforts and find policy updates at ColoradoNonprofits.org/advocacy.*
We worked to lift up Colorado nonprofits' positive impact on making out state a better place to live.

**Awards Event Recognized Exceptional Nonprofit Leaders**
Hosting the 21st annual *Colorado Nonprofit Week Awards Luncheon*, we honored the 2016 awardees — six individuals and one organization — who have dedicated their lives and careers to strengthening Colorado’s nonprofit sector.

**Week Dedicated to Nonprofit Contributions**
New for 2016, we rallied nonprofits for the entire *Colorado Nonprofit Week*, encouraging nonprofit staff, board members and volunteers across the state to participate in activities each themed day. The week featured opportunities for nonprofits to share knowledge, recognize the work happening in communities around the state and educate the public about what nonprofits do every day.

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**Proud members linked together**

1,3K nonprofit members strong**
5 statewide member appreciation events

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*Learn about Colorado Nonprofit Week at ColoradoNonprofits.org/events/colorado-nonprofit-week.
**Learn about membership at ColoradoNonprofits.org/membership.
We raised the professionalism of the nonprofit community and all its leaders working to achieve the missions of thousands of nonprofits in the state.

*Conference Centered on What it Means to be Part of the 20,000*

More than 20,000 public charities impact Colorado. The 20,000: 24th Annual Fall Conference & Exhibition* was a time for representatives from the 20,000 to come together to discuss vital questions about the nonprofit sector. The event engaged almost 1,000 nonprofit professionals and those serving the nonprofit community for learning, idea sharing and skill building. Expanding our reach, more than 80 viewers from across the state tuned in to see our first-ever live stream featuring four plenary sessions.

*Collaborative Event Inspired Dialogue around Advocacy*

The seventh annual C(3) Forum** brought together a full house of almost 300 nonprofit professionals with 40 funders to discuss the state and future of the nonprofit sector through the lense of policy, advocacy and community engagement.

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**statewide education and inspiration for all**

2,8K individuals reached through educational programs and events

100 professional development trainings***

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*Learn about the Fall Conference & Exhibition at ColoradoNonprofits.org/events/fall-conference.

**Learn about C(3) Forum at ColoradoNonprofits.org/events/c3-forum.

***Learn about our education programs at ColoradoNonprofits.org/knowledge/training.
We unveiled important communication tools helping carry out our mission of leading, serving and strengthening Colorado nonprofits and communities.

Launched New Quarterly Nonprofit Magazine
We published the inaugural issue of *Nonprofit Colorado* magazine, distributing 4,000 copies to nonprofits, community partners and select libraries across the state. The magazine is designed to lift up the important work of nonprofits across Colorado. We strive to publish inspiring and informative content of interest to not only nonprofit staff, board members, volunteers, donors and supporters, but also community-minded Coloradans interested in learning more about the positive impact nonprofits make every day.

Debuted Newly Designed Website
Our streamlined [ColoradoNonprofits.org](http://www.coloradononprofits.org) website includes new and improved functionality making it easier for Colorado nonprofits to connect with us and with each other. It continues serving as the central location for critical information and resources supporting the nonprofit sector.
The financial information shown* represents Colorado Nonprofit Association and Citizen Action for Colorado Nonprofits (Colorado Nonprofit Association’s 501(c)(4) arm).

**2016 $ OVERVIEW**

- **total assets** $2,792,762
- **total liabilities** $559,704
- **total unrestricted net assets** $1,535,349
- **total change in net assets** $81,919
- **cash and cash equivalents year-end** $730,153

*Our complete 990 for 2016 is available at ColoradoNonprofits.org/sites/default/files/attachments/990_2*
We envision an effective, vibrant and innovative nonprofit community that improves the quality of life in our state. But we cannot do it alone.

Your support of Colorado Nonprofit Association helps us meet this vision of Colorado’s future – one that benefits every Coloradan.

Learn more about getting involved and making your contribution at ColoradoNonprofits.org.