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## **Community Reach Center receives boost from FCC for telehealth program**

Funding will purchase laptops to facilitate  
stay-at-home objectives during COVID-19 pandemic

**(Westminster – July 1, 2020)** Community Reach Center was among behavioral health care providers in rural and urban areas of the country to receive funding from the FCC Telehealth Program July 1 to increase telehealth services during the coronavirus pandemic.

FCC's COVID-19 Telehealth Program authorized by the CARES Act (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act), has approved 514 funding applications in 46 states plus Washington, D.C. for a total of \$189.27 million in funding to date.

Community Reach Center was awarded \$223,569 for laptop computers for both clients and therapists, enabling clients to remain engaged in therapy appointments via telehealth, and support staff members to work remotely to ensure their safety during COVID-19.

"Our goals are to help clients continue with their mental health and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatments to prevent interruption in service delivery," Community Reach Center CEO Rick Doucet said. "With this, we intend to reduce no-shows and cancellations and increase treatment

engagement because clients can receive care in the location of their choosing via telehealth.”

The center’s grant application further noted that when clients can stay home and receive treatment via telehealth, it helps reduce their exposure to COVID-19 and potential hospitalization.

Community Reach Center has been increasing its telehealth services since the pandemic outbreak. The center has kept its services operational throughout the pandemic with intake services in Brighton and Thornton, as well as keeping its Behavioral Health Urgent Care (BHUC) urgent care center open 24/7.

“Most clients like the convenience of engaging in their therapy from home at this time and are showing the same level of engagement in their treatment goals as they did in their in-person sessions,” Doucet added.

To learn more about Community Reach Center, visit [www.communityreachcenter.org](http://www.communityreachcenter.org) or call 303-853-3500. To learn more about the FCC’s COVID-19 Telehealth Program and view a complete list of funding recipients to date, visit <https://www.fcc.gov/covid19telehealth>.

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Community Reach Center is a top-tier non-profit behavioral health and wellness provider established in 1957 that serves people of all ages at 10 outpatient offices and more than 100 community-based sites throughout Adams and Broomfield counties in Colorado. The Center employs more than 500 highly skilled professionals committed to health and wellness, currently serving 22,000 individuals annually. It is one of the first community mental health providers in the U.S. to incorporate pediatric primary care into its care continuum with the purchase of Mountainland Pediatrics in Thornton, Colorado and Broomfield Pediatrics in Broomfield, Colorado. Community Reach operates the first and currently largest school-based therapy program in Colorado. It is the first mental health provider in Colorado to receive accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities – an independent, nonprofit accreditor of health and human services.

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