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Colorado Nonprofits to Know Launches to Celebrate Colorado's Changemakers

New statewide program recognizes 501(c)(3) organĪizations driving innovation, impact, and community strength

DENVER, Colo. (19 November 2025) – Colorado Companies to Watch (CCTW) is proud to announce the launch of **Colorado Nonprofits to Know (CNTK)**—a new statewide recognition program honoring 501(c)(3) organizations headquartered in or with a major presence in Colorado.

This inaugural year of **Colorado Nonprofits to Know** celebrates the nonprofits that are fueling the heart of Colorado. These are organizations whose leadership, innovation, and measurable impact are transforming lives and strengthening communities across the state.

"Nonprofits play an essential role in Colorado's growth and resilience," said **Maggie Drucker, Nonprofit Chair, Colorado Companies to Watch**. "Through CNTK, we're shining a spotlight on the organizations that inspire change, build connections, and embody what makes Colorado such an extraordinary place to live and work."

Nominations are now open, and participation in the program is free. Anyone may nominate a nonprofit they admire, and self-nominations are encouraged. Honorees will be selected based on leadership, innovation, impact, sustainability, and community engagement, and will receive statewide recognition through Colorado Companies to Watch's platform and events.

This initiative marks an expansion of CCTW's commitment to showcasing excellence and impact across Colorado's business and nonprofit ecosystems.

Eligibility & Selection
Eligible organizations must be certified 501(c)(3) nonprofits headquartered in or with a major presence in Colorado, operating for at least three years with annual budgets of $500,000 and more. Organizations should demonstrate measurable impact, strong leadership, and a clear path for sustainable growth.

Five honorees will be selected in this inaugural year, representing the diversity, creativity, and strength of Colorado's nonprofit sector. Winners will be announced in June 2026 and recognized at a statewide celebration hosted by Colorado Companies to Watch.

About Colorado Companies to Watch (CCTW)
Founded in 2009, **Colorado Companies to Watch** recognizes and celebrates second-stage businesses that fuel the economic fire of Colorado. The program honors companies that demonstrate high performance, innovation, and community impact, those moving beyond startup status to create jobs, expand industries, and build stronger local economies.
CCTW is a nonprofit organization supported by the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade and a network of community and business partners across the state.

About Colorado Nonprofits to Know (CNTK)
Presented by CCTW**, Colorado Nonprofits to Know** honors 501(c)(3) organizations that are advancing the well-being, equity, and vitality of Colorado communities. Through this new recognition program, CNTK highlights nonprofit leaders and their organizations who are driving measurable impact and setting the standard for innovation, collaboration, and compassion statewide.

To nominate a nonprofit or learn more, visit **coloradocompaniestowatch.org/nominate-nonproft**.

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