



## 2016-2017 Annual Report in Summary

Keeping kids healthy today & for all of their tomorrows

The past year held many opportunities for Kids First Health Care. We joined forces with Adams 12 Five Star Schools in fall 2017 to open our seventh school-based health center, in Thornton High School, and provided care to nearly 400 youth in the first four months. We also introduced dental services in our Adams City High School clinic through a new partnership with Salud Family Health Centers. This is a meaningful addition to our practice, because treatment of tooth decay is one of the most common unmet health needs of underserved youth. Having these services all within one location enables us to seamlessly meet children's full health care needs. Overall, Kids First increased services significantly this past year, providing nearly 10,000 health care visits.

Notably, Kids First was chosen as a finalist for the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce 2017 Business Awards for large nonprofit of the year. This honor speaks volumes about our cutting-edge practices and our all-star team, which works tirelessly to ensure underserved youth have the support, medical care and resources to live healthy lives.

2017 was not without challenges. Like many Colorado health care practices, Kids First experienced delays in Medicaid reimbursement. This and other unavoidable roadblocks occurred late in our fiscal year and thus impacted our year-end financials. However, these challenges only reinforced our resolve to improve the adaptability and sustainability of our agency in order to meet the continued health care needs of children and youth who might otherwise go without needed care.

Affordable, accessible health care will continue to be among the highest needs for low-income and working families. As we look forward to the year ahead, we are excited about additional opportunities that will enable us to serve more of these families while deepening our impact through new programs. We are currently in the development stages of establishing our eighth school-based health center, in Brighton High School in School District 27J, slated to open in fall 2018.

Kids First was also named CoBiz Financial's newest beneficiary for the 2018 and 2019 Colorado Biz Bashes. The Biz Bash is a premier Denver area concert fundraiser that benefits two preselected child-serving organizations each year. Kids First is honored to have been selected from among more than 80 nonprofit applicants for two years of Biz Bash support. As a Biz Bash beneficiary, we will launch a multilevel campaign to improve the oral health of children and teens across Adams County.

This year, Kids First celebrates our 40th anniversary. Since establishing Colorado's first school-based health center in 1978, we have evolved to meet the ever-growing and complex needs of the communities we serve while staying true to our mission: to improve the health and well-being of underserved infants, children, and youth.

We are honored and grateful to work side by side with our community partners and supporters to build healthier tomorrows for our children, and we look forward to making great strides toward this goal in the coming year.

In good health,  
Curtis Stepan, Board President  
Norma Portnoy, Executive Director



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# 40th Anniversary

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### Our Services

Primary health care services for low-income, uninsured and underinsured children at health centers in Commerce City, Thornton and Westminster



Enrollment assistance for children and families into health insurance plans to help ensure children's access to health care



School nursing services, ensuring that more than 17,000 students in 32 schools have their health needs met during the day



### 2016-2017 by the Numbers

9,868



Health care visits for children

3,417



Infants, children and teens served

4,360



Immunizations administered

1,167



Mental health counseling visits provided to children and teens

883



Children and adults financially screened and enrolled in health insurance plans

177



Dental care visits provided for teens

90%



Percentage of budget directed towards clients and services

\$704,658



In uncompensated care provided

Since 1978... **67,417** children served **175,319** health care visits provided



## Key Performance Indicators

# 63%

of eligible patients (ages 3-9) consistently received well-child checks

# 19%

of overweight and obese patients demonstrated improvements in body mass index (BMI)

# 96%

of overweight and obese patients showed improvements in at least one lifestyle choice (e.g., nutrition, exercise)

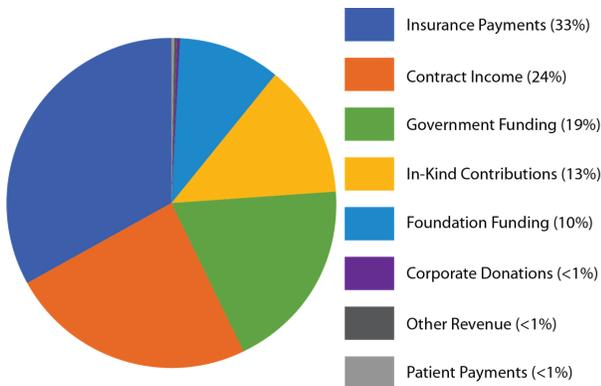


*"Kids First is a fabulous program. The nurse practitioner here does a great job of helping our kids get the preventive care they need. I can't tell you how many students have gotten glasses because of the persistence the health care provider has shown in getting them help. I wish all schools had the wonderful program and the expertise Kids First gives. I've taught at several schools, and ACMS health care is among the best, thanks to Ms. McNeil (Kids First's nurse practitioner at the school)."*

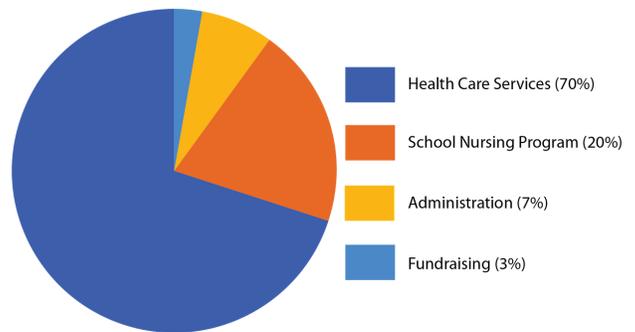
—Teacher at Adams City Middle School (ACMS)

## Financial Performance

Sources of Funding—**\$3,380,452**



Use of Funds—**\$3,561,597**



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## Pediatric Health Centers

### Commerce City School-Based Health Centers

Adams City Middle School  
Kearney Middle School  
Adams City High School  
Lester Arnold High School

### Thornton School-Based Health Center

Thornton High School

### Community-Based Health Centers

Commerce City Clinic  
Gregory Hill Early Childhood Center in Westminster