A Message to the Community from OUR Center’s Board of Directors

It is with gratitude and sadness that we announce Edwina Salazar’s planned retirement in the coming year. Since 1999, Ms. Salazar has led the Outreach United Resource Center to become a highly regarded leader in the Colorado non-profit community. Ms. Salazar’s recent accomplishments include spearheading a successful $4.7-million Capital Campaign to transform a former lumber store on Collyer and 3rd Ave into a 30,000 square foot modern facility to house an intake center for case management services, Community Café, Community Closet, Community Market, volunteer center, administrative offices and more. This great accomplishment allowed OUR Center to consolidate its many services into one building. In addition to overseeing the OUR Center’s expansion into the new building, Ms. Salazar transformed the programs we provided into one cohesive, certified Family Resource Center. The Family Resource Program is a huge undertaking, consisting of extensive staff and volunteer training, expanded comprehensive and coordinated services, and impeccable accountability.

In addition to her work at OUR Center, Ms. Salazar has been recognized extensively in our greater community, honored with the Boulder County Community Action Service Award, Boulder County Branch Social Worker of the Year Award, Rotary’s McDonough Compassion Award, and the Friend of CSU Extension Award. Her professional and community involvement is extensive and has substantially increased OUR Center’s partnerships throughout Boulder County, the City of Longmont, and along the Colorado Front Range. We wish Ms. Salazar all the best in her well-deserved retirement.

Ms. Salazar has graciously agreed to maintain her executive director position as we search for a new director to lead us into this new chapter. The Executive Committee of the Board will be responsible for managing the application and interview process. If you have any questions or concerns during this transition, please contact Julia Rush of the executive committee, at jrush@jrushlaw.com, or by phone at 720-205-5361.