Dear Supporter,

We appreciate your donation towards the WISHLIST for The Family Center/ La Familia, serving Northern Colorado.

**Most people don't realize the severity of our childcare challenges in Colorado. You may be surprised to learn that:**

- Colorado is one of the states with the **HIGHEST COST** of child care. [source: CNBC]
- Colorado preschool teachers in district-run schools made **$30,500 on average** -- nearly **$22,000 less** than public elementary school teachers (and significantly under the national average) [source: The Colorado Sun]
- Nearly 9 out of 10 single mothers of color with a young child have income that is inadequate to cover basic needs. [source: The Women's Foundation of Colorado]

The Family Center /La Familia is making an incredible impact regarding these challenges: [source: 2018 statistics]

- Annually, our sliding fee program helps children distributing nearly **$100,000** in scholarships.
- Our childhood program serves nearly **70 children per day**.
- Our advocacy closet assists **over 150 families** each year with diapers and basic hygiene products.
- We are the only non-profit in Northern Colorado the specifically serves the **Latinx community**.
- Our **community garden** provides families with fresh vegetables. We also use this produce in our kitchen to create meals for the children in our early childhood program.
- Our family development program has **over 40 families** that our advocates see on a regular monthly basis and many more for periodic resource and referral or crisis intervention.

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**WISHLIST Items for The Family Center/ La Familia**

- Storage bins
- Copy paper, 8 1/2 X 11
- Construction Paper
- Glue: bottles and sticks
- Washable markers, thin and thick
- Colored pencils
- Water color paints
- Pipe Cleaners
- PomPom Puffs
- Popsicle Sticks
- Play Dough
- Stickers
- Masking tape, packaging tape, scotch tape
- Dry Erase markers
- Batteries- AA, AAA, C, D

With your support, we can grow our non-profit program, allowing parents to work/attend school, afford childcare, receive resources and assistance, and pay fair wages to our valuable staff. All we do for our Northern Colorado families is done through the focus of our core values: **Trust - Compassion - Diversity - Equity - Inclusion - Love**

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