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Jewish Family Service Receives \$40,000 Season to Share Grant Through the Denver Post Charities, a McCormick Foundation Fund

DENVER, Colo. — August 15, 2013 — Jewish Family Service (JFS) recently received a \$40,000 Season to Share grant through the Denver Post Charities, a McCormick Foundation Fund, for its Family Safety Net (FSN) program, which strives to prevent homelessness by promoting self-sufficiency. Most of the funds will go toward general operating expenses for this program to provide individuals and families in crisis care management, limited emergency financial assistance, and food.

The funds will also assist JFS to implement an innovative program, "Getting Ahead in a Just-Gettin'-by-World." This distinctive 40-hour workshop series helps families at risk for homelessness identify the underlying causes of poverty, increase financial literacy, and design a personalized action plan for escaping poverty and achieving long-term self-sufficiency.

Shelly Hines, FSN director, says, "This program has a proven track record of success and graduates in other communities have been able to identify and tap into resources within their families and the community at large to reach self-sufficiency. Through this initiative, JFS will be able to demonstrate a proof of concept of a new model for JFS and for Denver that has been successful in other communities around the country." She adds, "We are very grateful for this grant from the McCormick Foundation Fund, which will allow us to start this exciting new program."

The McCormick Foundation Fund supports programs and organizations that help low-income children, youth, and families overcome obstacles impeding progress out of poverty and toward stabilization and self-sufficiency.

About Jewish Family Service of Colorado

Jewish Family Service of Colorado (JFS) believes in strengthening the community by providing vital services to people in need. Every day, JFS helps people overcome life's challenges to live fuller, more meaningful lives. Founded in 1872, JFS is a nonsectarian, nonprofit human services agency serving metro Denver and Boulder. JFS helps seniors live independently at home, provides quality mental health counseling, offers training and job placement to those with developmental disabilities and other barriers to employment, and provides food and financial aid to people in crisis. Every year, the agency benefits more than 20,000 people of all ages, faiths, incomes, and abilities. For more information, call **303.597.5000** or visit www.jewishfamilyservice.org. Follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)!