2019 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Of the El Paso County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

In 2019, the El Paso County CDBG program received over \$1M in taxpayer dollars to be administered through local control, cycling them back into the community in the form of supportive services, infrastructure improvements, and advancing housing safety and accessibility. These projects help our neighborhoods build resiliency, allow seniors to age in place, and address the needs of underserved populations such as homeless youth and persons with disabilities.

PICTURE THE DIFFERENCE





BEFORE

AFTER

The city of Fountain made significant improvements to ADA accessibility in the Southmoor neighborhood, which increased community access to transportation, jobs, and nearby recreation.



Manitou Arts Center held a ribbon-cutting in April 2019 to celebrate the installation of their new ADA elevator. With this addition, the entire facility is now completely accessible to all members of the community.

THE STORIES BEHIND THE SUPPORT



303 children were provided with behavioral health assistance and support.



20 public housing units were rehabilitated to improve the safety and availability of access for first responders.



12 owner-occupied homes received urgent safety-related repairs, including new water heaters, furnaces, and sewer line replacements.



34 households received emergency rent/utility assistance and prevented potential homelessness.



26 homeless youth received outreach support and shelter resources.



100 residents of rural communities took advantage of a new shuttle service from Calhan to Colorado Springs.



170 women with limited means were assisted with employment training and preparation in Fountain.



The town of Calhan made infrastructure upgrades to their downtown area, improving community access to local businesses.