



# 2020 FACT SHEET

The Adams County Human Services Department works to protect children, administer financial assistance, food, and medical assistance to eligible county residents, and ensure children receive the financial and medical support they deserve from each parent. The department is committed to building strong communities by promoting the safety, independence, and stability of individuals and families.

## OUR CORE SERVICES

### Community Support Services

Community Support Services helps connect residents to federal and state assistance programs, such as Food Assistance, Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Child Care Assistance, Low-Income Energy Assistance, and Adult Financial Programs.

### Child Support Services

Child Support Services works with parents to eliminate poverty in children's lives by locating paying parents, establishing paternity, and providing services to establish, modify, and enforce child support and medical support orders. Our services also help parents overcome barriers such as unemployment, parenting time, and fatherhood matters.

### Child Protection Services

Child Protection Services provides protective services to children and youth following allegations of abuse and neglect. Our services also provide programs for teens with serious conflict and behavioral concerns and other services that help create strong and effective families.

### Adult Protection Services

Adult Protection Services provides protective services to at-risk adults and seniors following allegations of abuse and neglect.

### Workforce & Business Center

Adams County Workforce & Business Center helps residents, including youth and those with barriers to employment, access employment, education, work-based training, and support services to succeed in the labor market. We help employers hire and retain skilled workers.

### Head Start

Adams County Head Start helps prepare the most vulnerable preschool children in the county to succeed in school and in life beyond school by providing a high-quality, full-day preschool program for at least 256 children from low-income families. The program provides comprehensive services in core areas of early learning, health, and family well-being while engaging parents as partners every step of the way.

### Veteran Services

The Adams County Veteran Services Office assists Adams County residents who served in the U.S. Armed Forces, widows of Veterans, and Veterans dependents to obtain any and all Veterans Administration benefits for which they may be eligible.

## OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Adams County is committed to better service through various outreach and partnership efforts in Human Services. To this end, we provide a community partners lobby at our main Westminster location. Current partners include:

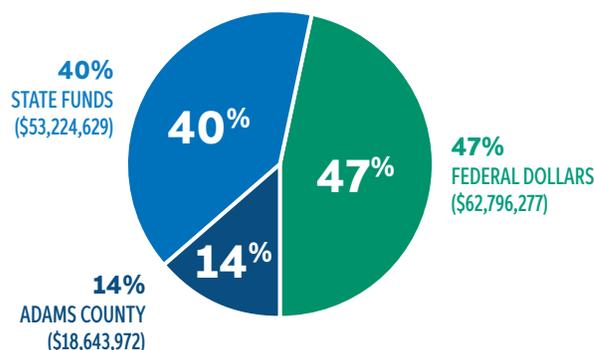
A Precious Child | Adams County Colorado State University (CSU) Extension | Center for People with Disabilities (CPWD) | A-Lift | Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) | Denver Indian Center | Denver Indian Family Resource Center | Denver Vet Center | Early Childhood Partnership of Adams County (ECPAC) | Family Tree | Foster Source | Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY) Program | Joyful Journeys | Let Your Light Shine | Maple Star | Maiker Housing Partners | The Senior Hub | Seniors' Resource Center | Servicios de La Raza | United for a New Economy (UNE) | Women, Infants, & Children (WIC)—Tri-County Health Department | Yahweh Health Care (YHC)

## OUR COUNTY

Adams County is the fifth-largest county in Colorado with a population of more than 515,000. Of those residents, 26.1% are under 18, 10.7% are 65 and over, and 9.3% live in poverty. There are also 26,796 veterans in Adams County.

## OUR FUNDING

The total amount spent on Adams County's Human Services programs in 2020 was nearly \$135 million, of which 47% was federal dollars (\$62,796,277), 40% was state funds (\$53,224,629), and 14% was the county's share paid with local taxes (\$18,643,972).



## CONTACT US

Adams County Department of Human Services has three convenient locations to serve our residents:

**PETE MIRELEZ**  
**HUMAN SERVICES CENTER**  
 11860 Pecos St. | Westminster, CO 80234

**AURORA SERVICE CENTER\***  
 3155 Chambers Rd., Unit C | Aurora, CO 80011  
*\*Eligibility/Workforce & Business Center Only*

**BRIGHTON**  
**WORKFORCE CENTER**  
 36 S. 18th Ave., #A | Brighton, CO 80601

**MAIN NUMBER**  
 720.523.2000

**SPECIAL NEEDS/TTY**  
 800.676.3777

**OPEN TUESDAY-FRIDAY**  
 7 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.  
**CLOSED HOLIDAYS\***  
*\*Holidays falling on a Monday will be observed on that Tuesday.*

## JOIN OUR TEAM

To learn about career opportunities with Adams County Human Services, visit

[ADCOGOV.ORG/EMPLOYMENT](https://adco.gov.org/employment)

# CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES



9K+  
9,176 Referrals for  
Child Abuse/Neglect

122  
Finalized Adoptions



116  
Children Reunified

# COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES



134,247  
Residents Received  
Medicaid Benefits



48,740  
Residents Received  
Food Benefits  
(22,255 households)

\$102M+  
Food Assistance  
Benefits Paid



# CHILD SUPPORT



\$35.9M+ Total Collections to Support Families  
and Children: \$35,970,258.67



12,045  
Families Served

92.1%  
Paternity  
Established



# WORKFORCE & BUSINESS CENTER



\$25.4M  
In Wages from Successfully  
Closed Cases Flowed Back  
into the Local Economy



13,468  
People Served



9,152  
Clients Employed within  
Six Months of Accessing  
Program Service



94.2%  
Average Wage Increase of  
Participants Six Months  
Following Completion of  
Our Services

# VETERAN SERVICES



28,508  
Veterans in Adams County

5,926  
Adams County veterans have  
a service-related disability

FIRST  
IN THE STATE

The Colorado Supreme Court  
accredited Adams County's 17th  
Judicial District Veterans Treatment  
Court—the first in the state.

# CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



\$13M+  
Child Care Subsidies:  
\$13,416,832

3,888  
Children Provided  
with Child Care



# ADULT PROTECTION SERVICES



1,216  
Referrals  
Received



73  
Average Ongoing  
Cases Monthly

# HEAD START



1,057  
Hours of Parent  
Engagement  
During the Year



183  
Children Enrolled  
in School Year

945  
Hours of Direct Instruction  
Provided to Children

# TANF

TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES

43.3%  
Work Participation Rate



816  
Clients with Job  
Placements

# LEAP

LOW INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



7,106  
Clients Served  
(Nov. 1 through April 30)

\$1.9M+  
\$1,916,514 in Aid

