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THE NEWS LETTER OF THE COLORADO FAMILY SUPPORT COUNCIL

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A Letter From the President

Lupe Abeyta, Boulder County Lupe has been involved in the Colorado Child Support program for 22 years. In 1992, she started in Clear Creek County and took on Gilpin County in 1994, in 1994, Lupe was transferred to Jefferson County but was still responsible for both counties, as well as additional special projects. In December 2007, took on a new challenge becoming Supervisor for Boulder County in the CSS program. She was particularly interested in being able to continue working cradle to grave with a team that encompassed all areas of the child support program. Been, involved with CFSC Council for 20 years off and

Letter from the President
This year Board Members are already
putting their heads together and getting
ideas for our 2015 Conference in
Steamboat! Vice-President Donna Gibbs,
our site Chair Shelbie Sundeen and I have
meet with Steamboat folks to begin the
process. As always I encourage
suggestions for sessions that you feel are
important. We would welcome
suggestions for trainers that you have
heard of that would be a value to have at
our conference. Please be in contact with
any of the board members, which are listed

on CFSC Website with your feedback.

The CFSC Board understands the importance of training at the conference one of the few places we actually have contact with other county staff. Who else in this world understands the stress that we have in doing child support better than other county partners? Who else will understand that the "Thank You"s don't come often, in the job we do every day to ensure the children in Colorado are supported. That feeling that we get when that lump sum comes in, who else can understand that but fellow child support workers?

This year our theme is "Back to the Future"... what would the world of child support look like in the future? With all the new technology that continues to grow, how will it impact our daily work? Here is a thought, in the movie "Back to the Future" the future was 2015, made in the 1985. Think about "what was different then that vision of the future" (where are my flying cars?), but also think about how far we HAVE come since 1985 programmatically and technologically.

The CFSC Board every year works hard, along with your suggestions, to provide the best trainings, and the best entertainment. This year is no exception

and we are working on new ideas and maybe making some changes that I believe will be good for everyone. Again, I encourage you all to contact us with any ideas you have, on what sessions or Key Note Speaker you heard that you feel would be great. Please, please feel free to contact me on ideas or concerns. This conference is for you all CSS workers.

I hope to see many of you at the 2015 CFSC Conference, in beautiful Steamboat, June 8th to June 10th, 2015.

Thank you for all that you do for our Colorado Children!

Lupe Abeyta CSFC President





Your Council Needs You!

Who are we looking for?

We are recruiting for the 2014-2015 CFSC Board of Directors. We are looking for people who operate effectively in a group setting, provide synergy for the rest of the team, and keep in mind the broader interests of the Membership.

Our Board of Directors is a vehicle through which talented and experienced individuals, are

able to add value by helping make key decisions,. Non-profits are defined by their customs, traditions, and practices and diversity on a nonprofit board is essential and helps embrace a more inclusive environment. "The most effective boards are those that are able to bring together a diverse group of

people that bring a range of thought and perspective," said Eckhart-Queenan. If you have any questions about becoming a board member please contact one of your board members or visit our website at www.cfscinc.org.

Meet Your Board

<u>Donna Gibbs – President-Elect</u>

I have been with Jefferson County Child Support Services for 14 years, starting as a tech and ending as Court Liaison, a job that entails working with a variety of individuals, attorneys and agencies, which makes it interesting and never boring. I was born in Germany, but raised in Lakewood Colorado. I have two great children and a grand kitty, who live in Lakewood and keep me busy. I enjoy gardening, cooking and reading.

Jerelyn Rhodes - Historian

I have been with Arapahoe County for seven years working in Enforcement. I started in Larimer County and thought it would be a great move to go to Weld County after two and a half years. Before all of this county hopping I was a stay-at-home mom and really loved every minute of it!! I was able to get my degree in Psychology from Bowie State University in Maryland. The psycho mumbo jumbo, as my son used to call it, has come in handy working with all the people we get to see and hear from ALL the time! I enjoy all kinds of crafts and am starting to make a quilt.

Kelley Gibler—NW Vice-President

Hi, I am Kelley Gibler and I have been in the child support world going on 21 years. I am a Colorado native and I have a fabulous husband, daughter and son-in-law. I love critters and have dogs, cats and parrots (there is never quiet time at our house!). I started my career in the 18th Judicial District (Arapahoe, Douglas, Elbert and Lincoln Counties) in February 1994 where I started in intake and worked my way up to supervisor. I worked in the 18th Judicial District for 13-1/2 years and left CSE in 2007 to see if the grass was greener on the private side. After 6 months I realized it was NOT! I came back to CSE working in Elbert County as the sole CSE person and in April, 2013 I accepted a job offer with Boulder County where I am a Legal Technician Manager. This is my third year of being on the CFSC.

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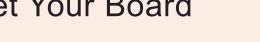
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Meet Your Board

Brandy Davis-Member At Large



This is my first year on the CFSC and I'm pretty excited about the opportunity. I came to Jefferson County Child Support in Spring 2011 and am a lead worker on one of our local Enforcement teams. I'm passionate about child support and the role our services play in the lives of families. Prior to this I've worked as a private probation officer, a juvenile municipal/county probation officer, and a trainer at Whole Foods Market. I grew up in Wyoming and came to Colorado when I started school at CSU. I have a Bachelor's degree in Social Work. I am married and have two furry babies – Phoenix (black lab) and Sherwood (diabetic-epileptic-one eyedarthritic kitty) – and we live in Lakewood. In my spare time I love to cook (even sometimes catering on the side) and I have a small health and wellness business I'm growing. I'm a Cancer Sun, Cancer Moon, Libra



Rising. Astrology is pretty cool, I think, and can give us insight into our own personalities and the personalities of others. I'm looking forward to meeting you all and learning more about you, too.

Sabrina Montoya—Secretary

Meet Sabrina Montoya your new CFSC Secretary. Sabrina began her child support journey in 2005 in the El Paso & Teller County office. She worked her way through all aspects of the program, from an admin assistant to supervising multiple programs to include, the Administrative Team, the Military Grant, the Parent Opportunity Program, Community Outreach, and Teller County CSS (yes, all at the same time). She continued her journey in Arapahoe County in 2012 and now has reached one of her goals this year by becoming apart of the State CSS

Policy Team. Sabrina loves her family. She has a wonderful husband Ben. Three children, Jozious 16 yrs old, Mallena 14 vrs old and Reuben 12 vrs old. And, we can't forget her 3 loving dogs, blue nose pitbull sisters Rosie and Bella and the ruler of them all Jazmine the little chuwinnie (dachshund and chihuahua mix). Sabrina is excited to be a part of CFSC and is ready to make our next conference one of the best.

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THEME Back to the Future

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2015 CONFERENCE JUNE 8 THROUGH JUNE 10 STEAMBOAT SPRINGS

The Colorado Family Support Council Conference will be held in beautiful Steamboat Springs. It will be June 8 through June 10. It promises to one of the best conferences ever so make plans now to attend. Your board members are working very hard to bring you the training sessions that will keep you excited about child support and let you take with you a wealth of information. All the members of the board look forward to seeing you in Steamboat Springs next year.