# TALKING PEACE



LONGMONT COMMUNITY

<u>JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP</u>



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"Restorative Justice is what love looks like in public."
Dr. Cornell West



## MISSION STATEMENT

LCJP builds community through collaborative and inclusive restorative practices and gives people the opportunity to heal and create justice in their community and the world.

## MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

#### Kathleen McGoey

2016 was an exciting year of new opportunities for LCJP. We moved out of our beloved Terry Street home of 10 years, and enjoyed enhanced visibility and stronger downtown partnerships in our new office space on Main Street. Jessica and I were delighted when we realized Longmont police officers would become regular visitors at our new location! The arrival of Judge Robert Frick to Longmont Municipal Court allowed a rich new collaboration to develop with court and probation. Our mighty staff of four celebrated its first full year as a team, and worked creatively to strengthen our Community Restorative Justice Program. And behind the scenes, our generous community of volunteers, board members, and donors kept the wheels turning to ensure that LCJP would continue to thrive throughout these transitions.

For me, a real highlight of the year was the introduction of LCJP's mission statement (above), created by the LCJP staff. I feel challenged, inspired and grateful to live by this mission with integrity: to be inclusive, collaborative, and just as we offer restorative justice and practices to support transformation, healing, and wholeness in our community.



Kathleen was Featured in Boulder Magazine's "People to Know" in Winter 2016

## Referrals

Harmed Parties and Persons: 109 **Responsible Persons: 194** 

**Cases: 131** 

**Top 5 Most Common Referrals:** Misdemeanor Theft Possession of Marijuana Fighting in Public Harassment **Criminal Mischief** 





## Conferences

Community Group Conferences: 68

**RESTORE Conferences: 6** 

Conference Participation

**Directly Harmed Persons: 15** 

Harmed Parties\*: 13

**Responsible Persons: 122** 

Harmed Parties\*: Representatives from Schools, Merchants and Other Communities that Participate in LCJP Conferences to Represent the Impact those Groups Experience from the Cases Referred to LCIP

## Volunteers

75% of Conference Roles 1,217 Total Hours Volunteered 103 Facilitator Roles 120 Community Member Roles 6 Interpreter Roles



## Hearing From...

#### Harmed Parties

"Thank you for this alternative justice. We have hope for the future now."

"I feel this had a positive impact on repairing harm."

"Police officer was very valuable. The community member offered very thoughtful input. I was impressed."

### **Responsible Persons**

"I had no idea how many more people I affected besides the ones I thought of. The victim had so much more to lose than I thought. This group really changed the way I make my actions."

"I really understand where the victim was coming from and respect her concerns."

"Really changed my view on law enforcement."

"It makes me be able to get closer to the community and get to know them better."



Harmed Parties
Satisfied with
LCJP



Harmed Parties
Feel the
Contract Was
Fair



Harmed Parties
Think Unlikely
Offender will
Reoffend



## Bilingual Spanish

14 Spanish Speaking Clients Referred

7 Bilingual Conferences
1 Monolingual Conference
4 Volunteer Interpreters



# LCJP and Police Liaisons Meet over

## Satisfaction Rates

100% of Harmed Parties and Responsible
Persons Felt Their Voices were
Adequately Considered

96% of Conference Participants Felt Tone of the Conference was Friendly

94% of Conference Participants Had a
Positive Attitude Toward the Responsible
Person

## Police Officers

88% of Conferences Attended by Police
210 Hours Participating in Conferences
61 Police Officers Referred a Case to LCJP
100% of Participating Police Assess
Contract was Fair
100% of Participating Police Saw
Conference as Good Experience



## Hearing From...

#### **Police Officers**

"[Responsible person] seemed to be less devastated when she left. The facilitator handled the emotion beautifully."

"I think this is what the offender needed."

"[Responsible person] was truly sorry, and held himself fully accountable."

### **Community Members**

"I feel really satisfied with the contract created, and it is very clear the responsible person thought deeply about her actions."

"I appreciate that this program supports self-advocacy for youth."

"I am so grateful to be a part of the RJ movement. It is so amazing and powerful."

"I'm always impressed with the Longmont officers."



Police Satisfied with LCJP



Community Members Think Contract Was Fair



Community
Members Satisfied
with way Police
Handled the Case



## Trainings Hosted

**Total Trainings Hosted: 50** 

Trainings for LCJP Volunteers: 30
Trainings for Longmont Public Safety: 8
Decision-Making Workshops: 7
Schools-Based Restorative Practices: 5





Paula Enjoying Advanced
Facilitator Training

79 Educators from 34 Schools

Colorado Residents from 29 Cities

84 Police and Public Safety Staff

## Training Outcomes

79 Educators from 34 Schools Attended LCJP's Trainings for Restorative Practices in Schools

26 Staff Members from 13 Youth-Serving Agencies Attended LCJP Trainings

LCJP's Peer to Peer Dinners included a presentation from Longmont Police's Victim Services Coordinator, Maciel Leon, as well as an introduction to and tour of the Longmont Youth Center.



## Hearing From...

## **Training Attendees**

"The LCJP Trainers are informed, experienced and open to helping in the way I needed."

"The information was delivered in a clear manner, and the trainer was very easy to work with and well organized."

"Excellent pace, relationship building, fun presentation, important information, great about checking-in with us"

"It was a big time commitment, but not a second wasted-- every bit of the content was valuable."

"The role plays were very realistic-- I've seen just those situations before. I liked having a safe space to practice in the training."

"The trainers were willing to answer questions, clarify and address concerns, and give feedback in a constructive way."

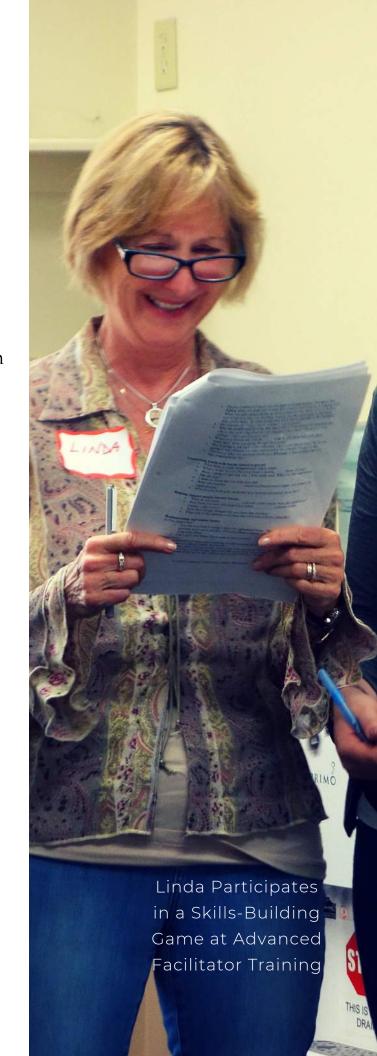
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Volunteer Service
Hours Performed
by LCJP
Volunteers

387

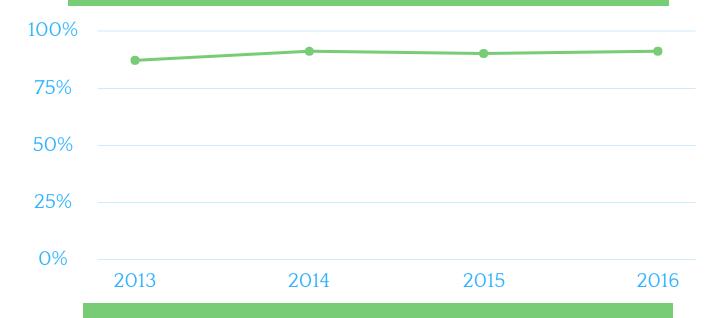
Individuals Attended LCJP Trainings 48

Schools and
Youth Serving
Agencies Staff
were Trained by
LCIP



## Giving People the Opportunity to

## Create Justice in Their World



## CONTRACT COMPLETION RATES REMAIN CONSISTENT OVER LAST 4 YEARS

#### 87%-91%

LCJP Contract Completion Rates from 2013-2016

#### 99%

Conference Participants Feel the Contract was Fair to the Harmed Party

#### 99%

Conference Participants Feel the Responsible Person was Held Accountable

#### 98%

Conference Participants
Think the Responsible Person
is Likely to Complete the
Contract

#### 99%

Conference Participants Feel Their Opinion was Adequately Considered LCJP utilizes a strengths-based approach to restorative justice. This approach requires conference participants to learn about the responsible person's strengths, as well as consider ways the individual's skills and interests may be incorporated into restorative actions for the contract. The strengths-based approach invites the conference participants to see the person who caused harm as a whole person, and affords the person making repairs a chance to feel seen as someone with a unique potential to positively affect the lives of those they harmed and others in their community.

LCJP believes the strengths-based approach supports the consistently high rate at which responsible persons follow through with their commitments to repair harms and complete their contracts.

## LCJP'S ANNUAL APPRECIATION PARTY

Recognizing and Celebrating the Volunteers and Community that Make Restorative Justice Possible



## Making New Connections



## Restorative Justice on Main Street

LCJP brought restorative justice to Main Street in May of 2016. After thriving for nearly a decade in the beloved home at 333 Terry Street, the new location is conveniently located within the Longmont Area Chamber of Commerce. The Main Street Office location offers LCJP more visibility, a stronger community presence, more connections with community agencies and an increase in friendly visitors to our office!

## Longmont Municipal Court & Probation

LCJP's Community Restorative Justice Program began working with Longmont Municipal Court and Probation after Longmont Municipal Court's Judge Frick requested that all defendants participate in LCJP "as appropriate." The municipal court has referred nearly one case every month since the referral method was established, and CRJ expects this monthly average will continue to increase.



Above: Abby, Genevieve, and Jess excitedly welcome Longmont Municipal Judge, Robert Frick at LCJP's 2016 Appreciation Party

## **Expanding RJ Practices**

## LCJP Launches RESTORE

LCJP launched the RESTORE conference model for shoplifting cases in June 2016. The model brings together up to 6 responsible persons referred for shoplifting, an officer who is assigned to support local retailers with shoplifting, a loss prevention representative from a local store, and a community representative. Launching RESTORE gave experienced facilitators an opportunity to learn a new way to use their restorative skills, increased the number of responsible persons who heard directly from the harmed party, and greatly reduced the amount of time clients referred for shoplifting waited to attend a conference.





## LCJP Presents at Colorado RJ Conference

All four of LCJP's staff were selected to present at the Colorado RJ conference in Vail, Colorado in September 2016.
Kathleen and Jess presented restorative justice games for skill-building, while Abby and Sophia presented on using a strengths-based approach in restorative practices. Several LCJP volunteers also attended the conference in Vail, demonstrating the program staff and volunteers' commitment to enhancing restorative practices in Longmont.

## Showcasing the Effects

## LCJP's Full-Length Documentary

LCJP's story, details about a cemetery vandalism case, and testimonies from the Longmont Police Chief, Boulder District Attorney, a police officer and several harmed and responsible persons are now accessible 24/7. Rich Lukon and Longmont's Channel 8 generously donated time and resources to create an hour-long documentary about LCJP. The documentary, which is available for free on YouTube.com, aims to inform and educate communities around the world about LCJP's impact and success in Longmont.



Find "LCJP: Transforming Our Approach to Justice" on YouTube.com Today!



# Premiering LCJP's Documentary

To bring awareness to this new educational resource in the RJ community, LCJP hosted a documentary screening in the Longmont Museum's Stewart Auditorium to premiere the film in March 2016. Nearly 200 community members and RJ supporters attended the reception and screening. Kathleen facilitated a thought provoking Q&A session following the screening, which included the documentary's producer, Rich Lukon, alongside 5 people who provided testimony for the documentary.

# DOCUMENTARY SCREENING



Top Left: Jessica embraces LCJP Documentary director and producer, Rich Lukon, as he is recognized for giving over 2 years to make the documentary a success!

Top Center: The Documentary Screening took place at Longmont Museum's state-of-the-art Stewart auditorium.

Bottom: Documentary producer Rich Loukon answers a question during the Q&A session following the documentary's premiere screening. Also pictured are two RJ student team members, Anton Dworak, an LCJP client featured in the film, and Longmont High School Resource Officer, Jason Malterud.

## Training with Integrity

## Longmont Police Trainings

In 2016, LCJP trained more than 80 Longmont Public Safety Staff. Before they are eligible for duty, all new officers participate in an LCJP orientation in which staff review the basics of restorative justice, as well as how police may assess and complete a referral to the program in lieu of writing a ticket or making an arrest. In addition to New Officer Orientations, LCJP reviews how to successfully refer cases with all officers during annual in-service trainings. LCJP's standing opportunity to train officers demonstrates Longmont Department of Public Safety's commitment to restorative justice and its partnership with LCJP.





## Longmont Human Resources Training

Public Safety Chief Mike Butler has been an advocate and champion of expanding the use of restorative approaches to address conflict throughout the city. His advocacy led to LCJP providing training in the restorative conferencing model to the City of Longmont Human Resources Partner Team. This training prepared the HR team to use a restorative approach to address employee relations issues, with a focus on restoring trust and reintegrating team members after conflict has occurred.

## LEARNING THROUGH PRACTICE

LCJP's Trainings Emphasize Interactive Skills-Building Activities



**Interactive Skills-Building Activities** 

## LCJP in the News

LCJP Made Numerous Headlines in 2016, Raising Awareness for Restorative Justice Practices!

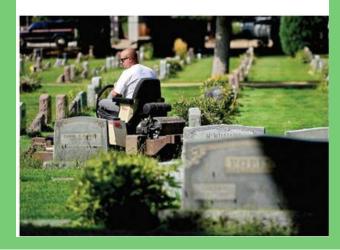




## Restored: Justice for Longmont cemetery vandals is taking different courses

By Amelia Arvesen Staff Writer

POSTED: 08/30/2016 07:20:04 PM MOT UPDATED: 08/31/2016 07:23:21 AM MOT



Longmont Times Call, August 30, 2016

#### Longmont Community Justice Partnership expects 50 more referrals in 2017

By Amelia Arvesen

Staff Writer

POSTED: 13/01/2016 05:20:17 PM MST UPDATED: 12/01/2016 06:12:57 PM MST



Longmont Times Call, December 1, 2016

## Supporting LCJP

Help People Create Justice in Their World



Volunteers Playfully Pose with Their New Friends after Facilitator Training

## 3 Ways to Get Involved

#### LEARN

Hire LCJP to train your group or organization. Contracted trainings are specially tailored for your group's restorative practices needs.

#### **DONATE**

Visit www.LCJP.org to donate online, as well as join the mailing list to learn about fundraising events and opportunities.

#### **VOLUNTEER**

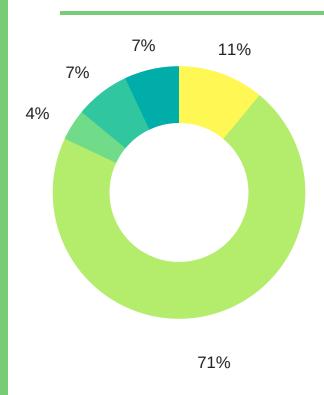
Attend one of LCJP's monthly Restorative Practices Orientations to get started.

## LCJP Surpasses 2016 Fundraising Goal by 22%

Thanks to our wide community of supporters, LCJP fundraised \$30,500 through individual donors this year! With a robust year-end campaign and a marked increase in donor contributions, LCJP celebrated a successful year of fundraising that will enable us to grow our staff and services in 2017. We are so appreciative of every gift. Each dollar received by LCJP enables us to develop, refine, and expand our life-changing services to give people a second chance to make things right.

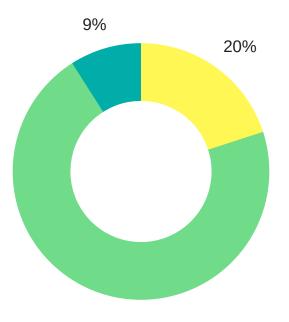


# 2016 Statement of Finances



#### Revenue

Total Revenue	\$355,481
Other Income	\$217
In-Kind	\$14,742
Foundations & Grants	\$24,750
Individuals & Businesses	\$25,455
Training & Program Revenue	\$38,118
Government Grants	\$252,199



#### Expenses

Total Expenses	\$355,481
Fundraising	\$29,461
Management and General	\$66,625
Program Services	\$235,155

## 2017 DONORS

#### **Individual Donors**

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"LCJP Provides an effective way to address crime that makes our city safer. LCJP's restorative justice processes hold offenders accountable for their wrongdoing and ensure that victims and other harmed parties' needs are met. I am impressed by LCJP's professionalism and I am committed to supporting their work in our community."

## 2017 DONORS

#### **Foundations**

Avery & Mildred Caldwell Family Fund
Benedict Family Fund
Community First Foundation
Community Foundation Serving Boulder County
Eberspacher Family Fund
Flanders Family Fund
Longmont Community Foundation
Norris Family Fund
Simmons Family Fund
William & Nancy Berry Charitable Fund



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#### **Local Government**

City of Longmont Colorado Division of Criminal Justice



Supporting LCJP is an important way I can participate in essential, constructive change in my community. This organization so effectively demonstrates what is possible when commitment, integrity and clarity of purpose are applied to critical community issues.

I am proud to be a part of LCJP."

- Karin Higgins, LCJP Board Chair & Donor

"I'm very thankful for this option."
-Harmed Party