



## DECC Weekly Update: Friday, September 11, 2015

**TEAM DECC presents:** Julie Flores, Dept. of Finance, Controller's Office  
**Featured Nonprofit:** Mental Health Center of Denver (MHCD)

My son was diagnosed with Paranoid Schizophrenia at age 18. This disease is debilitating to the individual and the family. I was terrified. There is so much social stigma around mental illness that I was at a loss at where to even begin. We went to Mental Health Center of Denver for education, counseling, and psychiatric care. We were treated with compassion and given information regarding services and supportive care. Without this initial support and guidance, we could not have survived the early stages. We continue receiving services and my son is able to enjoy a better quality of life.

Please join me in supporting Mental Health Center of Denver and the vital services they provide to our community.



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This week's featured agency: **Mental Health Center of Denver (MHCD)**



### **Mission Statement**

Enriching lives and minds by focusing on strengths and recover.

Mental health recovery guides our work at the Mental Health Center of Denver. With one in every five people in the community struggling with mental illness at some point in their lifetime, our focus on recovery and resilience is essential to the community's well-being. Recovery means that people with mental illness are living healthy, productive and meaningful lives in our community. Resilience focuses on early intervention and prevention, and promoting positive potential in children, adolescents and families.

We are Denver's source for comprehensive and accessible mental health and substance abuse treatment, housing, education and employment services for adults and the leading resource of treatment for children, teens and families. Each adult, family or child we serve has access to our full range of services. Our mission of enriching lives and minds by focusing on strengths and recovery comes to life each day as we work with our community partners and those we serve to create lasting opportunities for mental health recovery.

Click [here](#) to learn more about Mental Health Center of Denver.