



# collaboration



## Sustainability

### SUSTAINABILITY TAX VICTORY

We are thrilled that Boulder County Issue 1C Sustainability Sales and Use Tax Extension passed by 70% countywide. Moreover, a majority of the voters in every single precinct in Boulder voted yes for 1C, reflecting the overwhelming breadth and depth of support for sustainability programs across the county. The Environmental Sustainability Matching Grant program will continue with support from the Sustainability Tax starting in 2020 to help address priority environmental sustainability needs of cities and towns in Boulder County.

### COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS FOR CLIMATE ACTION

- Boulder County initiated the establishment of the Colorado Communities for Climate Action (CC4CA) to bring about climate protection policy and actions on a statewide and regional scale. We invite the Town of Superior to join the consortium, which now has 14 local governments engaged across Colorado.
- Boulder County and municipalities throughout the county are collaborating on a carbon sequestration analysis with Colorado State University to determine the feasibility of sequestering additional carbon in soils in agriculture fields, forests, grasslands/rangelands, and urban/residential properties.

### HOME AND BUSINESS SUSTAINABILITY

Since 2011, EnergySmart has served 233 homes in Superior and 16,106 households countywide.

Similarly,

Partners for a Clean Environment (PACE) has served 15 Superior businesses and 4,250 countywide.



### SOLAR

Working with the non-profit solar developer, Grid Alternatives, Boulder County is actively working toward developing solar gardens for interested partner municipalities.



### ZERO WASTE

With Town of Superior representation, the Resource Conservation Advisory Board (RCAB) is providing valuable insight on how to achieve a ZW future for Superior and Boulder County.



## Sustainability Matching Grant

2017

Funds were used to redesign and expand the yard waste drop-off site. The site has an estimated capacity increase of over 80% resulting in increased composting, tree-limb management, and diversion from the landfill.

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## Transportation

### TRANSIT/RTD COORDINATION

- Boulder County has been working with Superior on obtaining Transportation Improvement Project funding that will be used for RTD's Call-n-Ride service and a new sidewalk connection along Marshall Drive to the new Davidson Mesa/U.S. 36 underpass
- The county and the town have successfully collaborated on the design, construction, and operation of a new Bike-n-Ride shelter for safe, and weather-protected storage of bicycles at the McCaslin Park-n-Ride.
- Staff has worked well together on the implementation of the U.S. 36 managed lands and RTD's Flatiron Flyer, which brought Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) to the U.S. 36 corridor.

### REGIONAL COLLABORATION

- We've worked side-by-side through the 36 Mayors and Commissioners Coalition and Commuting Solutions and Transportation Management Organization, which now has a representative from the Superior Chamber of Commerce
  - And we've also worked diligently together on the West Connects Public and Environmental Linkages Study.
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## Parks & Open Space

### MANAGEMENT PLAN

Boulder County amended the Marshall-Superior-Coalton Trail Corridor Management Plan in 2017 at the request of the Town of Superior for a short trail connection from the Mayhoffer Singletree Trail to the Coal Creek Crossing neighborhood.

### TRAIL REQUESTS

- **Trail connection from the U.S. 36 Underpass at Davidson Mesa, with a crossing at Marshall Road to link to Mayhoffer Singletree Trail** and to the larger regional trail system.  
**Status:** BCPOS is lead on this one and has participated in discussions with Louisville and the Town of Superior about a possible connection to the Mayhoffer-Singletree trail and is committed to finding a solution that will work for all agencies involved.
- **Trail connection link to Meadowlark Trail and possible trailhead at the newly acquired Shan-Shan Chu property.** This trail will link from the southwestern corner of the Shan-Shan Chu property to the Meadowlark Trail west of McCaslin Boulevard and south of Depot Street in Original Superior.  
**Status:** Superior is the lead on this project. Trail connections in this area were addressed by the recently updated Marshall-Superior-Coalton Trail Corridor Management Plan. Additions and changes would therefore need to be evaluated through an amendment process for the plan. BCPOS has a CE on the Chu property that allows for Passive Recreation use and other improvements that we believe will work with this request.
- **Improve surface and safety of Coalton Trail to a standard consistent with Meadowlark Trail.** This project will include changing the former roadbed to a more typical trail profile by re-grading and re-vegetating this long, straight trail segment. This will enhance the user experience by changing the character of the segment to be similar to surrounding trails.



**Status:** BCPOS is the lead. Trails in the area south of Coalton Road will be considered as part of the South County Grasslands Management Plan, scheduled to kick off in the next 2-4 years.

- **Link between Mayhoffer Singletree Trail and Coal Creek Regional Trail.** The Mayhoffer Singletree Trail and Meadowlark Trail meet at 3rd Avenue with an interim link to the Coal Creek Regional Trail near Town Hall that scales the berm up to McCaslin Boulevard and then north along the roadway to the bridge over Coal Creek. The Town and Boulder County have coordinated in the past to plan a permanent link to CCRT via the rail bed and north below McCaslin Blvd and across the creek. The interim link has proven to be very popular. The Town has budgeted to build a pedestrian bridge as part of this overall plan.

**Status:** The permanent trail connection is on Boulder County Transportation's CIP list allowing wider trail widths for crossing Coal Creek and gradual trail grades for accessibility.

- **Coalton Trail south to Hwy 128 and west to 66th Street.** This trail recommendation will parallel McCaslin Blvd traveling south of the Coalton Trail, utilizing the topography of the properties as a buffer from the roadway. The trail will head west towards South 66th and connect with City of Boulder/Greenbelt Plateau and potential regional connections to the south.

**Status:** BCPOS is the lead for this. Trails in the area south of Coalton Road will be considered as part of the South County Grasslands Management Plan, scheduled to kick off in the next 2-4 years.



- **Add access to the Meadowlark Trail off McCaslin Blvd. near High Plains Drive.** This short trail connection will follow an existing social trail that leads from High Plains Drive to the existing Meadowlark Trail.

**Status:** Superior is the lead for this. This trail is not identified in the Marshall-Superior-Coalton Trail Corridor Management Plan, so additions and changes would therefore need to be evaluated through an amendment process for this plan. BCPOS did provide the Town of Superior a modified potential connection in this area that could be considered for a potential amendment.

#### OPEN SPACE REQUESTS

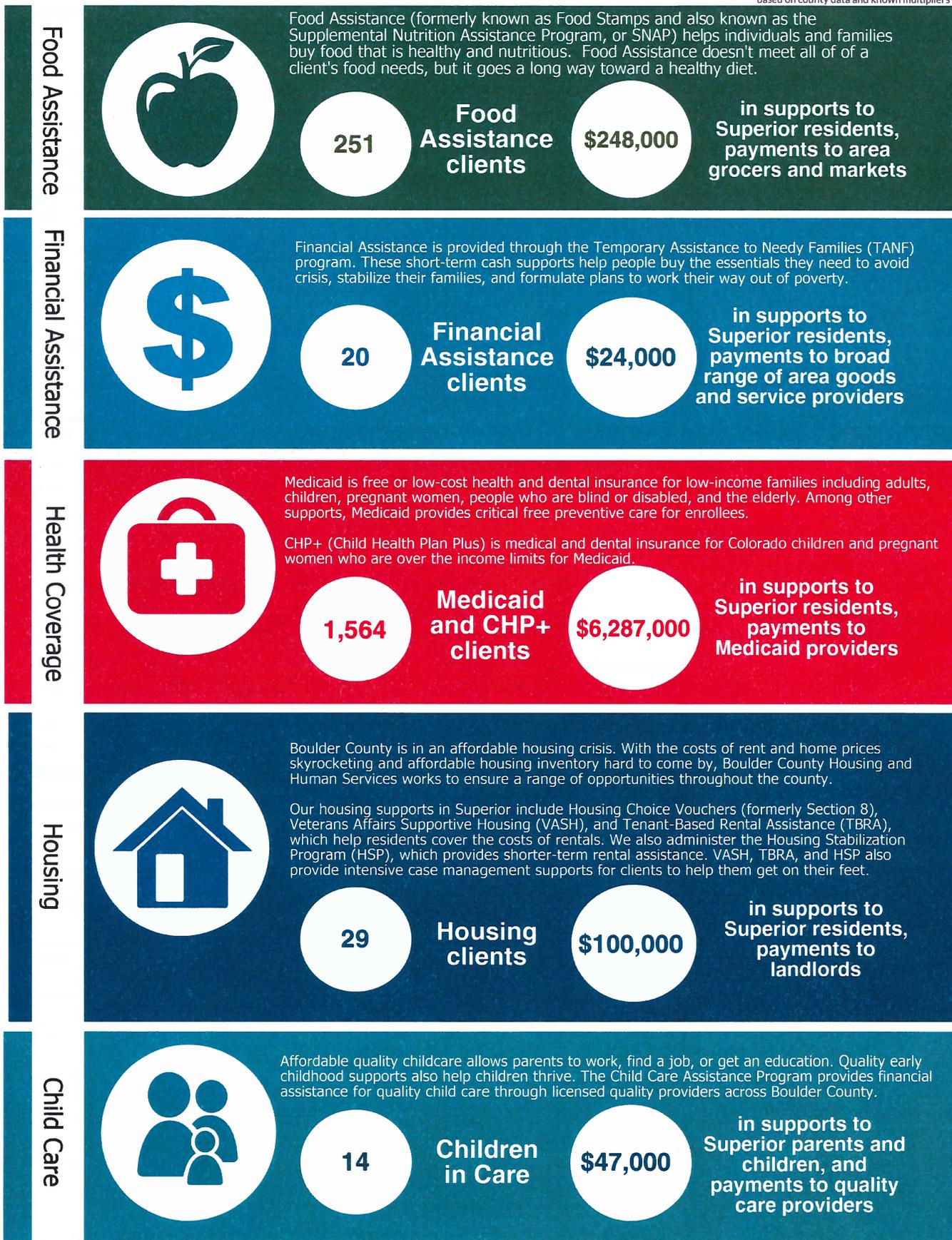
- **Level 3:** Boulder County is willing to consider participating in the purchase of this property, depending on price and terms, if funding is available.
- **Zaharias:** Boulder County has no acquisition plans in this area because the property has been annexed and is within Superior town limits. However, if Superior is able to negotiate to purchase a portion of this property, Boulder County would consider partnering with the Town if funding is available.
- **Bolejack:** Boulder County is willing to consider participating to purchase this property, depending on price and terms, if funding is available.

# Services to Superior residents

Superior population (2016): 13,155



In 2016, Boulder County Housing & Human Services oversaw nearly 1,900 supports to Superior residents. These supports and their financial impacts\* are outlined below. \*based on county data and known multipliers



# 9 <sup>+ 3 CHARTS</sup> FACTS AFFORDABLE HOUSING NEED IN SUPERIOR, CO

FOR SALE HOUSING VACANCY

<1%



MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

\$117,557

30% of Superior households make less than \$75,000 per year.

HOUSING STOCK VALUED ABOVE \$300K

82%



MEDIAN HOME COST

\$523,300



COST OF LIVING

58% ABOVE U.S. AVERAGE

HOUSING COST-BURDENED RENTERS

41%

Over 30% of their household income goes toward housing.



AVERAGE MONTHLY RENT

\$2400

Zillow Rent Index Apr 2014 - Apr 2015

POPULATION RENTING

31%



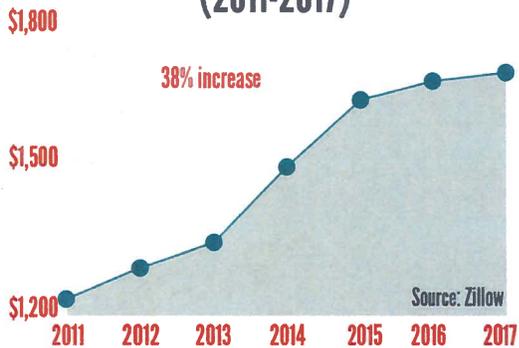
SUPERIOR RESIDENTS

630 IN POVERTY

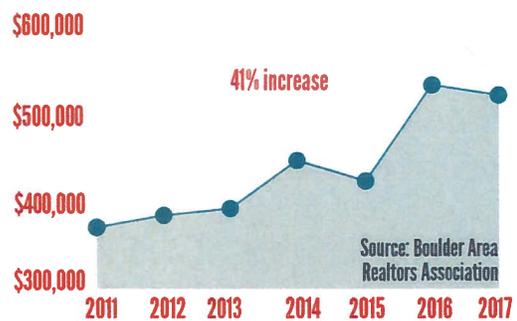
The poverty threshold for a family of 4 (2 adults, 2 children) is an annual income of \$24,008. Census Bureau, 2014

Sources: U.S. Census Data & Estimates; Zillow, Citi-Data.com, Sperling's

Average Monthly 2BR Rents in Superior (2011-2017)



Average Home Sales Prices in Superior (2011 - 2017)



% Cost-Burdened Renters in Superior



Sources: U.S. Census Data & Estimates; Zillow



