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### *The Colorado H.E.A.R. Project*

Helping Children Hear through  
Early Intervention, Amplification, and Rehabilitation

H.E.A.R. is a non-profit, all volunteer organization with 95% of donations used directly for patient care and financial assistance. Founded in 1999, the H.E.A.R. Project provides financial assistance to Colorado children who are deaf or hard of hearing

and do not qualify for public funding. The H.E.A.R. Project provides funding for amplification, rehabilitation and associated services. Approximately 30,000 children in Colorado have a significant hearing impairment. It is estimated that 2,500 to 3,000 children have hearing loss that requires hearing aids or cochlear implants to be able to hear. Hearing aids may cost up to \$6,000 per child and are rarely covered by health insurance. Public funding for hearing care is only provided to families with extremely limited incomes, leaving many Colorado children without appropriate amplification. The H.E.A.R. Project's goal is to ease the family's financial burden and to assure that children receive the hearing care that they need to thrive developmentally, socially and academically. (For additional information visit <http://www.hearproject.org>)

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