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2016 Governor's Service Awards Honor Outstanding Volunteers Across Colorado

Denver, CO - Thursday, Sep. 15, 2016 - Lt. Gov. Donna Lynne today recognized ten individuals and organizations that have positively impacted Colorado communities at the 2016 Governor's Service Awards ceremony. The Governor's Service Awards are presented in recognition and appreciation to individuals, community/civic leaders, nonprofit organizations, SeniorCorps volunteers, and AmeriCorps members for their outstanding contributions to volunteerism and service throughout Colorado.

"This indomitable spirit, this drive to help our neighbor, to lift up those who have fallen down, is the spirit of Colorado," said Lynne. "This spirit is evidenced today in the actions of those we have come together to honor."

The Governor's Service Awards are presented by Serve Colorado, the Governor's Commission on Community Service. Serve Colorado promotes community service throughout the state to build a culture of citizenship, service, and individual responsibility. The Governor's Service Awards are held to acknowledge those who embody the ideals of community service and have made a significant impact in the lives of Coloradans. Colorado Governors, current and past, recognize the importance of all Coloradans in solving statewide issues, and for the past 20 years have honored volunteers who have made profound change in their communities.

Honorees:

Outstanding Volunteer: Wendell Schuler
Outstanding Veteran Volunteer: Frank Perkins
Outstanding Community Leader: Julie Reiskin
Outstanding Nonprofit Organization: Community Reach Center
Outstanding AmeriCorps State/National Member: Lyndsey Williams
Outstanding AmeriCorps VISTA Member: Grace Fullmer
Outstanding AmeriCorps NCCC Member: NCCC Team Sun 2
Outstanding Senior Corps Volunteer: Steve Austin
Outstanding AmeriCorps Alumni: Garrett Brownlee Plantz
Outstanding Returning Peace Corps Volunteer: Steve Werner

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