AUDIO INFORMATION NETWORK OF COLORADO

Joint Coalition Assistance Fund (JCAF) 2017 Summary Report

The Audio Information Network of Colorado (AINC) is very appreciative of the \$2,000 donation made by the JCAF. AINC used the funds in December to serve 428 seniors in Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, and Jefferson Counties. These individuals have vision loss or another condition that impacts their ability to read. Listeners had access to all of AINC's programming. JCAF funds helped provide the local newspapers for these seniors. AINC's volunteers read and recorded 210 hours of local newspapers from the seven counties listed above. The JCAF donation paid for the production of 40 of these hours.

AINC's 2017 Annual Listener Survey showed the following benefits/outcomes:

- 80% experienced increased self-sufficiency
- 55% acquired information that improved their community connection
- 52% gained knowledge

Individuals listened to their local newspaper more than any other type of publication.

Here are the listener quotes:

"What a treasure. AINC provides me opportunities to access local news and more. What I appreciate the most is the constant improvements to the system allowing me simple access by turning one simple button to information on demand through telephone service and downloadable information and streaming on the computer. With so many choices, I am able to access local news and stay connected with activities and events relevant to me and my family. More than simply attending a local harvest parade, but gaining knowledge of the entire day's events and sites."

Debra J.

"I really really enjoy it. Listening to these programs is very beneficial. One can learn a lot about what is going on in their community and around the world. It's like having company in the house. I truly love the children's programming! Everyone who is shut in should have this radio because you get to listen to news that otherwise you wouldn't get to know.

Patricia M.

"Your programming gives me a recreational outlet because I'm home bound. It helps me be more alert. I think it is very helpful. As I'm listening I wonder where the different places are that the broadcasts talk about. It helps my quality life."

Connie R.

"Listening to the programs makes you feel like you're not so isolated and not so alone. It keeps me company."

Bev C.

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