



Salt Lake City, November 11, 2020

**Letter of Introduction
To All CDI Migrant and Seasonal Head Start Employees – Colorado and Nevada**

Centro de la Familia (**Centro**) has been awarded the Migrant and Seasonal Head Start grant to provide expanded comprehensive services to 186 children in Colorado and Nevada, 122 and 64, respectively.

Centro is a non-profit agency established in 1975 to promote social equity for underserved families in Utah. In April of this year, Centro celebrated its 45th anniversary as an agency and its 29th year serving Migrant and Seasonal Head Start children. It is only fitting that we enter our third decade of service with a strong program presence in the Colorado and Nevada service areas.

Centro's current service options include center-based Migrant and Seasonal Head Start, Head Start, Early Head Start and Head Start Childcare Partnerships. Centro's core competencies include (a) high level of parent engagement, (b) the ability to monitor and manage programs in isolated rural service areas, and (c) a capacity for professional development at all levels of the organization.

During our transition from CDI to Centro, our two immediate objectives are:

- (1) to leverage the commitment and experience of local Head Start staff in a seamless continuation of service for all currently enrolled children and families, and**
- (2) offer current, qualified CDI employees the right of first refusal to all opened positions in Colorado and Nevada.**

We understand that change can be unsettling. We hope to alleviate many of your concerns during a **Zoom call scheduled for Tuesday, November 17, at 2 pm MT (1 pm in Nevada)**. During this call, you will hear from our management team and content area experts who will explain our plan for the transition of services in your areas. We will also leave time for a Q&A session.

In the meantime, feel free to visit our webpage to learn more about Centro. We have updated our website to include all open positions for Colorado and Nevada. Please visit www.cdlf.org for more information. You can also find us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

We are humbled and excited to join you in serving the children and families of our farmworkers in Nevada and NW Colorado.

Sincerely,

Gonzalo Palza, CEO
Head Start Program Director
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