



Dear Supporter:

"Mentoring Matters". "Everyone has had a mentor at some point in their lives". "Children are our future". Whether you saw it on a television commercial with a famous actor like Sting, spotted an ad in a national magazine or heard it on a radio commercial, you've most likely heard these phrases before. For 29 years, Partners Mentoring Youth has been attached to these phrases throughout Larimer County and has been instrumental in mentoring thousands of children in that time. In 2007 alone, Partners supported 263 youth in both mentoring relationships and the Nexus program, continuing the work of previous years in serving the needs of Larimer County youth. Partners is also proud of the following accomplishments in 2007:

- Received 17,543 hours of volunteer time, with mentors spending 13,696 hours of that time working directly with youth
- Children matched in Partners' mentoring program come out having greater self-esteem, a more positive future orientation, have less delinquent behavior and less interest in using drugs and alcohol (based on data from the Partners Mentoring Services Effectiveness Index)
- Continued focus on the best match possible; more than half of the mentoring Partnerships are in the alumni program, meaning they have fulfilled their one-year commitment, but have chosen to continue their Partnership
- Added a bilingual case management staff position, allowing Partners to serve a wider range of youth throughout Larimer County
- Substantially reduced the waiting period for youth to be matched with a mentor
- Diversified funding, thanks to the contributions of state and local government, foundations, individual and corporate donors, grants and special events, which together raised \$556,638
- Developed an Organizational Strategic Marketing Plan and added a staff position focused on marketing and recruitment

Partners proudly serves Fort Collins, Loveland, Estes Park and surrounding communities. On behalf of the youth we serve, Partners' Board of Directors and staff thanks you for your continued support.



Bob Banta, Chairman of the Board



Chris Imsland, Executive Director

"It has shown me that not every person who walks into your life will walk out. My Partner has been there through the good and the bad times. She has never given up on me." Junior Partner, age 16.



The mission of Partners Mentoring Youth is to create and support one-to-one mentoring relationships between positive adult role models and youth facing challenges in their personal, social and academic lives.

