

## Easterseals Colorado Announces Groundbreaking for New InterGenerational Center with Generous Gift from American Furniture Warehouse

**Denver (July 17, 2017)** – [Easterseals Colorado](#) is pleased to announce the beginning of construction on their new InterGenerational Center thanks to countless donors, including a generous gift from [American Furniture Warehouse](#) (AFW).

Easterseals Colorado purchased the Harlan Street building, just around the corner from their Lakewood headquarters that houses the Vestal Center. At the end of August, programs in the current Vestal Center will begin moving to the new Harlan Street Building. Once vacated, renovations will begin on the Vestal Center, thereby creating an InterGenerational Center. Both the InterGenerational Center and the Harlan Street Building will enable Easterseals Colorado to develop new programming and expand existing services to meet the great needs of today and those in the future.

Once complete, the new rehabbed InterGenerational Center will include the following programs: Overnight Respite Care, Warm Water Therapy Pool, Stroke Recovery Day Program and Rehabilitation Services. The Harlan Street building will also experience renovations and will include the following programs: Community Transit, Employment, Adult Day, Lifespan Respite, Administration, and Disability Benefits Services.

Easterseals founder, Edgar Allen, said it best, "It's not what we take, but what we give." There are countless people and organizations that exemplify this message and Easterseals Colorado will recognize them for their commitments at a Groundbreaking Ceremony on Tuesday, July 18, 2017.

An extra special thanks and recognition goes out to the project's largest funder, [American Furniture Warehouse](#). AFW has generously donated all the new furniture for both sites, in addition to funding kitchen renovations at the new InterGenerational Center, making it more accessible for those Easterseals Colorado serves. A total gift of more than \$300,000 for this project and more than \$2 million dollars since AFW's original gift in 1980.

Easterseals Colorado is thrilled for construction to begin on the new InterGenerational Center and witness the opportunities it will bring to reach more people and families in the community.

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### **About Easterseals Colorado**

Easterseals Colorado is one of the oldest non-profits in the state, established in 1926. ESC has been the leading nonprofit provider of services for children and adults with developmental disabilities, physical disabilities and other special needs. We provide direct services to about 10,000 people yearly through corporate and individual donations and grants. All money raised in Colorado stays in Colorado to support programs for people in our state. To learn more, visit [www.eastersealscolorado.org](http://www.eastersealscolorado.org).