

## SUPPORT ELCOMITE DE LONGMONT ON COLORADO GIVES DAY

On Tuesday, December 6, show your support for El Comité with a donation on **Colorado Gives Day**! <u>Click here</u> to schedule a donation in advance to arrive on December 6<sup>th</sup> or to donate today. This is

Colorado's largest one-day, online giving movement where thousands of people come together to donate to local non-profit organizations. As a loyal supporter, please consider deepening your impact by making an end-of-year, tax-deductible contribution to El Comité de Longmont on Colorado Gives Day.

**Why Give?** For 36 years, El Comité has facilitated communication and understanding within the Longmont community to improve social justice, education and economic status for Latinos and non-Latinos alike. Immigrants and non-immigrants come to El Comité seeking support and assistance on a wide range of problems. We...

- Advocate for those who feel powerless and give voice to the voiceless.
- Connect people in crisis to our many community partners to get the help they need so they can become self-sufficient and advocate for themselves.
- Connect people with pro-bono and low-cost legal representation for any issue be it immigration, criminal, civil, employment, estate planning, or business-related.
- Provide a bridge of understanding between the people and law enforcement.
- Help people navigate American funeral procedures and help open the difficult dialog of end-of-life planning.
- Provide support for victims of scams, harassment, or discrimination.
- Provide English language instruction and citizenship study and preparation.
- Work for peace and for social justice in our community.

**Case #1:** A group of women came to El Comité for help. They were enduring harassment and unpaid wages on the job and when some tried to file a complaint with the management, they were fired. We connected these ladies with an attorney and she helped them file a class-action lawsuit against the employer. They won the case, including unpaid wages and penalties for wrongful termination.

**Case #2**: A woman came to El Comité because her children were suffering severe abuse at the hands of their custodial guardian. As is the case with many abused women, the mother felt powerless, voiceless, and without rights. El Comité advocated for her, engaging law enforcement and a child protection agency who promptly removed the children from the abusive home. The mother is now on a path toward regaining custody and obtaining counselling for her children.

**Adult Education:** 300+ adults served annually with English language instruction. 150+ enrolled in citizenship study and preparation. 75+ people annually complete their N400 application for US citizenship in quarterly workshops.

Thank you for your support!