How COVID-19 is Disproportionately Affecting Latinos Across Colorado

This data was collected by Latino Decisions through an oversampling of Latinos in Colorado. In partnership with the Latino Leadership Institute (LLI) we are sharing out this data on our COVID-19 response.

How much do Latinos trust these people to handle the pandemic?

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- Latinos are three times more likely to contract COVID-19 as opposed to whites.
- Latinos are 22% of the state's population, 22% of deaths, 36% of COVID-19 cases.
- ¼ of Latino Coloradans know somebody who has been infected with COVID-19.
- 16% know somebody who died from the virus.
- 44% of Latinos with symptoms reported inability to get a test.
- These ethnic and racial inequities are hard to ignore and have long-term implications for the Latino and Black communities.

Employment

- Nearly half of Latinos reported that they continued to work in their normal workplace since the start of COVID-19.
- Only 16.2% of Latinos can telework.
- 70% reported having lost their job or known someone who had due to COVID-19.
- 63% reported having trouble paying mortgage or rent.

Education

- Two in three school age children without access to internet are Latino.
- Survey respondents expressed inability to provide fully functional distance learning due to lack of internet access, devices, and updated software.
- The study found 53% Latino parents or caregivers are considering not sending their children to school or childcare this fall.

Top Needs Defined By Latino Decisions

Looking ahead, people are worried about long term effects on

- EDUCATION
- ECONOMY
- MENTAL HEALTH

“What are the most important issues facing your community that you think Congress and the President should address?”

- Responding to COVID
- Lowering costs of healthcare
- Improving wages and incomes
- Unemployment/ creating jobs
- Protecting immigrant rights
- Stopping discrimination
Ayuda Colorado is LCFC's COVID-19 response strategy, announced in March 2020. It has been designed specifically to support Latino led and serving (LLS) nonprofit organizations and immigrant and refugee serving organizations (IRSO) through direct grants, capacity building services and resource assistance. LLS and IRSO are already among the most nimble, flexible and resourceful in serving our marginalized community and have expressed a need for multi-faceted support that extends beyond financial support—the typical purview of foundations.

Round 1 awarded:
- 43 grants for technology, totaling $100,000

Round 2 awarded:
- 36 grants for direct assistance, totaling $301,000

Rapid response support:
- 7 communities statewide, totaling $100,000

Additional grant funding coming, with a goal of awarding 1.5 million by the end of 2020.

- Connecting nonprofit organizations to funding opportunities.
- Three iterations of COVID-19 Impact on Latinos and Immigrants Report. This is being used in government, nonprofits, foundations, and community to drive strategy and support.
- Leveraging statewide community support with $850,000 through partners.