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Non-profit leader to headline Women's Chamber luncheon

DENVER – Leslie Foster, Director of The Gathering Place, will speak about her life in the non-profit sector and personal life at a Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce Downtown Luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Dec. 16 at Maggiano's at the Denver Pavilions, 500 16th Street in Denver, CO.

The luncheon is sponsored by Denver Water. The cost is \$27 for members and \$37 for non-members and walk-ins. Attendees can register online at www.cwcc.org.

Foster is responsible for the overall operations of The Gathering Place, an organization with the mission of supporting women and children experiencing homelessness and poverty by providing a safe daytime refuge and resources for self-sufficiency. In her position, she regularly consults with other non-profit organizations about fundraising, organizational management and board development. In addition, she speaks to groups and organizations requesting information about homelessness, women and poverty, non-profit management and leadership. Prior to working at The Gathering Place, she worked in a variety of positions in non-profit organizations, including positions in direct service, advocacy, program development and financial development.

The Gathering Place offers a unique approach to the women and children, which focuses on the strengths of each individual. The organization offers an array of services and programs from which each woman can choose those that are most able to help her rebuild her life. These programs include emergency support, such as food and access to bathing and laundry facilities, as well as services in personal growth and learning, such as high school equivalency classes, access to a computer business center, counselors, and lawyers.

For more information on the Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce, call 303.458.0220, e-mail info@cwcc.org or visit www.cwcc.org.

The Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce is one of the largest women's chambers in the nation. CWCC provides its members with the environment and resources conducive to business success, skills and knowledge about business issues and trends, visibility in the community and opportunities for community involvement and business partnerships.

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