Meals served in July: 1,976 | Volunteer hours gifted in July: 382.30

July: A month of festivities

As we wrap up the summer months and school creeps around the corner, we can't wait to see what the rest of the year holds! We will have some **awesome seasonal events** such as our wreath making classes at a few different breweries, among others! We continue to rent out our space to the community for a variety of needs and we have some new additions to the Cafe space coming soon! See some current needs of the Cafe below.

Many thanks to all who made FoCo Cafe's 2017 Bike-In Music Festival a success! Check out the <u>awesome festival photos</u> taken by Lindsey Paricio - feel free to tag yourself and share! Many thanks to all who attended and volunteered and many thanks to our wonderful sponsors: Bohemian Foundation, Odell Brewing Company, The Growing Project, UCHealth, Wander Coffee, Happy Lucky's Teahouse, Balance Body Works, Fork it Over Radio and Smart Minds.

We wrapped up our summer Kids Feeding Kids family break fast program on July 27th. A huge thank you to all who participated and to our interns Debi and Taylor who worked so hard to further develop and implement this program! Special thanks to Noosa Yoghurt, Ginger and Baker, The Waffle Lab, Justin's Nut Butter and The Food Bank of Larimer County for helping to provide our participants with a tasty and nutritious breakfast throughout the summer! AND, to our activity partners like The Growing Project, Beaver Lodge Nature Camp, and Alpine Bloon Farm and Apiaries for their critical support in programming!

As many of you heard through the news, newspapers or our social media, FoCo Cafe got it's donation box stolen during lunch service in July. Through the support of the community, we were able to more than make up for the losses, and the box as been returned recently, with only a few repairs needed to get it back in action. We are beyond ourselves with the way in which our community responded when we were in need!

So many help to make all of the efforts of FoCo Cafe possible! We thank you all - the volunteers, farmers, interns, diners, and all who support the Cafe's mission! Stay tuned for new and exciting updates!

Onward and upward,











Looking for a home and a way to support FoCo Cafe?

Michael Garneau, a local real estate agent with Hub Real Estate is making a donation of \$200 everytime a home is bought and the client is a FoCo Cafe guest or mentions the name.

What better way to support FoCo Cafe's mission if you are looking for a home already?

Contact Michael today if you are interested at 603-686-2821.

FoCo Cafe Current Needs

As we continue to grow and change, we continue to seek support from the community in a variety of areas. Here are a few of our current needs:

- **Commercial Refrigeration** (Walk-In refrigerator ideally)
- Cambro storage products, half hotel pans for storage, and catering equipment
- Volunteers to fill shifts Mon-Sat.11-2
- Volunteers that can help with grant writing, outreach, fundraising, and more.
- a licensed commercial contractor to install our new TV
- Community business partners to sponsor FoCo Cafe each month in exchange for sponsorship benefits

If you or someone you know can help,please email us at info@fococafe.org



More than ever, choosing the correct real estate agent is a critical decision that can make or break your next real estate transaction. When choosing the right agent, opt for a local expert invested in your best interest.



Acts of Kindness in July



In July, FoCo Cafe received countless donations of fresh local produce from so many community partners including: **Heart of the Rockies, Alpine Bloom Farm and Apiaries, The Growing Project**, and countless **Individuals**. These make such a huge impact on what we are able to offer, thanks for having a hand in what our community eats!

We have been active at the Downtown Farmers Market lately, receiving generous donation from local farms: **Native Hill, Hazel Dell Mushrooms, Miller Farms, Sunrise Ranch Farm, Dicasa Cooking, Hoffman Farms, Styria Bakery**, and **Rancho Durazno**. Thank you for the fresh



Our favorite guest feedback in July: "My son who is a student at CSU suggested we have lunch here. The food was good: simple and well-prepared; it has a great vibe: people working at your place seem to really enjoy being there and doing what they do; and I appreciate how everyone in the community benefits. Keep up the great work!" and local produce to make into yummy dishes for the community and stock the Freedge!

Many thanks to all of the **local businesses that donated to our dessert auction** at the Bike-In Music festival this year! We were able to raise a few extra hundred dollars at the festival to support our mission due to these generous donations of gift cards and sweets!

We received financial gifts from individuals through both the Colorado Gives website and PayPal. Some of these folks have set up automated monthly donations. Many thanks to these thoughtful donors with make continuous impact! <u>Sign</u> <u>up for one of our donor programs today</u>!

And, we received weekly donations of highvalue food items from **Trader Joe's and Ginger and Baker.** Many items were donated for The Giving Tree and FoCo Freedge and non-perishables for the Kindness Cupboard.

Many **King Soopers shoppers** used their reloadable cards to benefit FoCo Cafe and we received a generous checks totaling \$530.82! This is a great way to support the Cafe without spending an extra penny. You get gas points and all benefits, and **King Soopers** makes a donation (5% of what you spend)! In effect, you're telling King Soopers the charity you want them to support! Thank you card users! Get your card at the Cafe.

You all make the magic happen! Thank you again for all you do for our community Cafe!



Check out this short video by Lindsey Paricio from our Bike In Music Festival on August 5th! We had so much fun!

FoCo Cafe's mission is to build community by providing nutritious and delicious meals to all people regardless of their ability to pay.

