# 2022 HUMAN RESOURCES A N N U A L R E P O R T



# NOTE FROM THE HR DIRECTOR

Larimer County's Vision sets the foundation for what we strive to achieve each day in Human Resources. We are committed to contributing to the innovative community in which we live, work and play through our employees.

Our mission begins with three simple, but critical words, "we are committed." Each year we focus on goals which will ultimately contribute to the business of Larimer County, transform the work experience, and enhance our employment reputation. We focus on operational efficiency (continuous improvement), innovation, culture, and enterprise risk management. Whether we are implementing new technologies, redesigning and reimagining core processes, focusing on leadership and professional development, or launching new employee engagement opportunities we are listening, empowering, building trust and communication, as core to each of our deliverables.

The following annual report outlines key contributions in 2022, goals and aspirations for 2023 (and beyond), and highlights our performance measures and workforce demographics. The members of the Human Resources team will continue to focus on excellence and value in our services. We are committed to the success of Larimer County employees and services.

Bridget Paris Human Resources Director

# LARIMER COUNTY GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Larimer County will add value to the lives of its citizens today and in the future by:



Being good stewards of public resources.



Promoting innovation, adaptability, and committing to continuous improvement.



Providing quality customer service.



Empowering people to take responsibility.



Cultivating partnerships.



Being a fulfilling and enjoyable place to work.

CLarimer County is a fantastic employer! I have never worked anywhere that was so supportive of employees' lives outside of work. I never feel beholden to my job above all other things, and it is very satisfying that my life is truly in balance most of the time." - EMPLOYEE SURVEY 2022



The Human Resources Department will help Larimer County Government meet the needs of our community.

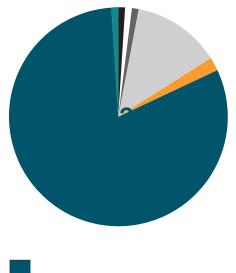
### **OUR MISSION**

We are committed to attracting, developing, maintaining, and retaining a talented workforce by:

- Actively listening to our employees.
- Providing timely and accurate services.
- Empowering customers to take responsibility through technology, training, and education.
- Modeling and encouraging a positive and healthy work environment.
- Embracing innovation and encouraging it throughout the organization.
- · Being a trusted and impartial resource.
- Communicating respectfully, openly, and honestly.

# LARIMER COUNTY WORKFORCE **DEMOGRAPHICS**

#### **WORKFORCE BY ETHNICITY**

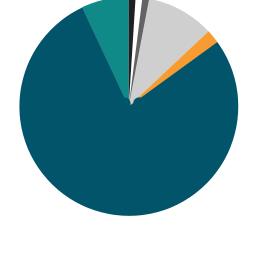


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Hispanic/Latino

Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander

Not Specified

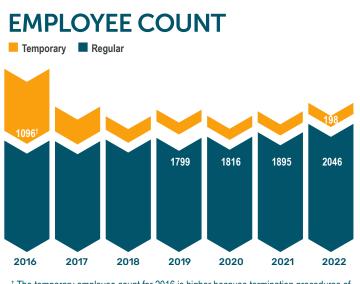


2+ Races

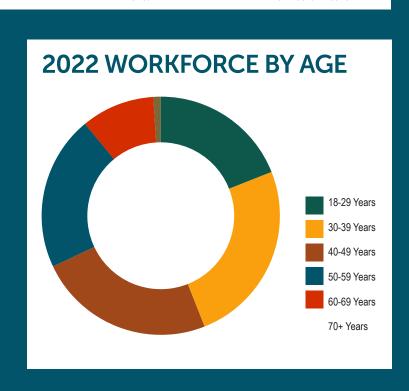
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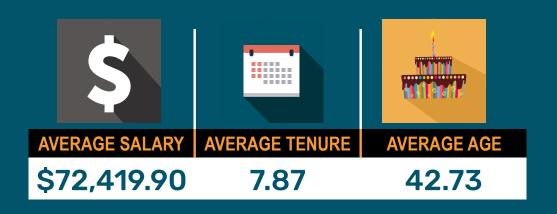
Black or African Asian

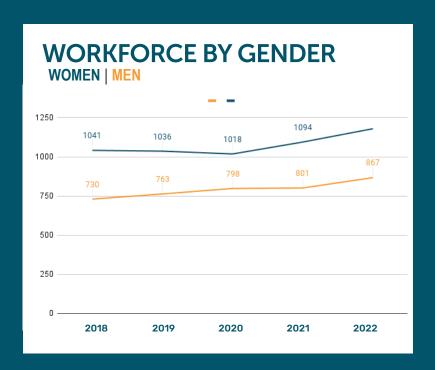
American Indian or Alaskan Native



<sup>†</sup> The temporary employee count for 2016 is higher because termination procedures of temporary employees and clean-up weren't completed yet.

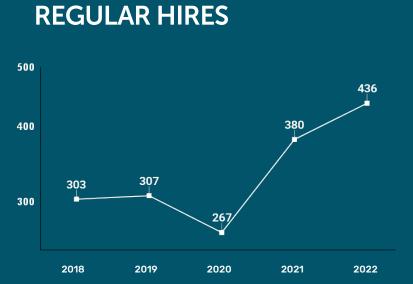


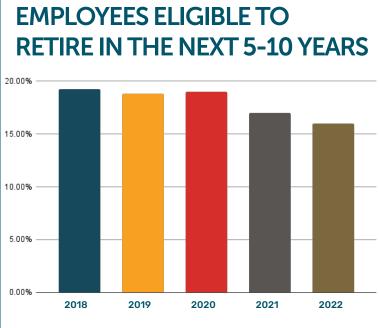




#### **TURNOVER RATE**







# **BENEFITS**

#### 2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Staff education we created a video library of short, easy to understand benefit topics for public access to help employees learn about Larimer County benefits.
   We also had a successful Nectar points campaign for a Benefits website scavenger hunt that aided in this process.
- We established a direct contract with Family Care Center, a behavioral health care provider, that is opening three locations in the area. They're provding our members prioritized access for scheduling, and collaborating on department specific programming as well.
- We added coverage for Regenexx, which is a lowcost alternative to surgery for certain musculoskeletal procedures.
- We have increased utilization of free medical benefit vendor resources such as Healthcare Bluebook and Hello Heart, but need to continue to market this better as we did not get the utilization increase that we had targeted for 2nd MD.

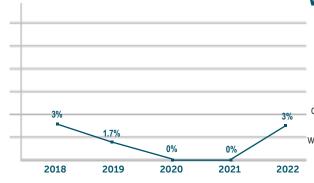
#### **2023 GOALS**

- New Hire Benefit Orientation we are transitioning this to a required video series in Absorb for new hires to watch, that will include quizzes and online materials. The goal is to increase retention of our benefits offered to staff and their families and to create internal efficiencies for the Benefits team.
- 2024 Wellness Program Re-Development we are redesigning the wellness program for 2024 and plan to educate staff on the final design in Spring 2023.
- Clinic Staffing / Offerings evaluate and determine what expansions can be done with the Wellness Clinic.

#### **BENEFITS STAFF**

- · Jennifer Whitener, Benefits Manager
- · Rachel Sporleder, Benefits Team Lead
- · Kathy Harris, Benefits Specialist
- · Kelly Wachtman, Benefits Technician
- Andrea Bilderback, Health Promotion & Outreach Specialist

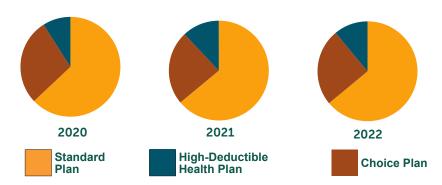
#### **HEALTHCARE PREMIUM COST INCREASE**



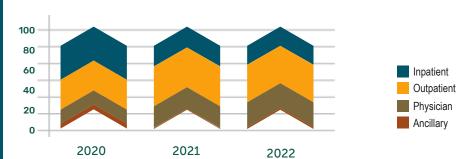
### WHY DOES THIS MATTER?

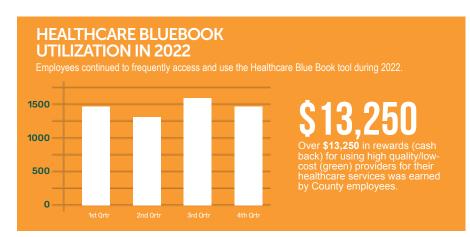
Larimer County is a self-funded health plan. That means our premium contributions pay our medical and pharmacy claims. Therefore, the more claims we have, the more we must collect in premiums OR by altering our plan designs to cover this cost.

#### **ENROLLMENT NUMBERS BY PLAN**



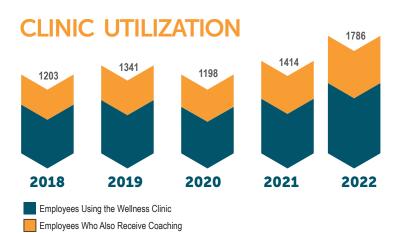
#### **CLAIMS PAID BY PLACE OF SERVICE**



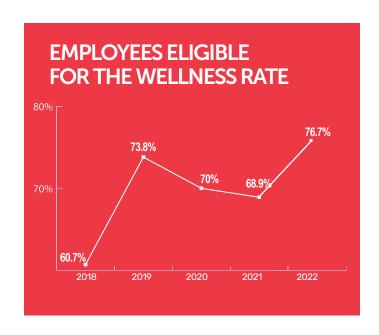


#### WELLNESS CLINIC

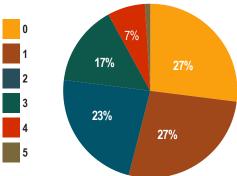
Another strategy to mitigate healthcare costs has been our investment in the on-site Wellness Clinic that is available to those enrolled in the medical plan. We believe it is critical to have independent, objective staff serving our employees who aren't tied to a particular health system. We also have full oversight regarding the services being offered, and the quality level of care we expect our patients to receive.







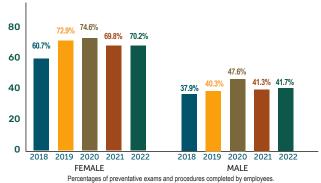


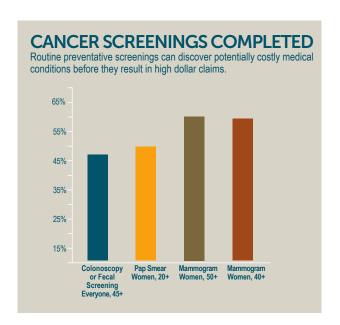


From the Biometric screenings we identified the average number of risk factors per employee.

#### PREVENTATIVE CARE

Preventive care matters. Early detection is critical when it comes to identifying serious illnesses, and we want to encourage the use of preventive care services since it is free to do so on our medical plans. We will continue to find and provide preventive care screening opportunities with local healthcare providers to remove barriers to receiving this very important care.





# **EMPLOYEE RELATIONS**

#### 2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

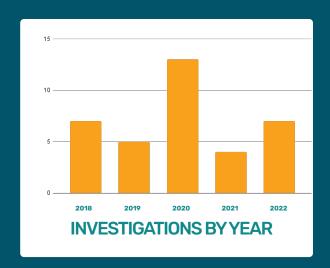
- Successfully piloted Bronze level leadership program, created Silver level
- Completed pay equity review and made adjustments
- Recruiting increased communication with Hiring Managers, including launching a Hiring Manager Survey and newsletter

#### **2023 GOALS**

- Successfully pilot Silver level of the leadership program
- Roll out Department Head dashboards for Workforce Analytics to Department Heads
- Make improvements to DOT hiring process in Recruiting

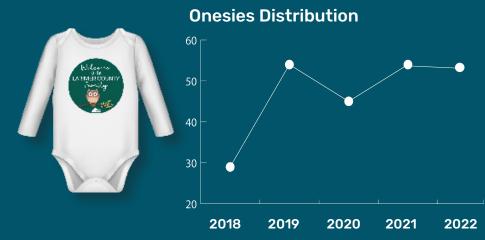
# EMPLOYEE RELATIONS STAFF

- · Christine Kuehnast, Employee Relations Manager
- · Nicole Berg, Inclusion Administrator
- Sarah Witherell, Senior HR Generalist
- · Eileen Brittingham, Senior HR Generalist
- Lisa Wempen. Senior HR Generalist
- Evan Scott. HR Generalist
- Marcy Hamilton, Application Support Specialist
- · Erin Schmidt, Leave Specialist



### **NEW BABIES**

In August of 2018, our Leave Specialist began sending Larimer County baby onesies to new arrivals. It's our way of welcoming new additions to the Larimer County family.



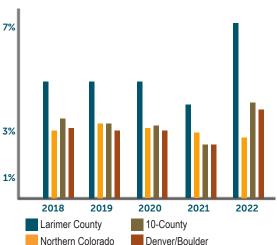


"I appreciate the flexibility and remote work opportunities for the past years. It has created a better work/life balance which makes me want to stay employed with Larimer County." - EMPLOYEE SURVEY 2022

# COMPENSATION & CLASSIFICATION

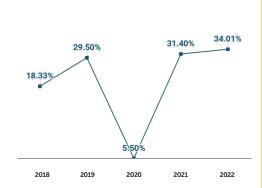
▶▶▶ Perform analysis of workforce changes and labor market trends to organize and define different types of work and to determine employee compensation.

# HISTORICAL PAY INCREASE COMPARISON



### PERCENTAGE OF JOB DESCRIPTIONS UPDATED

Having correct and accurate job descriptions helps ensure equity across the County.



#### **2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Began department compensation reviews
- · Began pay equity reviews

#### 2023 Goals:

Continue pay equity reviews



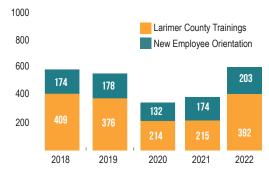
"Larimer County
is great. I really
appreciate inflation
based increases in the
upcoming new year!"

- EMPLOYEE SURVEY 2022

# **TRAINING**

▶▶▶ Identify and deliver various training programs to enhance employee skills, as well as acquire new knowledge and skills.

#### TRAINING PARTICIPANTS



#### **TOP CLASSES IN 2022**

#1 Crucial Conversations

**#2** 

Coaching Skills for Leaders

#3

Unbusy: How to Cultivate Renewal as a Way of Life

#### **Linked** in Learning

- 2,441 Hours of Viewed Content
- 679 Employees Viewed Content
- 53,859 Videos Viewed
- 2,387 Completed Courses



- EMPLOYEE SURVEY 2022

"My department

encourages utilizing

training opportunities

and getting to know the job functions of other

departments we work with on a daily basis."

# **PAYROLL**

#### 2022 **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Trained two new team members
- · Enhanced Payroll Rep Guides

#### **2023 GOALS**

#### **PAYROLL STAFF**

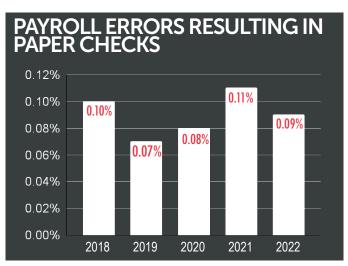
- · Amy O'Donnell, Payroll Manager
- · Brenda Haarmann, Payroll Specialist Lead
- · Tommie Anne Ruble, Payroll Specialist
- · Nicki McNeill, Payroll Specialist
- · LeAnn Clark, Payroll Specialist

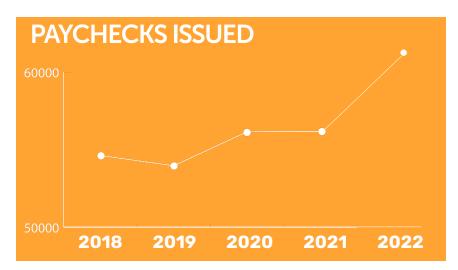




#### WHY DOES THIS MATTER?

The number of manual checks issued reflects the accuracy of our Payroll department. The lower the number of manual checks, the higher the accuracy.





#### **UKG MOBILE APP**

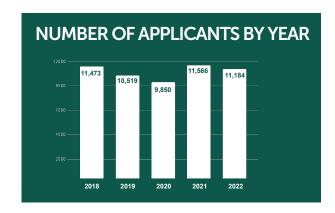
**Employees Used** the UltiPro Mobile **App in 2022** 

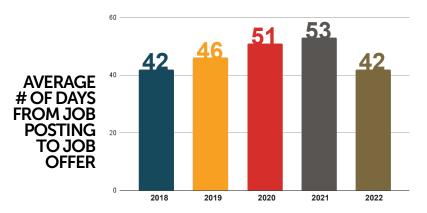
**FEATURES #3 - Pay Details** 

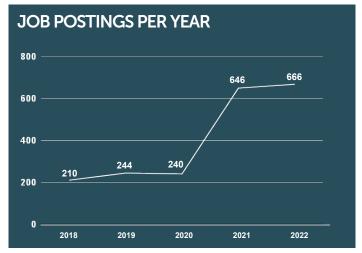
#1 - Timesheet

#2 - Pay Hub

Apple Users







# RECRUITING

#### 2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- · Hiring Manager Feedback Survey
- New Employee Orientation Update
- Processed 1588 Hires

#### **2023 GOALS**

- · Create newsletter for Hiring Managers
- DEI Hiring Practices
- · Mentorship Program

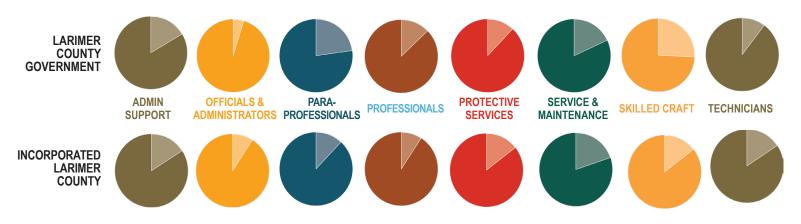
#### **RECRUITING STAFF**

- Jessica Villasenor, Human Resources Coordinator
- · Annie Bell, HR Technician
- · Sara Rice, HR Technician

#### AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BY THE NUMBERS:

MINORITY AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY JOB CODES

As we continue to work on inclusion at the County, recruiting a diverse workforce remains a priority for Larimer County. Occupational Groups identified with less representation will be addressed through recruiting strategies and the County's Affirmative Action Plan. A similar or bigger size pie slice tells us that we're meeting the mark in that EEO job code; pies that are smaller give us room to improve.

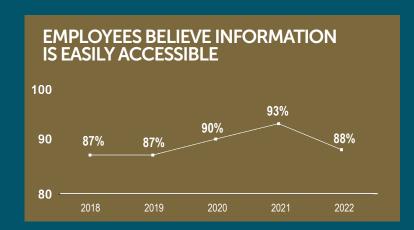


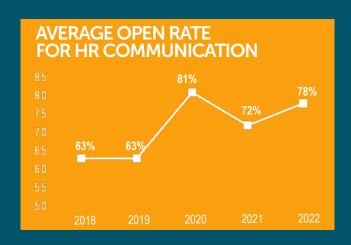
# **ADMIN SERVICES**

#### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

- · Nick Cole, Accounting Manager
- · Katie Lewis, Business Operations Coordinator
- · Valerie Douglas, Administrative Specialist II
- · Judy Shimkus, Application Support Specialist
- · Jennifer Glover, Communications Coordinator
- · JoLynn Mills, Communications Specialist
- · Betty Henson, Human Resources Clerk
- · Alycia Tucker, Human Resources Clerk







#### WEBSITE STATISTICS

#### TOP 3 PAGES IN 2022 V

- · Careers (21.81%)
- Benefits (17.69%)
- Job descriptions (9.26%)

#### **VISITORS**

- · 2018: 60,499
- · 2019: 60,053
- · 2020: 76,529
- 2020. 10,02
- · 2021: 92,448
- · 2022: 86,528

#### PAGE VIEWS:

- 2018: 310,121
- 2019: 289,803
- 2020: 314,786
- · 2021: 351,290
- · 2022: 340,280

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES PROGRAMS**

#### **TUITION** INNOVATION **2ND LANGUAGE EMPLOYEE OF** REIMBURSEMENT **REMOTE WORK LEAD BY DESIGN LONGEVITY AWARDS COMPENSATION** THE MONTH **PROGRAM** The Remote Work We look forward to celebrating The Innovation Awards The Tuition The Second The Lead by Design Every month, the our long-term employees and their milestone anniversaries. Employee of the Month Program is an annual Reimbursement Language program Program allows program is a specific award. Applications for innovative updates and ideas are submitted, employees to work at a worksite other than a Program is to provide is to encourage and training designed to committee reads recognize employees identify upcoming leaders and build thei through nominations to choose one employee as the Larimer County Every quarter we recognize employees for their 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30+ year tuition assistance County office or other through a non-taxable who use a second then voted on by reimbursement language to serve the County location for all skills and confidence in taking on new roles throughout Larimer Employee of the Month. leadership teams. customers of Larimer or part of their work anniversaries. by the HR Department County. week County. Runs January - April Runs April - October Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing

# **EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION**

## **NECTAR**

#### **AVERAGE CORE VALUES RECOGNIZED**

**#ADAPTABILITY - 10%** 

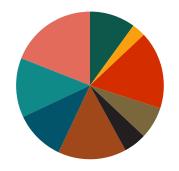
**#INCLUSIVE - 3%** 

**#COLLABORATIVE - 17%** 

**#GOODSTEWARDS - 6.7%** 

**#INNOVATIONIMPROVEMENT - 5.3%** 

#CUSTOMERSERVICE - 15.4%
#EMPOWERINGPEOPLE - 10.5%
#CULTIVATINGPARTNERSHIPS - 12.5%
#ENJOYABLEPLACE - 19.6%



# SHOUT-OUTS GIVEN: **37,028** 

# TOP 3 PARTICIPATING DEPTS.

- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
- FINANCE
- HUMAN RESOURCES

\$40,000+ REDEEMED POINTS IN 2022

## **EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH WINNERS**

JANUARY

**ANDREA MAXWELL** 

**FEBRUARY** 

**NEILLA STRAIGHT** 

MARCH

**STEPHEN NISWENDER** 

APRIL

**ANGELA PRIEST** 

MAY

**AMY OROZCO LIERA** 

JUNE

**CARI BROWN** 

JULY

**MATT LEMKE** 

**AUGUST** 

**VIOLETTA MORALES** 

**SEPTEMBER** 

**JENNA CIFALA** 

OCTOBER

STEVE TOMAJCZYK

NOVEMBER EMILY KANE

**DECEMBER** 

**KARI VALDEZ** 

# INNOVATION AWARDS

#### **2022 WINNERS**

#### **GRAND PRIZE**

**LEDES - Law Enforcement Digital Evidence System**Cassie Lallak, Paulina Bennett, Kyle Teramoto, Brant Gluth,
Ray Daniel, Haley Neufeld, Pat Abernathy, Jeff Fehringer, Sahar
Habib, Sarah Melocco

#### **RUNNER-UP**

**Delinquent Mobile Home Tax Engagement Tracking** Todd Sims, Royce Simpson

#### **RUNNER-UP**

eBond Project (Electronic Bond Application)

Derik Stalls, Raymond Daniel, Paige Hammer, Emily Humphrey, Nathan Kumm, Cassie Lallak, Sarah Melocco, Mark Olson, Angela Priest, Joe Schreurs, Linette Schweizer, Erica Wagner

#### **NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS**

