

*Response to State Request for Application
for*



Problem Gambling Center

Submitted to:

Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission

Colorado Department of Revenue, Division of Gaming

1707 Cole Boulevard, Suite 300

Lakewood, CO 80421

Submitted by:



**PROBLEM
GAMBLING** | COALITION
OF
COLORADO

Peggy Brown, President

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Date Submitted: November 28, 2023



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Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado
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Department of Revenue, Division of Gaming
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I respectfully submit the attached Executive Summary and the Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado's Application for funding through the Colorado Division of Gaming Responsible Gaming Grants Program.

The Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado, designated Colorado State Affiliate to the National Council on Problem Gambling, is pleased to be considered for this funding and we look forward to the approaching decision on grant awards.

I can be reached at 303-903-4282 or Brownpeggya@icloud.com should you have any questions or require further information.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Peggy A. Brown
PGCC Board President

Attachments:

1. Executive Summary – PGCC Problem Gambling Center
2. Responsible Gaming Grant Application DR Form 9493 including Sources of Income Table
3. Detailed Program Budget & List of Other Sources of Income Supporting the Program
4. Proof of IRS Federal Tax Exempt Status (Letter of Determination)
5. Letters of Support & Agency Agreements from Partner Organizations

PGCC PROBLEM GAMBLING CENTER - EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado (PGCC) seeks ongoing support to sustain and expand the crucial services provided by our Problem Gambling Center. The Center, opened in the Spring of 2023, has been instrumental in addressing the pervasive issue of problem gambling in Colorado. With the existing challenges and anticipated increased demand for our services, we seek **\$651,970** to ensure the sustained operation and growth of the Center. This proposal integrates and streamlines our existing programs into a cohesive and comprehensive approach within the Problem Gambling Center operations. By aligning and fortifying our current initiatives, we will achieve:

- 1. Holistic Services Integration:** Through this proposed grant, PGCC weaves together our current services, including prevention, treatment reimbursement, support, education and prevention, and workforce development into a more integrated framework. The resulting synergy will enable a seamless flow of support for individuals and families affected by problem gambling. Specifically, this grant will support the operations of the Problem Gambling Center including Collegiate Gambling Education and Prevention, the Colorado Problem Gambling Helpline, and the expansion of Community Outreach and cross-agency collaboration with organizations serving Coloradans who are experiencing the harmful effects of problematic gambling and gambling addiction.
- 2. Enhanced Accessibility and Efficiency:** Streamlining our diverse programs will result in increased accessibility and a more efficient process for individuals seeking our services. This integration ensures a coordinated and user-friendly approach, reducing barriers and enhancing the ease of navigation within our Center.
- 3. Data Driven Service Development:** The integration process will incorporate data-driven insights garnered from our current research conducted as part of the PGCC Problem Gambling Awareness and Education Project (a partnership with The Idea Marketing). PGCC also uses key performance indicators that further inform our strategic direction. This ensures that our services continually evolve and adapt in response to the latest findings, ultimately enhancing the effectiveness of our prevention, support, and intervention strategies.
- 4. Maximizing Impact and Sustainability:** The integrated approach not only maximizes the impact of current funding, but also ensures the sustainability of our programs. By consolidating efforts, resources, and knowledge, we anticipate a more robust and resilient Center that can continue to effectively address problem gambling in Colorado.

Expected Outcomes: This integrated grant will lead to:

- A seamless and coordinated service delivery model.
- Improved accessibility and efficiency in accessing problem gambling services.
- A more skilled workforce and informed community through specialized education.
- Data-informed and adaptive strategies for continual service improvement.
- Long-term sustainability and increased positive impact within our Colorado community.

Colorado Division of Gaming Responsible Gaming Grants

Under the authority of the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission (CLGCC), the Division of Gaming administers a grant program that provides support for efforts that impact, improve and support responsible gaming and problem gambling programs and the issues that come with increased gaming and gaming options. The responsible gaming grant program is meant to provide meaningful funding and encourage prevention, education on gambling addiction, additional counselors, public awareness, treatment, recovery, data and research.

Eligibility

- Not-for-Profit Organizations and State Agencies/ Programs directly addressing the issue of problem gambling, addiction treatment, operations of hotlines, educational programs, counseling, research, advocacy efforts, or support services are eligible to apply for program-related funding.
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to ensure they have the resources and the staffing to complete all required reporting and attend all required meetings.
- Requests for capital projects are not eligible under this grant process.
- Automatic Disqualifier: Any organization found to have made purposeful misrepresentations, omissions and/or errors intended to mislead will not be considered and will be disqualified from receiving funding.
- Any previously funded grant recipient who did not complete reporting requirements for any prior grant funding is ineligible to apply for funding in the year following non-compliance and may have to submit required documentation before being re-eligible to apply

Application Period and Submission

Complete applications, including all required supporting documents, must be submitted by the deadline to be considered.

Grant applications must be received by the Division of Gaming, either in person or electronically, by **March 24, 2022, at 5:00 PM** to be considered for funding in 2023. Grant applications may be dropped off at the main

division offices at 1707 Cole Blvd, Suite 300, Lakewood, CO 80421. Electronic applications should be submitted to DOR_RG_GrantSubmissions@state.co.us.

The Division of Gaming will review grant applications for eligibility and recommendation for approval by the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission. Applicants to be found ineligible for funding will receive notice from the Division of Gaming. A list of recommended grant recipients and funded programs is provided to the Gaming Control Commission for review and approval.

The Limited Gaming Control Commission will release funding to approved grant recipients. Eligible applications are presented to the commission no later than March 1st of each year.

Grant Recipient Requirements

Grant Recipients will submit required reports. On or before September 1, 2023, and on or before September 1, each year thereafter, each grantee shall submit a report to the commission. At a minimum, the report must include the following information:

- An indication of whether the grantee achieved the objectives the grantee described in its application or a grant;
- Evaluation of the results of the grantee's grant-funded project;
- A description of the impact of the grantees use of grant money on the community with regards to responsible or problem gambling;
- Total amount of the grant money received in the total amount of grant money expended by the grantee; and
- Any additional reporting requirements required by the commission when the grant was awarded;
- Prior to any grant money being dispersed once the commission has made its grant decisions, grantees must cooperate to finalize all needed state purchasing contract paperwork.

Grant Recipients will have a designated representative who attends all required Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission meetings as determined by the Commission. Grant Recipients may be required to make presentations to the Commission on their program and/or grant funds.

Review Criteria

Reviewing responsible gaming grant applications and criteria for awarding grants – when awarding grants commission shall have a process for collaboration with the behavioral health administration. In consideration of awarding grants, the commission shall consider the following criteria:

- (a) the current needs of the state relating to responsible for problem gambling;
- (b) the overall impact that the proposed grant may have on responsible for problem gambling;
- (c) the amount of money in the fund;
- (d) whether the eligible applicant intends to use grant money or any of the following purposes:
 - (i) prevention or education services concerning gambling addiction;
 - (ii) certification of gambling addiction counselors;
 - (iii) public awareness of services concerning gambling addiction;
 - (iv) treatment of gambling addiction disorders;
 - (v) recovery services;
 - (vi) data reporting and data systems;
 - (vii) reimbursement for a portion of the costs associated with the national problem gambling hotline, website or text for service;
 - (viii) research for problem gambling or gambling addiction; and
 - (ix) reimbursement for costs associated with research for problem gaming or gambling addiction.
- (e) when considering the current needs of the state related to responsible for problem gambling, the commission may establish additional purposes for awarding grants;

Application Requirements

- One-page Executive Summary of the grant request on agency letterhead addressed to the Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission, including the purpose of the grant request and a brief description of how the request provides support for efforts that impact, improve and support responsible gaming and problem gambling programs in Colorado along with the issues that come with increased gaming and gaming options.
- Completed Responsible Gaming Grant Application DR Form 9493
- All required attachments:
 - A detailed Project Budget outlining program expenses for the amount requested.
 - A list of other sources of income supporting the proposed project
 - Marketing or advertising budgets (required for all requested for all proposals, including marketing or advertising activities only)
 - Memorandum of Understanding or Fiscal Sponsor contract (required for organizations operating under a fiscal sponsor)
 - Completed Sources of Income Table for non-profit agencies. Other organizations must submit an organizational budget that outlines sources of income
 - Proof of IRS Federal Tax Exempt Status dated within the last five years (also called a Letter of Determination.)
 - Letters of Support or copies of contracts from any partner organizations or contract agencies named in the grant
 - Up to three additional attachments that provide additional information on the proposed grant request

Responsible Gaming Grant Application Form

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Mission Statement

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

Geographic Area Served

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

Tax Exempt Status (select): ☐ 501(c)(3) Non-profit ☐ State Government Agency
☐ Local Government Agency ☐ Using a Fiscal Agent or Sponsor
☐ Other

Grant Request And Narrative Section

Amount Requested

Type of Grant Requested (select): ☐ General Operating Support ☐ Program or Project Support☐ Other:**Program Requests Only:** Name of Program or Project

Description of What the Grant Funding will be Used For

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

Timeline for Spending any Awarded Grant Money

Anticipated Program Milestones to be Achieved during the grant period

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

Description of any current or past projects in which the eligible Application has participated that address responsible gaming or problem gaming

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

General Operating Support: Provide information on the organization, organizational Goals and Current Programs

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

Project requests only:

1) Provide a summary of the plan for the program or project requested.

2) What issue and/or opportunity does this project address?

3) Provide detailed goals and objectives, a list of activities and an anticipated timeline for each project goal or milestone.

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

Describe any collaborations the organization plans to engage within the implementation of the grant funding

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

Explain why the organization is approaching the issue and/or opportunity in this way.

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

Describe how the organization measures impact. If this is a program request, describe how the impact is measured for the program that is the subject of this proposal

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

List any prior grant funding received from the Division of Gaming/CLGCC, including amounts and dates.

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

Describe any anticipated challenges facing the implementation of the proposed project and the organization's plan for addressing those challenges.

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

How will the project be sustained after the end of the grant period?

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

Describe how the organization plans to evaluate the results of requested funding, project or program

Attach supplemental information or supporting documentation if more room is needed.

Financial Planning	
Attachments	
Submit a detailed Project Budget outlining program expenses for the amount requested. Any partner or contracted agencies listed in the implementation of the project must be included in this section with detailed information on the amount and line item expenses from the funding going to the contracting agency.	
Required Attachments	
<p>Submit a list of other sources of income supporting the proposed project</p> <p>All applications requesting funding for marketing or advertising must submit a detailed budget and marketing plan as an attachment.</p> <p>For organizations operating under a fiscal sponsor, submit the memorandum of understanding or the contract between the organization and the fiscal agent/fiscal sponsor.</p>	
Source Income Table	
<p>(a) Government Agencies, Institutions of Higher Education and other applicants not categorized as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization submit an organizational budget that shows sources of income</p> <p>(b) Complete for 501(c)(3) non-profit agencies: the table below for the organization as a whole, based on the most recently completed fiscal year. Categories may be modified to fit your organization's funding sources.</p>	
Percentage Funding Sources (for 501c3 nonprofit organizations)	
Government grants (federal, state, county, local)	%
Government Contracts	%
Foundations	%
Business	%
Events	%
Individual Contributions	%
Fees/earned income	%
Workplace giving campaigns	%
In-kind contributions	%
Other	%
Total (must equal 100%)	%

Financial Information Section

Organization Budget for fiscal year	Fiscal Year Date	Income	Expenses
For Project/Program Requests:			
Program Budget	Dates of budget period	Income	Expenses

Attachments

Applicants need to submit the following required documents as attachments to their application:
Proof of IRS Federal Tax Exempt Status dated within the last five years (also called a Letter of Determination.)
(Optional) Applicants may submit up to three additional attachments, no longer than four pages each, as supporting documentation for the application request.

List of Attachments

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Acknowledgments

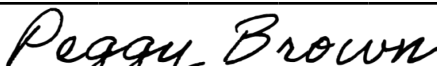
By signing below, I acknowledge the following:

The grant applicant or if the applicant is a nonprofit, that the applicant and any board members are not fundamentally opposed to gaming; and

The grant applicant or if the applicant is a nonprofit, that the applicant and/or a majority of board members are not affiliated with a person licensed under article 44-30; and

The grant applicant will use grant money only for the purpose for which the grant money was awarded; and

The information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my ability.

Signature		Date
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**Problem Gambling Center
Proposed Operating Budget
(March 1, 2024 - February 28, 2025)**

Expenditures

Salary - Center Director	85,000
Salary - Center Assistant	50,000
Salary - Collegiate Director (50% FTE)	60,000
Salary - Marketing & Communication Director	85,000
Salary - Community Outreach Director	85,000
Payroll Tax & Fringes	65,700
Treatment Reimbursement / Training & Education	70,000
Promotional Items	30,000
Helpline (1-800-GAMBLER)	30,000
Technology (laptop, AV, software, website maintenance)	14,000
Operational costs (supplies, travel, phone & internet)	18,000

Total Direct Expenitures	592,700
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10% Indirect fee	59,270
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Total Funds Requested - Division of Gaming	651,970
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**Other Income Sources
Supporting the Proposed Project**

NCPG Agility Grant	40,000
Draft Kings RG Grant	15,000

Total Additional Grants	55,000
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	2022	2021	Diff
REVENUE			
Contributions and grants.....	238,818	52,751	186,067
Total revenue.....	238,818	0	238,818
EXPENSES			
Salaries, other compen., emp. benefits...	30,000	0	30,000
Other expenses.....	168,750	47,767	120,983
Total expenses.....	198,750	47,767	150,983
NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES			
Revenue less expenses.....	40,068	4,984	35,084
Total assets at end of year.....	86,872	44,515	42,357
Total liabilities at end of year.....	2,398	106	2,292
Net assets/fund balances at end of year.	84,474	44,409	40,065



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Tax Exempt and Government Entities
PO Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

PROBLEM GAMBLING COALITION OF
PO BOX 260435
LAKEWOOD, CO 80226

Date:
January 18, 2023
Employer ID number:
84-1306226
Form 990 required:
Yes
Person to contact:
Name: MS. WINN
ID number: 1000110131

Dear Sir or Madam:

We're responding to your request dated November 05, 2022, about your tax-exempt status.

We issued you a determination letter in December 1995, recognizing you as tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3).

We also show you're not a private foundation as defined under IRC Section 509(a) because you're described in IRC Sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Donors can deduct contributions they make to you as provided in IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax-deductible bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts under IRC Sections 2055, 2106, and 2522.

In the heading, we indicated whether you must file an annual information return. If you're required to file a return, you must file one of the following by the 15th day of the 5th month after the end of your annual accounting period.

- Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
- Form 990-EZ, Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
- Form 990-N, Electronic Notice (e-Postcard) for Tax-Exempt Organizations Not Required to File Form 990 or Form 990EZ
- Form 990-PF, Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

According to IRC Section 6033(j), if you don't file a required annual information return or notice for 3 consecutive years, we'll revoke your tax-exempt status on the due date of the 3rd required return or notice.

You can get IRS forms or publications you need from our website at www.irs.gov/forms-pubs or by calling 800-TAX-FORM (800-829-3676).

If you have questions, call 877-829-5500 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., local time, Monday through Friday (Alaska and Hawaii follow Pacific time).

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements



November 9, 2023

Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado
PO BOX 260435
Lakewood, CO 80226-0435

RE: Letter of Support

To Whom It May Concern,

The Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado (PGCC) and I have been collaborating with workforce development for 2 years regarding the recruiting, training, supervision, and certification of Professional Counselors across the state. I'm pleased with the current number of professionals that are in the process of becoming certified. I have worked with many states across the country and PGCC has done an excellent job in their first year of attracting and retaining a large group of extremely qualified professionals across the entire state.

As a Clinical Supervisor, I'm pleased to see how the PGCC Problem Gambling Center has begun to take form. I also believe the strategic vision for the Center is focused on success year over year. The Center is responding to the needs of the community and professionals by providing services and resources.

The PGCC has done an excellent job of providing Conferences, Symposiums, and Webinars throughout the year to continue to build knowledge and skills for all individuals and professionals.

I look forward to the continued partnership with PGCC in the supervision and training of Problem Gambling Counselors in Colorado. I support PGCC's mission and their outreach to the residents of Colorado.

Sincerely,

Jody Bechtold, LCSW, ICGC-II, BACC

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November 12th, 2023

SUBJECT: Letter of Support for the PGCC Problem Gambling Center

To whom it may concern,

This letter is written in support of the Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado (PGCC) and the PGCC Problem Gambling Center. We would like to continue our collaborative efforts with PGCC to provide direct help to Counselors in areas relating to their clients' personal finances.

At MoneyStack, we recognize that professional intervention in the area of financial planning can be a great asset in a gambler's road to recovery. Through the online community that we run called GamFin, we help Counselors who lack training in financial planning and personal finance management implement feasible and manageable individualized financial plans for their clients when required.

GamFin is an online financial education community for mental health professionals who work with clients experiencing problems related to gambling. We have been partnering with the Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado (PGCC) since March 2022. As part of our collaborative efforts, we provided PGCC with financial training in 2022, and again this year at their Fall Symposium in Lakewood, CO (in-person). The training that we provided qualified for International Gambling Certification (IGCCB) for Problem Gambling certification and recertification.

In addition, PGCC actively uses our 1-on-1 financial counseling service. Certified Gambling Counselors in the State and some Behavior Health Employees and their clients consult with individual financial counselors on our team to develop financial plans that can be incorporated into treatment and recovery in order to improve outcomes for clients. We are still compiling feedback from usage of our service in 2023, but so far we have had favorable responses from participants.

Please contact me if you have any questions about our collaboration with PGCC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alex De Marco'.

Alex De Marco
CEO & Founder
MoneyStack, Inc. and GamFin.org
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Dear Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission,

As the President of The Idea Marketing, I've had the privilege of witnessing firsthand the outstanding work and positive impact carried out by the Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado (PGCC). This organization has consistently demonstrated a commitment and dedication to assisting individuals affected by problem gambling throughout the State of Colorado.

Through our extensive collaboration with the PGCC and Peggy Brown on various marketing initiatives aimed at mitigating the harm caused by problem gambling, I have had the opportunity to see their exceptional professionalism and devotion to this cause. The dedication and expertise of their team are evident in every endeavor we have undertaken, and we are consistently impressed by the effectiveness of PGCC programs. As partners, we are fully committed to continuing this collaborative journey.

Without any reservations, I endorse and support the PGCC's mission and work. Their dedication and unwavering commitment to this important cause are commendable, and I am proud to stand behind their efforts in reducing the harm of problem gambling in Colorado.

Sincerely,

Patricia Lepiani
President
The Idea Marketing

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November 10, 2023

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

To whom it may concern,

I am submitting this letter of professional reference for the Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado (PGCC). Our non-profit organization has worked with the PGCC for several years to develop shared partnerships in providing quality services for people with problem gambling. PGCC was chosen as the state Affiliate to the National Council on Problem Gambling and has been building strong relationships within the 36 states represented. We at the Louisiana Association on Compulsive Gambling (the state Affiliate for LA) have worked with the PGCC Board and staff to facilitate Colorado Problem Gambling Helpline Services to the state. The PGCC has been diligent in their mission to grow their programs of education, training, Helpline services, and stay current on the ever-changing gambling advancements. The PGCC appears to be gaming neutral and encourages the focus to remain on helping others with problem gambling needs. We experience firsthand the PGCC work in providing best resources to those people who call the Helpline and to offer trainings to educate the counselors/programs that serve the Colorado residents. The PGCC is a stronger organization the past few years due to their leadership being ever focused on "how can Colorado residents benefit from our help?"

The Louisiana Association on Compulsive Gambling would highly recommend the PGCC to be awarded any funding assistance, grants, or donations to further their mission to help people in Colorado receive services for problem gambling. We have been a long-standing state Affiliate and non-profit organization since 1996 and have watched the growth and development of the PGCC.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet M Miller, MS, LAC, CCGC, CCDP-D

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October 19, 2022

Peggy Brown
Executive Director
The Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado

Dear Peggy,,

We hope you are doing well. Following the recent conversations about helplines and proper accreditations, I wanted to send a letter of information about the LACG-Helplines. We completed the national accreditation process for the Problem Gamblers Helpline in 2017 with the International Council for Helplines (ICH-formerly known as ContactUSA). We also completed our renewal accreditation process in August 2022, with a 3-year certificate.

The process is time consuming, arduous, and highly effective to assist an organization in proper procedures and policies. We were excited to receive the first PG Helpline accreditation from ICH!

So, if anyone asks you, “does your Helpline provider have a national accreditation?” -you can say “Yes.”

Respectfully,

Janet Miller

Janet Miller, MS, LAC, CCGC, CCDP-D
Executive Director

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National Council
on Problem Gambling



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Phone: 303.871.2844
Email: field@du.edu

University of Denver Graduate School of Social Work

Agency Agreement

The University of Denver and its Graduate School of Social Work ("School") and Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado ("Agency") mutually agree that Agency will provide a field placement for educational and on- the-job training experiences that would be beneficial to graduate social work students of the School.

This Agreement will become effective on the date last signed ("Effective Date") and will remain in effect for the period of one year. This Agreement shall automatically renew for one year upon each anniversary of the Effective Date unless earlier terminated. Any termination by Agency shall not be effective, at the election of School, as to any student participating in the educational or on-the-job training experience under this Agreement until said student has completed the experience not to exceed the then current academic term of five (5) months.

During this period of time, the Agency and the School will mutually agree on the student assignments and the accepted level of academic preparation required for each student.

The Agency and the School mutually agree to follow the standards and guidelines of field instruction as outlined in the prevailing Field Manual of the University of Denver Graduate School of Social Work incorporated into this Agreement by reference. The Field Manual is located at portfolio.du.edu/GSSWStudentResourcePortal/item/17775 and updated each year. Updates will become effective as soon as the Field Manual is published on the Graduate School of Social Work website. If there are any material changes to the Field Manual impacting the Agency, Agency will be notified by email prior to the change being published and becoming effective. Agency's acceptance of students for field placement constitutes Agency's agreement to be bound by changes to the Field Manual.

Each party agrees that no student in the educational or on-the-job training experience will be deemed to be an employee of the School. Each party agrees that the students will be in a learning situation and that the primary purpose of the placement is for the students' learning. It is further understood that the student shall not at any time replace or substitute for any Agency employee.

Agency shall keep confidential any student records obtained or created by Agency in accordance with the requirements of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. § 1232 g) ("FERPA") and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder and the School's FERPA policy at http://www.du.edu/registrar/general/ferpa_student.html.

Each party agrees to comply, at its own expenses, with the provisions of all state, local, federal and tribal laws, regulations, ordinances, requirements and codes which are applicable to this Agreement.

Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to create a joint venture, partnership, agent or employment relationship as between School and Employer.

Neither party has the authority to act for the other party, or to bind the other party in any respect whatsoever, or to incur any debts or liabilities in the name of or on behalf of the other party.


The parties agree that in the performance of this Agreement there will be no discrimination against students, employees, or other persons related to race, color, sex, religion, creed, age, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, gender expression, gender identity, genetic background, veteran status or marital status.

The person signing for each party below represents that s/he has the proper signature authority to bind his/her respective party to the terms of this Agreement.

SCHOOL

The University of Denver and its
Graduate School of Social Work
2148 S. High St.
Denver, CO 80208-0274


Name: Aneesha Bharwani
Title: Associate Dean for Field Education

Signature: 
Date: 8/3/2023

AGENCY

Address: Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado
PO Bx 260435
Denver, CO 80226

Name: Robert Runco
Title: Vice President

Signature: 
Date: 05/19/23



Denver Justice High School

Home of the Phoenix

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Denver, CO 80203
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Email: Stephen.Parce@dpsk12.org

To the National Council on Problem Gambling,

August 8, 2023

This letter is to affirm the interest and support of Denver Justice High School for the application of the Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado for an Agility Grant from the National Council on Problem Gambling. We believe that Denver Justice High School participating in the "Stacked Deck" Project will provide a valuable benefit to both our students, parents, faculty and greater community.

Denver Justice High School's mission is to provide a college preparatory education for all enrolled students. Denver Justice High School was founded in 2009. Denver Justice High School is an Alternative Education Campus for the Denver Public Schools that serves "at-risk" students who can become successful "youth of promise" by being given high standards, opportunities and an environment which cultivates growth and learning. Our school serves students from throughout the Denver Metropolitan area.

Denver Justice High School intends to partner with PGCC on this project by participating in project planning, implementation, and evaluation activities; employing our faculty as "co-facilitators" of the use of the "Stacked Deck" teen problem gambling prevention curriculum to our students/ and providing use of our school facilities for the provision of after school/weekend art workshops to enhance and positively reinforce student engagement in the prevention curriculum.

We believe this project will benefit the community by teaching young people the facts about gambling and related risks, encouraging responsible decision-making, preventing our students from becoming problem gamblers, and engaging youth participants in prosocial leisure activity through art. It is always useful to think "outside the box" when it comes to fostering brighter futures for the youth that we serve, who at times are discounted and dealing with multiple challenges. Denver Justice High School attracts a diverse student body. Some of our students come to our school to address their challenges with attendance, academics and/or behavior. The majority of our students choose Denver Justice High School as an engaging academic setting that will help them to grow and learn in a small school setting. Class sizes are smaller than average and the school focuses on school culture to develop and grow relationship building opportunities between students and staff. The faculty of Denver Justice High School care about and are invested in the success and well-being of each and every student at our school. The opportunity for new positive relationships and personal growth and change that the Stacked Deck Project offers our youth, their families, and our school community the opportunity for empowerment and to our goal for our students "to rise from the ordinary and to achieve the impossible".

Thank you for your consideration,

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