



Leadership Day at the Capitol

April 23, 2018

Arapahoe County, Denver Five Points, Jefferson County,
Larimer County, Longmont/North Boulder County, and Prowers County

An estimated 175 family and community leaders participated in this biannual Family Leadership Training Institute (FLTI) of Colorado event. FLTI participants learned about state government, the legislative process, policy promotion and advocacy that achieves positive outcomes for children, youth, families, and communities in Colorado. The day involved legislators, legislative staff, capitol staff, FLTI participants, facilitators, and site coordinators.

Learning Objectives

- Learn about the policy making process
- Understand the state legislature
- Communicate effectively with legislators and public officials
- Promote family-centered policies and priorities
- Expand network and build alliances

- **Representative Jeni Arndt (District 53)** and **Representative Perry Buck (District 49)** presented FLTI with a bi-partisan tribute in the Colorado House of Representatives. They were joined by their senate colleague **Senator John Kefalas (District 14)** on the Senate side to sponsor a Joint House Tribute.
- **FLTI sites were honored** by several Representatives for their community work and many of our Legislators came forward to stand in support of the tribute. Additionally, sites had the opportunity to meet with their elected officials. **Joann Ginal (District 52)**, **Leslie Herod (District 8)**, **Representative Jessie Danielson (District 24)**, **Dafna Michaelson Jenet (District 30)**, **Representative Alexanders Winkler (District 34)**, **Senator Dominick Moreno (District 21)**, **Senator Tim Neville (District 16)**, **Senator Cheri Jahn (District 20)**, **Representative James Coleman (District 7)**, **Senator Rhonda Fields (District 29)**, **Senator Angela Williams (District 33)**, and **Representative Crisanta Duran (District 5)**.
- **Representative Dafna Michaelson Jenet (District 30)** presented the keynote address and spent time speaking with FLTI participants about getting family voice involved in creating policy that reflects family needs, siting several current community issues.
- **Nadine Lund, family leader**, FLTI alumni member, facilitator, and current State Civic Design Chair spoke to the group about creating positive policies for families and children and **Colorado Department of Education Family Partnership Director, Dr. Darcy Hutchins** spoke to the group about creating strong relationships between parents and schools to benefit students and community.
- **House Tribute** – Watch the House Tribute to FLTI of Colorado and CSU Extension, <https://youtu.be/oI9WozOwtVU?t=32m3s>

