

Quarterly Newsletter

January 2023



COLORADO SAFE PARKING INITIATIVE

Notes from the Executive Director



We ended 2022 with such a bang. We doubled our budget and increased available parking spaces for people sheltering in vehicles. And thanks to Kyle Clark of 9News who highlighted CSPI as it's Dec 21st weekly "Word of Thanks" cause, our end of year fundraising surpassed our grandest hopes. Total donations in our December campaigns surpassed 130K! We look forward to utilizing every cent toward helping people sheltering in vehicles.

SafeLot Guest Highlight

The festive sign on the front door of Jen's new apartment reads "HOME," but for nearly a year, home was the cramped front seat of a Honda Accord when at 75, Jen found herself without a home due to lack of affordable housing and high medical bills.

She stayed at a CSPI SafeLot and took advantage of the community support as well as practical services offered to help her get back on her feet. Jen now looks forward to the future. She is making new friends, is president of her new community's Scrabble club, and enjoying her new home. "Home," Jen says. "That's a beautiful word."

Read the full story [here](#).

CSPI Program Update

Well the numbers are in! We are proud and energized from reflecting on our 2022 accomplishments, as detailed in our latest [Impact Report](#).



SafeLots are now operating in five of the seven Denver metro counties. Adams County opened its first two SafeLots. Last year, you helped make it possible for 262 people to have a safe place to sleep, with an average of 127 people per (cont'd pg 2)

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CSPI Donor Highlight

CSPI's end of the year fundraising was a resounding success. We can't do our important work without financial support, and we are grateful for all of our donors.

CSPI depends upon our annual funders who enable us to plan and deliver our programs.

This month, we'd like to highlight Broomfield Community Foundation, whose critical funding supports and sustains SafeLots in the city and county of Broomfield.

Current Needs

- Zero Degree Sleeping Bags

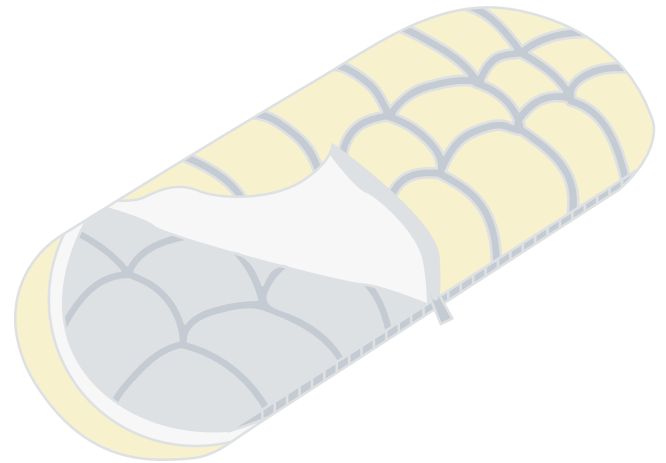
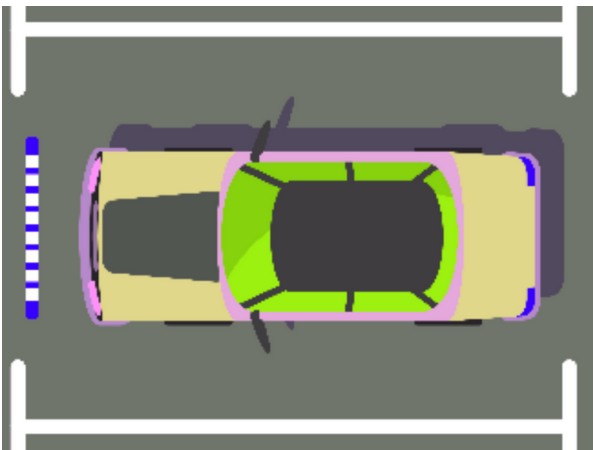
Order bags through CSPI's Amazon Wish List [here](#).

- Gift Cards

- King Soopers
- Grease Monkey
- Big O Tires

Purchase cards then mail to:
CSPI

c/o Barton Institute
1114 W 7th Avenue, Suite 215
Denver, CO 80204



Program Update (cont'd):

night at a SafeLot. And of those, 65 people were able to re-establish themselves in a more permanent home thanks to the resources and services provided to them as a SafeLot guest.

In just two years the CSPI community of volunteers, donors, lot hosts, funders and generous donors like you have accomplished so much together.

If you need a safe place to park overnight, please complete the request form at <https://www.colosafeparking.org/if-you-need-help>