

Dear Friends, March 18, 2025

All Roads has made great progress in the last year, but a gathering storm is on the horizon. Homeless response organizations must respond by shifting more of their funding burden onto the communities they serve and away from government. We are increasingly on our own.

Except, we have you. Let me explain.

First the good news: All Roads placed or supported 413 homeless people in homes of their own last year. We're incredibly proud of 2024, arguably the best year in our 43-year history. Your contributions had a lot to do with it.

We opened a <u>Day Center at our Shelter</u>, which is reducing the number of unsheltered individuals on our streets from 8 AM to 5 PM.

In December we asked you to step up and create the biggest year-end fundraising campaign in our history. You did it, by a lot.





So what has changed?

Three things, which all point in the same direction, toward <u>relying more on people like you to keep the good news coming.</u>

Last fall, due to budget constraints local governments had to significantly cut their contributions to All Roads. On top of that, the State of Colorado is predicting a \$2b budget crisis. More cuts for services like ours are coming.

And the last reason? Washington. Mike Block, our CEO, wrote in his latest Daily Camera oped: "With so much at stake, it can be hard to see those suffering near us, for wanting to follow the drama in Washington. And yet, maintaining the commitment to help those close at hand is itself a strong reaction to our times."

Not only do we get direct funding from the federal government, but indirectly it pays for much

of our permanent housing, in the form of rent support. The media is reporting that HUD is planning to cut 80% of its staff dedicated to addressing homelessness. In addition, most of our clients and residents depend on Medicaid, which may be at risk.

Government support for the neediest is on the chopping block, in a way and to a degree it has never been before.



We're asking you to step up again, to add a gift in addition to your regular support for All Roads, or to recruit your friends and neighbors to give. Can you do that?

We have shown over the past 40+ years that we will put it to efficient, effective use in getting people off the streets and into recovery. Every dollar.



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Thank you again for your gifts, your time, and your support.

With much hope and appreciation,

Andy Schultheiss,

Chief Development Officer



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