

# 2025 Impact Report



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This year marks a big milestone for Resource Central as we celebrate 50 years of conservation impact. That's 50 years of conservation actions by over a million people across 58 communities in Colorado.



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Amy Taylor, Board Chair



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But how do we know if our work is making a lasting difference?

Resource Central's conservation programs are designed to deliver immediate benefits while saving water, reducing waste, and accruing conservation impacts long into the future.

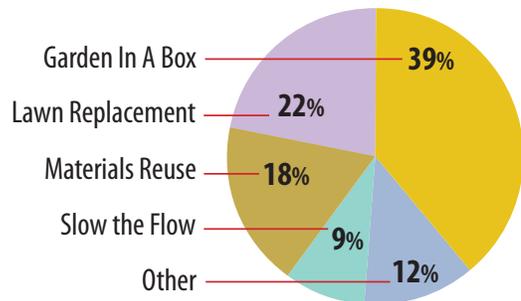
In 2025, we helped **729 families replace their thirsty lawns** with waterwise plants and landscaping through our Lawn Replacement program. Analysis of water records of past participants has shown that when a lawn is removed, an estimated 12,400 gallons of water is saved in the first year and 18,400 gallons in the second — accruing significant long-term impacts. Together, these families will save up to 33 million gallons of water over the next 7 years.

With half of Colorado's water being used outside the home, improving irrigation practices is essential. Our Slow the Flow team helped **2,441 homeowners optimize their sprinkler controls** while identifying **45,000 water-wasting irrigation issues**. At the same time, our Garden In A Box program distributed a record **14,522 low-water and veggie gardens**, saving water while beautifying neighborhoods with pollinator friendly habitat. Together, Resource Central's 2025 water conservation efforts are projected to save **132 million gallons of water over the next 7-10 years**.

Our Reuse facility in Boulder not only reduces waste but inspires a culture that values reuse — one of the most affordable and effective ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support a circular economy. Through our celebrated Rock & Reuse events, upcoming "Nailed It!" DIY workshops, and dedicated volunteers, we are growing participation and appreciation for creative reuse and repair. This year, **over 5 million pounds of materials were repurposed** by a record **61,489 community members**.

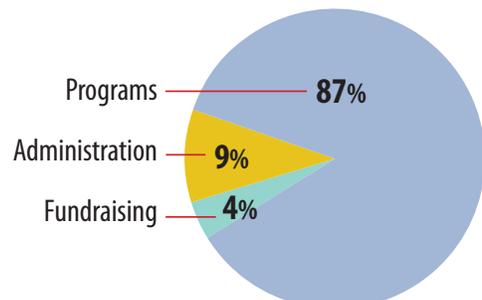
The impacts Coloradans create by participating in Resource Central's programs go far beyond today. Together, these actions save water, reduce waste, and lower costs — building a more waterwise, resilient, and waste-free Colorado.

## REVENUE \$6,691,876\*



\*Preliminary, pending independent audit

## EXPENSES \$6,815,923\*



\*Note that this includes \$530k in non-cash expenses including in-kind rent and depreciation.

# Conservation by the Numbers

## Resource Central's 2025 Impact



### OVERALL IMPACT

103,449

community members taking conservation action



Charity Navigator Rating  
(highest rating achieved!)

### SAVED WATER

14,522

low-water & veggie gardens distributed

— GARDEN IN A BOX —



— ALL PROGRAMS —

2,441

sprinkler systems optimized in homes and HOAs

— SLOW THE FLOW —

729

thirsty lawns removed by our team

— LAWN REPLACEMENT PROGRAM —

132 million  
gallons of water saved

5,051

participants educated on waterwise landscaping

— WATERWISE YARDS SEMINARS —

### REDUCED WASTE

5,076,000

pounds of building materials repurposed

— MATERIALS REUSE —



61,489

community members reusing materials

— MATERIALS REUSE —

### CONSERVED ENERGY

20,077

students helped save energy

— RENEW OUR SCHOOLS —



16

schools participated in energy competitions

— RENEW OUR SCHOOLS —



285

school energy actions completed

— RENEW OUR SCHOOLS —

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