



Stone Soup: Gathering Community, Nourishing Children

Tuesday, March 2, 2021
11:45 am-1:00 pm
Virtual event



**Be a sponsor of this year's
virtual Stone Soup event!**

Honoring Our Essential Workers: Early Childhood Teachers and Caregivers

As we are all navigating our way in this unprecedented time, we want to take the opportunity to shine a light on our community's essential workers—Mile High Early Learning's teachers and staff who are supporting children and families.



We're excited to celebrate our 2021 Stone Soup event virtually!

The experience will begin with on-demand content available on February 23, with the main event on Tuesday, March 2.

We continue to experience and adjust to the ongoing impacts of the COVID pandemic. Our 2021 Stone Soup will highlight these workers and raise critical funds to equip teachers and caregivers with the tools, resources, and training they need to help our youngest learners thrive.

Event highlights

Starting [February 23](#), explore the [Stone Soup story with special guest readers](#) sharing versions of our favorite fable from around the world (available on-demand)

On [March 2](#), join us for our [2021 Stone Soup virtual event](#)

11:45 am

Join us for a [Pre-Event Networking](#) with President Emeritus, Anna Jo Haynes and President, Pamela Harris

12:15 - 1:00 pm

Experience an [inside look at Mile High Early Learning programs](#) with President Pamela Harris

[More details](#) will be provided in early 2021. We look forward to "seeing" you there!

2021 STONE SOUP COMMITTEE

Cindy Abramson	Mike Baska	Alix Corboy	Kate Kennedy Reinemund
Kristy Adams	Rachele Espiritu	Greg Movesian	Anna Jo Haynes

All proceeds of this annual event support Mile High Early Learning's mission: to enable all children to succeed in school by providing resources and education to inspire a lifetime of learning and self-sufficiency.



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2021 SPONSORSHIP LEVELS AND PLEDGE FORM

STONE SOUP 2021 PRESENTING SPONSOR: \$15,000

- Brief remarks during the event
- Opportunity to provide read-aloud guest
- Branding on mainstage feed
- Large ad in the digital program
- Listed as Presenting Sponsor on digital invite
- Logo & link on the landing page
- 2 dedicated social media posts
- Inclusion in thank you email

CHEF DE CUISINE: \$10,000

- Verbal recognition during event
- Opportunity to provide read-aloud guest
- Special recognition during read aloud
- Large ad in the digital program
- Name/logo on digital invite
- Logo & link on the landing page
- 2 dedicated social media posts
- Inclusion in thank you email

EXECUTIVE CHEF: \$7,500

- Verbal recognition during the event
- Medium ad in digital program
- Listed on digital invite
- Logo & link on the landing page
- 1 dedicated social media post
- Inclusion in thank you email

SOUS CHEF: \$5,000

- Verbal recognition during the event
- Small ad in the digital program
- Listed on digital invite
- Logo & link on the landing page
- 1 dedicated social media post
- Inclusion in thank you email

CHEF DE PARTIE: \$2,500

- Recognition during event
- Name/logo on the landing page
- 1 dedicated social media post
- Inclusion in thank you email

COMMIS CHEF: \$1,500

- Recognition during event
- Name/logo on the landing page
- Inclusion in thank you email

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Sponsor Level

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- Stone Soup 2021 Presenting Sponsor: \$15,000
- Chef de Cuisine Sponsor: \$10,000
- Executive Chef Sponsor: \$7,500
- Sous Chef Sponsor: \$5,000
- Chef de Partie Sponsor: \$2,500
- Commis Chef Sponsor: \$1,500

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Mile High Early Learning is Denver's oldest and largest provider of subsidized quality early care and education

Providing High Quality Early Care and Education

Mile High Early Learning offers high quality year-round programs to children ages 6 weeks to 5 years in seven early learning centers that serve many of Denver's most under-resourced neighborhoods.

- **557 infants, toddlers, and preschoolers** participated in our Montessori inspired early learning programs at our centers and partner sites this past year.
- **91% of families** live at or below the Federal Poverty Level (\$25,750 for a family of four), and many experience housing instability, food insecurity, are dual language learners and newcomers to the country.



COVID Impact and Response

Building upon the theme from Stone Soup, we moved quickly to launch Nourishing Our Community – providing food and educational resources to support children's health and well-being and continued learning at home.

- **7,950 meals** were distributed to MHEL families. We also distributed home learning kits in partnership with Denver Museum of Nature and Science and Denver Zoo.
- **Financial assistance** was given to families to help them purchase essential items and pay bills and rent.
- **511 children enrolled** in our center-based programs received early education programming through remote learning.
- **796 children received educational resources** including book bags with learning activities.
- **285 parents and Family, Friend, and Neighbor caregivers** received daily activities for their children through WhatsApp.
- Provided **iPads to 60 families** without technology so their children can participate in our remote educational activities from home.

Engaging Parents and Family, Friend, & Neighbors

Through **Babies Ready for College** and its suite of programs, we serve over 500 parents and caregivers and their children each year – equipping parents and caregivers with vital information about how children's brains grow and ways to facilitate that growth so that their children will succeed in school.



Training Early Childhood Educators

We provide education and training with hands-on practical experiences to early learning professionals through our nationally recognized Professional Learning Center, which includes job-embedded coaching and professional learning for our teachers plus three continuing education programs:

- **Child Development Associate**
- Inclusive Practices in **Early Childhood Credential**
- **Master of Arts** in Learning, Developmental and Family Sciences

Championing equality and finding strength in diversity

Our vision through all of our programming is that children, families, and staff of all racial, cultural, economic, and social backgrounds are joyfully welcomed into a learning community that prioritizes equity and celebrates diversity. We are committed to ongoing professional learning for staff with a focus on culturally responsive practices with an equity lens.