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## Health Links<sup>™</sup> awards funding to 15 Colorado businesses to support health and safety

**AURORA**, Colo. (March 19, 2018) — Health Links<sup>™</sup> has awarded funding to 15 Colorado businesses to support capital health and safety improvements in their workplaces. This year, 29 businesses across five counties submitted applications for Healthy Business Accelerator Awards. Proposals ranged from improving breastfeeding accommodations to purchasing new safety equipment.

The 2018 Healthy Business Accelerator Award recipients are:

- Antlers at Vail (Vail, CO)
- Carbondale Chamber of Commerce (Carbondale, CO)
- Cornerstone Insurance and Financial Group (Gypsum, CO)
- Eagle Valley Land Trust (Edwards, CO)
- Family & Intercultural Resource Center (Silverthorne, CO)
- Fraser Valley Elementary (Fraser, CO)
- Holy Cross Energy (Glenwood Springs, CO)
- Mountain Valley Developmental Services (Glenwood Springs, CO)
- Shaeffer Hyde Construction (Avon)
- St. Anthony Summit Medical Center (Breckenridge, CO)
- Summit Community Care Clinic (Breckenridge, CO)
- Town of Dillon (Dillon, CO)
- Vail Centre (Vail, CO)
- Vail Valley Foundation (Avon, CO)
- Vail Valley Jet Center (Gypsum, CO)

"The accelerator program is a way for us to support local organizations to improve the health and safety of their workplace in a way that is sustainable. A little funding can go a long way. These





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funds help turn a 'wish list' idea into reality and make a real difference in the lives of employees across the state." said Lili Tenney, director of Health Links.

Funding for this program is made possible by Garfield County Public Health and Eagle County Public Health and Environment through a state-based grant that supports efforts to improve chronic disease in Economic Development Region 12 — which includes Pitkin, Eagle, Summit, Grand, and Jackson Counties — and Garfield County.

The next award cycle will begin in April 2019. Employers in Region 12 and Garfield County are eligible to apply. Groups and employers interested in bringing the accelerator program to their community, can contact Kaylee Rivera at <u>Kaylee.Rivera@healthlinkscertified.org</u>. More information about the program can be found online <u>here</u>.

## About Health Links

Health Links is a signature program of the Center for Health, Work & Environment at the Colorado School of Public Health. We collaborate with employers to build a culture of health and safety in the workplace. Backed by the expertise of researchers and our local community advisors, we assess organizations' health and safety policies and programs, advise on actionable goals in one-one advising sessions, connect like-minded businesses with one another and to local resources, and certify qualifying employers as Healthy Businesses. For more information, visit <u>healthlinkscertified.org</u>.

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