



The Colorado Alliance for Retired Americans (CARA) is an active and strong voice for over 30,000 retirees in the State of Colorado. We are a non-profit, non-partisan organization whose mission is to ensure social and economic justice and full civil rights for all citizens so that they may enjoy lives of dignity, personal and family fulfillment and security. CARA believes that all older and retired persons have a right and responsibility to live in a society that incorporates goals that provide opportunities to pursue new and expanded activities with their civic organizations, unions and their communities.

CARA's membership includes a diverse group of seniors involved in the private sector, unions, civic and community organizations. We continue to support the Senior High Rise Food Bank that serves more than 3000 seniors every month. We are fortunate to have two members appointed by the governor to serve on the Colorado Commission on Aging.

MISSION:

- **Build** a strong organization of seniors with ample resources
- **Enroll** and mobilize retired community activist, union members and other seniors into a statewide grass root movement advocating a progressive political and social agenda. One that helps strengthen families and the voice for all older Americans
- **Implement** a communication network to educate members about issues and developments that affect them as individuals and their families
- **Influence** legislation on a national, state and local level
- **Advocate** for the preservation of programs that are vital to the health and economic security of older Americans
- **Conduct** voter education and registration projects
- **Safeguard** pensions and other retirement benefits
- **Identify** job opportunities for older citizens
- **Advocate** and support programs that assist people with disabilities to stay in their homes
- **Recommend, Advocate and Support** affordable and accessible transportation options

CARA continues to encourage all segments of the senior population to work in unity on legislation, political and policy issues of importance to retirees and their families.

Since we are a non-profit, non-partisan organization, we do not endorse candidates. Endorsements are made by the National Alliance.

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