

We're already making a **big impact**

JANUARY



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Enterprise Fellow:
Lang Sias

In the news:

AXIOS Denver

Colorado hit by tsunami of higher taxes, new fees and paycheck cuts

Jan 6, 2023



New Staff:
Cole Anderson,
Research Analyst



THE DENVER POST

Any car stolen in Colorado — even cheap ones — should be a felony, lawmakers say

Jan 16, 2023

Key Impact:



CSI research referenced by legislative leaders at the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce legislative breakfast
State Senator Paul Lundeen



Governor Polis references CSI's Housing Blueprint as research worth reading to inform statewide housing policy

FEBRUARY

George Brauchler and **Mitch Morrissey** named CSI Owens-Early Criminal Justice Fellows. The fellowship is named in honor of former **Governor Bill Owens** and former **Denver District Attorney Norm Early** who established a legacy of public safety and strived to make Colorado a safer place



Named Finalist, **Small Non-Profit of the Year** by Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce

CSI hosted an election forum focused on the most important issues facing Colorado Springs voters



Key Impact:



Transportation report informs bipartisan legislation introduced by Senator Paul Lundeen and Senator Rachel Zenzinger to form a statewide taskforce to better understand transportation spending and student needs

State Senator Rachel Zenzinger



Earl Wright testified on bipartisan legislation addressing long-term solvency needs of PERA



MARCH



Coors Economic Mobility Fellow:
Tamra Ryan



Terry J. Stevinson Fellows:
Doug Benevento &
Tisha Schuller



Public Safety Fellow:
Paul Pazen

Key Impact:



CSI Owens-Early Criminal Justice fellow **Mitch Morrissey** testifies at the Colorado State Capital on the importance of making all auto theft a felony in Colorado as a result of SB-23-097 was passed into law

In the news:



coloradobiz

Celebrating Women's History Month:
Meet the Women Leaders Behind the Common Sense Institute

APRIL



Earl Wright named Chair of the CSI National Board of Directors



Liberal city's 'disgraceful' move before baseball's opening day has activists furious

Mar 30, 2023



Terry J. Stevinson Fellows **Eric Kuhn** & **Jennifer Gimbel** present Adapting Colorado's Water Systems for a 21st Century Economy and Water Supply to the Colorado River Water Conservation District



Citing CSI research and the 2023 study, **Analyzing the Gig Workers Legislation (SB23-098)**, State Senator Jeff Bridges (D) used the CSI report to update the fiscal note on pending legislation with better cost estimates. The move was a huge win according to business partners

State Senator Jeff Bridges

MAY



Buz Koelbel
Elected Board Chair



Dave Davia
Elected Board Vice Chair



The Denver Gazette

Think tank on car thefts: Longer view paints dire picture for Colorado

May 8, 2023



Colorado Tourism Generates over \$60 billion annually

May 10, 2023



Key Impact:



CSI Public Safety Fellow **Chief Paul Pazen** unveiled his new report at a well-attended **virtual press conference on The Fight Against Crime in Colorado**. The report framed the challenges of one of the biggest issues facing voters in upcoming municipal elections

Legislation (HB23-1255) that restricts anti-growth local measures passed into law. Terry J. Stevinson Housing Fellows in their 2021 housing blueprint report recommended this as one of many solutions

Peter LiFari



JUNE

New Board Members
Mark Osborn &
Armen Khadiwala



Health & Wellness Fellow
Dr. Reggie Washington
announced

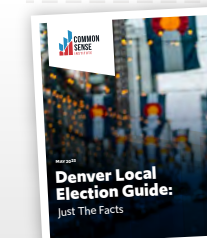


Events:

CSI Executive Directors **Katie Ratlief** & **Kelly Caufield** address the Colorado-Arizona Bankers' Summit



Key Impact:



CSI VP of Policy & Research **Chris Brown** keynotes Grand Junction Chamber event



Denver voters utilized CSI research on crime, housing, and homelessness and top candidates prioritized the issues elevated by CSI research

2023 By the Numbers:

The first Six Months...



NON
NO
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12 Bi-Partisan
Policy Fellows



11
Provided testimony on
11 different occasions



42
Published Reports



41
Events & Speaking
Engagements



4,219
Podcast Subscribers

60,000

Website Visits



2



New Board
Members



452 Local & National
Media Mentions

6 Month REVIEW