



For close to 28 years, KUVU's mission has remained the same: be the leading Latino public radio station in the country. Jazz and information remain at the core of our program philosophy as do specialty programs with Hispanic, African American and Native American themes. Canción Mexicana remains a Sunday morning tradition - KUVU's flagship program, and the most listened to program in that time slot in the Denver metro market. Minority listening audience continues to grow across the broadcast week at KUVU and we remain committed to generations of Latinos who have made Colorado their home. Weekend programming also includes Rhythm & Blues, Brazilian, Latin Jazz, Latino Rock, Blues, Gospel, Native American and Latin American music. News at KUVU continues to grow as well. A new morning music and news show "First take with Lando and Chavis" replaced The Takeaway in September. This program features mostly locally produced content including many live interviews. At KUVU, we remain deeply rooted in our community and continue to strengthen partnerships with valuable community organizations, including arts, social and health services, businesses, municipal and government offices, educational institutions and more. We continue working to impact, reflect and enrich the lives of our diverse community.

KUVU served as media sponsor for the annual, free Five Points Jazz Festival, promoting the legacy of one of Denver's most storied historical districts. KUVU continued its media support for a free summer jazz series at Denver City Park, and when a local police officer was slain in an altercation at the event, KUVU continued its coverage of the case and related justice issues, as well as continued its support of the event.

KUVU also continued its involvement with jazz festivals in Estes Park, Aspen-Snowmass, Longmont, Evergreen, Winter Park, Telluride, Summit County, Niwot's Jazz on 2nd Avenue, Chicano Music Festival, Greeley Blues Jam, and the Vail Jazz Foundation, which promotes the art form of jazz and music education throughout Eagle County, Colorado. In fact, as a community radio station powered largely by volunteers, KUVU supported an aggressive schedule of community arts and culture events, including Denver's Cole Community Coalition, Historic San Rafael Neighborhood, The Denver Public Library Used Book Sale, Juneteenth, Denver Black Arts Festival, Taste of Puerto Rico, Arvada CenterFest, and many more.

In 2012 KUVU continued its commitment to promoting education and high school graduation, a continuation of its participation in the CPB-funded American Graduate project. With support from Scholastic, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and DonorsChoose.org, KUVU contributed to the Teacher Wall project - a virtual town square where America's educators share stories, knowledge and ideas on American education. Regular news features profiled programs, students and leaders in dropout prevention. Particularly in music education, KUVU hosted a professional music workshop and 14 live broadcasting sessions that feature bands from Colorado middle schools, high schools and colleges. KUVU coached and broadcast 11 student voices, recorded at the Denver Public Schools 8th Grade Career Fair.

KUVU is committed to expanding news coverage of education issues relevant to the Latino and African American communities. This includes collaborating with I-News and RMPBS on a series of investigative reports about the growing disparities regarding wealth and educational opportunities in the minority communities. This ongoing investigative series will air on KUVU as well as RMPBS and KUVU.ORG. We have formed a new partnership with RMPBS, which will result in creating and sharing locally produced content across a multimedia platform. This will allow us to create a greater awareness for our culturally rich programs and features. By creating content that is relevant to a growing Latino community, we hope to increase our audience across all multimedia platforms. KUVU continues to work in Eagle County with the Vail Jazz Foundation - themselves, deeply committed to jazz education and feature young jazz musicians in performance every year.