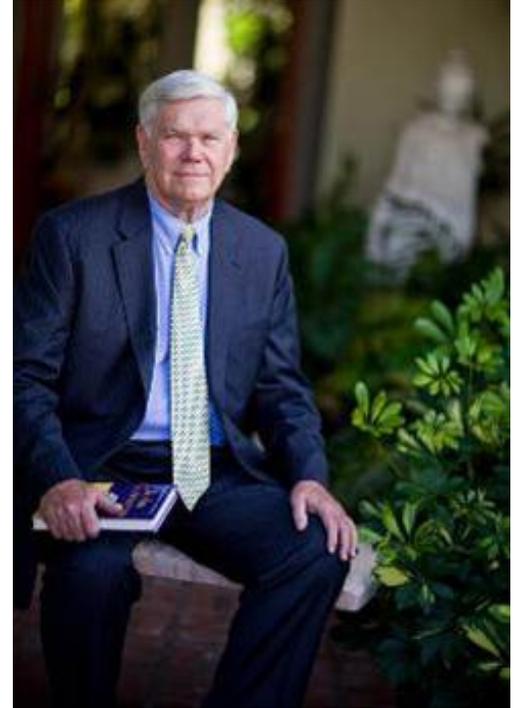


## The Teacher Who Couldn't Read Comes to Colorado: An Independence Institute Brown Bag Lunch with John Corcoran

This year's signature education legislation, the Colorado READ Act, has shined the light on the need to boost early childhood literacy in our state. One of the nation's great literacy champions is coming to the Mile High City to share his compelling story and his insights on this timely and critical issue. Please join us at the **Independence Institute** Freedom Embassy (727 E 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Denver, CO 80203) on **Thursday, August 2**, to hear from our special guest speaker, **John Corcoran**, president and CEO of the [John Corcoran Foundation](#).

Although he completed his college education, taught high school for nearly two decades, raised a family, and successfully developed millions in real estate, John Corcoran did not learn to read until the age of 48. His memoir, *The Teacher Who Couldn't Read*, catapulted him into the national spotlight as a literacy advocate and champion for those who linger in the sub-culture of illiteracy. Corcoran's second book, *Bridge to Literacy: No Child - or Adult - Left Behind* is a powerful call to action to eradicate the illiteracy still prevalent in America.



John Corcoran has served on numerous advisory commissions and corporate boards, as well as receiving two different presidential appointments to serve on the board of the National Institute for Literacy. He is a passionate and respected speaker who has spoken across the United States, Canada, and Europe. He has appeared on 20/20, Larry King Live, CNN, Fox News, The Oprah Winfrey Show, and has done over 200 radio and television interviews. In 2002 John received the *Literacy in Media Lifetime Achievement Award* from the Literacy Network of Greater Los Angeles.

Doors open at 11:30 AM, with the presentation running promptly from noon to 1 PM. The event will be a **Brown Bag Lunch**, so you are welcome to bring your own food along with some thoughtful questions for our guest speaker. You may RSVP for this **free event** by sending an email to [RSVP@i2i.org](mailto:RSVP@i2i.org). Limited free parking is available adjacent to the building and in the lot west of the building across the alleyway. Additional street parking and paid lots are available nearby. The meeting room is on the lower level of the building, with no access by elevator. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

