

## **Colorado Springs Chapter, CO Article for Officer Review Magazine**

### **TITLE: COS MOWW Welcomes CEO of National Cybersecurity Center**

The Colorado Springs (COS), Colorado Chapter of MOWW was honored to welcome Ms Aleta Jeffress, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the National Cybersecurity Center (NCC) as our guest speaker during our 25 January 2025 Companion Meeting. Ms. Jeffress provided an excellent presentation on the mission of the National Cybersecurity Center and its impact to our community and nation. Based in Colorado Springs, the NCC is a 501(c)3 Non-Profit corporation that provides training, evaluations, and specialized expertise to state and local governments as well as corporations and businesses to secure their information technology networks, intellectual property, and infrastructure. The NCC has established relationships with key organizations in government, education, and industry and sponsors programs to build cyber resiliency and collaboration in the security market across Colorado and the United States. Ms. Jeffress is responsible for securing funding, largely through donations, defining the organization's strategy and direction, driving business development, and delivering services to state and local governments, and the public. She previously served in both private industry, as an executive business leader for CGI, an international IT consulting and services firm, and in the public sector as Chief Information & Strategy Officer and Chief Privacy Officer for the City of Aurora, CO. She is a Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) with extensive experience in securing the mid-tier infrastructure environment for the Defense Financial Accounting System, the payment system for millions of employees within the Department of Defense. We thank Ms. Jeffress for her service to the nation and for her informative presentation on securing our information technology infrastructure.



Colonel Kerm Neal, COS Commander, presents a MOWW award to Ms. Aleta Jeffress, CEO of the National Cybersecurity Center