

Salida Pregnancy Resource Center All Services Free and Confidential

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Serving women, men, babies and families since 1989



Life Lines Newsletter

An Unexpected Blessing

Recently at the Center we experienced a wonderful Blessing, one very memorable that reinforced our appreciation of all the material donations we receive. Being able to keep the Center well stocked with all the items that babies need is so important to our families.

One day, at about noon, I received a call from the nursing staff at the hospital asking for our help. The nurse stated that a mother who had delivered two days before and had an adoption plan for her baby was now intending to parent

the baby. Because mother had originally planned for the adoption, she did not have any items for the baby, including sleeping arrangement, clothing, and all the other needs. The nurse asked if we could come to the rescue for this mother and her baby. I told the nurse this is what we do best-support mothers and babies.



Arrangements were made that a friend of the mother would come to the Center later in the day to obtain the items and deliver them to where mother and baby will be living. The staff and the volunteer spent the afternoon gathering all the items a newborn baby would need. We had a donated bassinette that was like new, a new car seat still in the box, an unopened case of newborn diapers that had

been donated earlier that day. Many other nice items were gathered including tiny clothing of all sorts, blankets, new bottles, handmade sweater and bonnet, 2 cans of formula, "swadlers", and more. Also, we included information about the Center and all the support we give to parents.



When the friend arrived later that day, we were able to fill the car with all the items lovingly provided for this new mother and baby. The joy and pleasure of this unexpected Blessing lingered with us. We will keep mother and baby in our hearts and prayers for days to come. We are hoping to see them soon.

What Are Your Colorado Legislators Doing?

The Colorado General Assembly has been in session since January 8. There are currently 28 bills under consideration that are of interest to pro-life and pro-family citizens. To find the status of any bill and to research other bills go to www.leg.Colorado.gov



Some of the bills of interest to us are described here:

HB 25-1257 Relinquishment of Child In Newborn Safety Device: This is the so-called baby box that provides an anonymous option for a parent under Colorado's Safe Haven Law. This would allow fire stations and hospitals to install an approved "baby box" in their facility. The bill would also extend the relinquishment age of the baby from 72 hours up to 60 days.

HB 1252 Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment Regulation of Abortion Clinics: Requires the department to annually license and to establish and enforce standards for the operation of medical facilities that perform medical or surgical induced abortions during the second or third trimester of pregnancy.

HB 1255 Health Care Provider Right to Exercise Conscience: Creates the "Medical Ethics Defense Act" which allows a health-care provider to refuse to participate in or pay for a medical procedure, treatment, or service that violates the health-care provider's conscience.

Others are related to IVF, increasing paid Family Medical Leave, parental consent to treatment of a minor, designating January 22 as state Reproductive and Justice Day. If you want more information, please call the Center.

March, 2025

Community Impact

Totals for 2024

Client Visits 503

New Clients 146

Shopping 277

Parenting

Lessons 97

Value of in-kind

Donations \$10,209

Volunteer

Hours 1,460

Value of Volunteer \$46,428 Hours



How You Can Support SPRC

PRAYERS

Monthly Donations

Online donations can be made at www.friendsofSPRC.com

Donate by mail: Box 1363 Salida

Volunteer at the Center

In-Kind Donations: of new and gently used clothing, baby items, no used car seats.

Diapers size 3 & 4

Postage Stamps

Printer Paper

30-gallon trash bags

Small bottles of water

Baby Wipes



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Friday: 11-4 Thursday: 12-5 Closed all Federal Holidays



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What Are Parenting Lessons?

One of the benefits to clients of our Pregnancy Center is access to our extensive catalog of parenting lessons. As with all of our services these lessons are free to registered clients. The clients earn shopping points by completing parenting lessons. These shopping points (Baby Bucks) are used for selecting items for baby and mother in our well-stocked boutique. Our wish is to assist clients to develop parenting skills and gain knowledge about the physical, emotional, and mental health needs of their children.

The lessons are produced by a company named Bright Course. This is a subscription -based video streaming service that we have been using for some years. The lessons are evidencebased and information is updated regularly to ensure accuracy of content. We subscribe to the Spanish language courses to ensure our Spanish-speaking clients are also well-served. The videos are easy to understand and entertaining.

The video format is very convenient for our moms and dads to

do the lessons. They can do them at home or any convenient time and place. There are over 300 different lessons ranging from Pregnancy and Birth to Toddlers to Life Skills to Fatherhood. There are also Bible studies lessons available. Clients select the lessons that best fit their current needs and staff recommend others as appropriate.



Once the lesson is completed the client schedules an in-person appointment with one of our Client Advocates who will review the material and answer questions. This reinforces the lesson and provides additional support for parents. At that time the points are awarded, and the client can shop immediately.

These lessons provide parents with the skills to attain self-confidence and independence as they raise their children. Supporting families is one of the things we do best at SPRC!

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you. before you were born I set you apart: I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." Jer 1:5



"Whoever receives one such child in My name receives Me." Matt 18:5

Ladies Spring Fling Brunch and Fundraiser



It is time once again to welcome and celebrate Spring with our Annual Ladies Brunch. We have some very nice items on the Silent Auction including a few of the famous and collectible Longaberger Baskets.

This is always such a fun event, giving us time to "catch-up" with many of our dedicated SPRC friends! We have scheduled a wonderful speaker, a retired policewoman who will educate us about personal safety and security. She will also provide information on the latest technology in personal safety devices. Taking responsibility for our personal safety and that of others requires specific education and tactics we can learn. You will not want to miss this!

Please join us for the catered Brunch and Fundraiser on Saturday, April 12 at the Community Center, third and F streets in Salida. We will meet at 10 am and conclude about 1230 pm. Ladies will receive a postcard invitation soon. Please RSVP to the Center by April 2 so we have plenty of our wonderful catered brunch for you. Please invite your friends!



Banque/

Coming Events:

April is National Volunteer Month. We love our Volunteers!

April 12 Ladies Spring Brunch and **Fundraiser**

April 18 Center closed on Good Friday April 20 Resurrection of our Lord and Savior

May 11 Mother's Day Baby Bottles in churches until Father's Day

October 14 Annual Banquet and Fundraiser











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