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Salida Pregnancy Resource Center  
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Serving women, men, babies and families since 1989



# Life Lines Newsletter

## Life is a Gift...The First Gift

2025 Annual Fundraiser and Banquet **BEST ONE EVER!**

Considering the attendance numbers, the money raised and the message of our guest speaker Megan Almon, this year's event has been proclaimed the "best one ever" annual event. That is high praise considering the many years SPRC has been having events in our 36-year history. Also receiving praise was the scrumptious dinner catered by Grammy's Kitchen.



Attendance this year was an all-time high of 180 guests. The Center sent invitations to all on our mailing list and this year that was 300 invites. Also, we had some designated table hosts who invited friends and neighbors. We had many first-time attendees this year and some of them were kind enough to donate either with Silent Auction purchases or donation envelopes.

The Silent Auction generated \$5,000 and this was without direct expenses because all the SA items were donated by local businesses. We had many beautiful and valuable items including the Pizza Party for 8, rafting trips, BnB stays, jewelry, original art and more. The volunteers spent many hours obtaining these wonderful items.



We have been blessed for many years by the donations from our event underwriters and sponsors. These donations ensure that all banquet expenses are covered before the event. That means all money raised at the event goes directly to support the Center and women, men, and families who come to us for help. We can keep the lights on and the staff and volunteers here to serve moms, dads and families.

The final total of revenue for the **Annual Fundraiser was \$50,623. Net income was \$39,042.**

Our guest speaker, Megan Almon, was inspiring and gave us many tools to promote our pro-life position and to examine the opposite position. One of the techniques Megan uses to dismantle some pro-abortion arguments is SLED. This acronym represents Size, Location, Environment, Dependence. More about this is available on Megan's website which is [www.meganalmon.com](http://www.meganalmon.com).

The time we spend together each year at the event is a Blessing. The Center staff and volunteers happily anticipate being with you that evening. The effort and preparations are truly a labor of love and a highlight of our year.



Thank you everyone for coming this year and in previous years. Mark your calendars for next year's event, Tuesday, October 13, 2026!

## Getting to know Board Member John Myers

Recently I visited with Center Board member and Vice President John Myers while he was at the Center doing his weekly volunteering. It was a pleasure learning about John's life and his spiritual journey. John is a retired pastor who also serves as spiritual adviser to the Center. John has been a board member since May of 2022. John described his reason for serving on the Board as the ability to be part of a ministry that supports women, families and men as they struggle to live; celebrating life, one of God's most powerful attributes. As a volunteer he said he is able to see firsthand the work of the Center,

John was born in Springfield, Missouri in 1958, the youngest of three children. The oldest is his brother Bob who is 12 years older and also a retired pastor. The family moved to Salida from Attica, Kansas in 1967 when John was in the fourth grade. He attended Longfellow elementary school and remembered two of his teachers, Miss Beck and Mrs. Carter. He also recalled that Tommie Hughes was the music teacher at school. ....

## December, 2025

### Community Impact

Nov 2024 - Nov 2025	
Client Visits	548
New Clients	36
Shopping	304
Parenting Lessons	103
Value of in-kind Donations	\$14,278
Volunteer Hours	1376
Value of Volunteer Hours	\$46,082



## How You Can Support SPRC

### PRAYERS

### Monthly Donations

Online donations can be made at [www.friendsofSPRC.com](http://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 & 5

Postage Stamps

One gallon storage bags

Small bottles of water

Baby wipes



## SPRC Hours

Monday: 10-3  
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Thursday: 12-5

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.... From the age of 13 John worked at the Texaco gas station his father owned which was located on highway 50. While in high school John participated in the Glee Club and remembered fondly the vocal music director, John Held. John was raised in a strong Christian family. At the age of 16 John professed that he had to make Christ the Lord of his life and give Jesus control of his life.

In 1976 John graduated from high school and soon after married his sweetheart Pamela. The newlyweds moved to Cortez, Colorado and John worked there at the local Pizza Hut for 5 years. He decided that he needed more education in business management, so the family moved to Durango to attend Ft Lewis College. After graduation John, Pam, and 2 children moved to California where John worked for a building services company with offices in 5 states.

In 1990 John heard God calling him to the ministry. This was not part of John's life plan and he tried to avoid answering. He substituted other activities in the local church. In his words he was a "Super Deacon". Finally, after 2 years of resisting, John accepted the "call" and enrolled in seminary. Eventually he obtained a Master's Degree in Divinity to better serve the Lord and his congregation.

In 2016 John and Pam experienced another "call" and that was to return to Colorado. They began the search for Pastor vacancies. They learned a vacancy was becoming available at the Temple Baptist church in Salida. Coincidentally, (or not), the interim pastor serving there was John's brother Bob.

John served as pastor at Temple Baptist Church until his retirement in 2024. This initially reluctant servant had served in formal ministry for 30 years. John and Pam continue to be very active in many community activities that lift up families and promote Christian values. We are Blessed and thankful to have John as a Board Member and volunteer for the Center.

### ProLife Ballot Issues 2026 election

Currently there are 3 initiative petitions being circulated in Colorado for the 2026 ballot that are of interest to ProLife citizens and all who are concerned with the safety and well-being of our children and families.

The primary sponsor of these initiatives is the organization **Protect Kids Colorado**.

According to their Mission statement on the website [www.protectkidscolorado.org](http://www.protectkidscolorado.org)



"Protect Kids Colorado is a broad coalition of parents, grandparents, and concerned citizens coming together to protect kids and strengthen families in Colorado... Our initiatives were designed for the safety of children and to ensure parents are a fundamental part of their child's development."

Other organizations that have provided support to this project include Colorado Catholic Conference and Catholic Vote Civic Action. Catholic Vote funded the cost of printing all the petitions circulating statewide.

#### Petition #108 Penalties for Human Trafficking of a Minor

*Strengthens laws against the sex trafficking of children, including changing the crime from a class 2 felony to a class 1 felony with a mandatory sentence of life in prison without the possibility of parole or release. According to the Conference's website Colorado is ranked 10th in the nation for highest sex trafficking reports.*

#### Petition #109 Male and Female Participation in School Sports.

*Affirms the "unique and immutable biological differences" between men and women from birth and that those differences become more pronounced as children reach puberty. Policies that allow biologic men to participate in women's sports promote the unfair treatment of women and pose potentially dangerous and inappropriate situations for young women including sharing bathrooms and locker rooms with biological men.*



#### Petition #110 Prohibit Certain Surgeries on Minors

*Recognizes that minors lack the maturity to make "permanent life-altering medical decisions" and that medical interventions and surgery intended to alter a child's biological sex often result in severe, irreversible consequences and even sterility. Also prohibits state funding from being used or such medical interventions or surgeries. \**

If you have the opportunity to sign any or all 3 of these petitions please do so. Secondly please consider voting in favor of these in the November 2026 election. Share this information with your friends and family.  
\* much of the wording is taken verbatim from the websites of Protect Kids Colorado and/or Colorado Catholic Conference.

### Coming Events :

- January 18 2026 Sactityof Human Life Sunday
- January 22 Anniversary of Roe v. Wade Decision
- February 14 St. Valentine's Day
- March 17 St. Patrick's Day
- April TBD Annual Ladies Brunch and Fundraiser
- April is National Volunteers Appreciation Month



When making donations to the Center please check with businesses you use to see if they have a matching grant program. For example Sangre de Cristo Electric offers to match up to \$200. for members' donations to non-profits. A convenient way to multiply your donation!



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