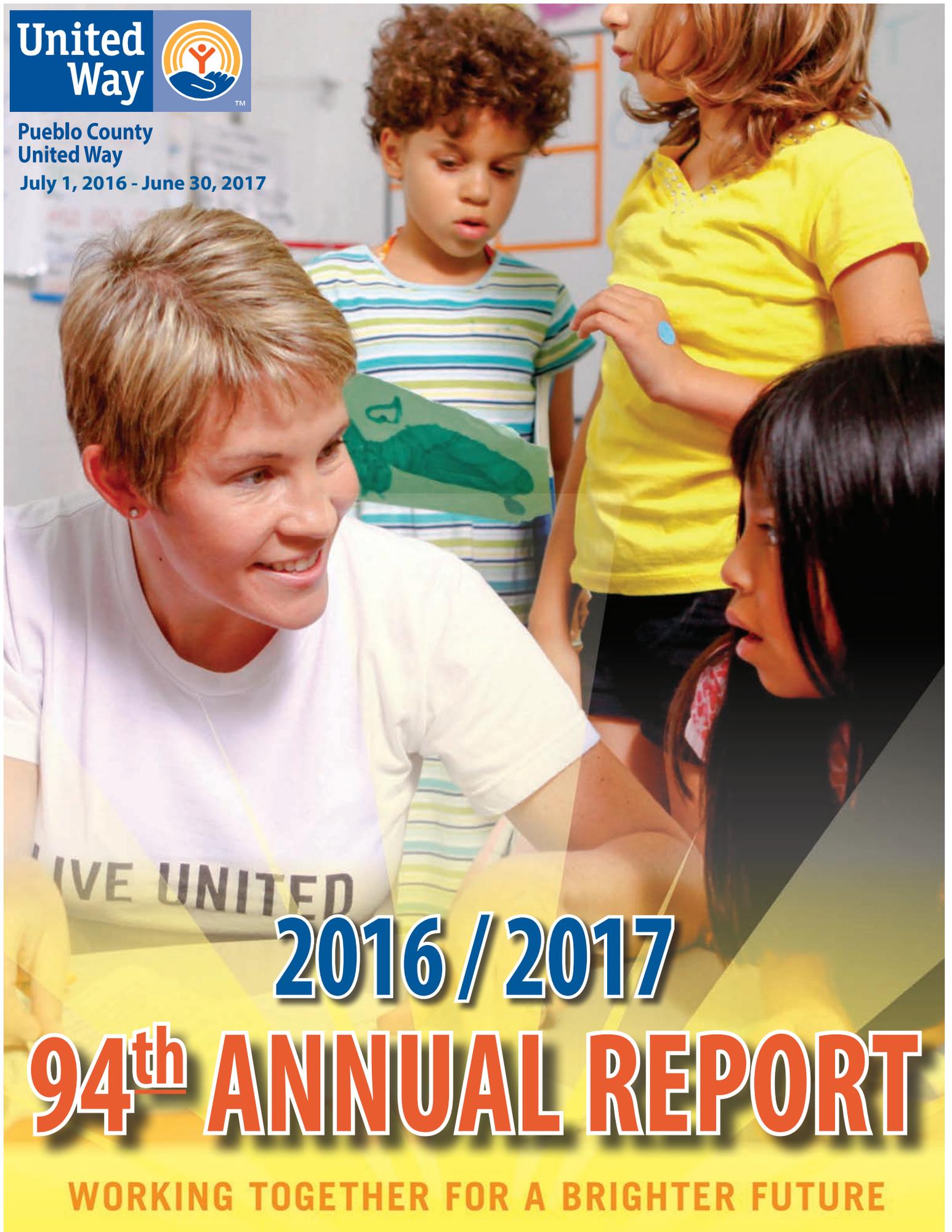


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**Pueblo County  
United Way**

**July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017**



**2016 / 2017**

**94<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL REPORT**

**WORKING TOGETHER FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE**

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## Welcome to the Board!

In May 2017, United Way of Pueblo County was honored to bring on the following new board members, whose first term began in May 2017 and will end April 2020:

- Slane Dickerson, Blazer Electric
- Jim Duff
- Chrissy Holliday, CSU-Pueblo
- Paula Perea, UTC Aerospace Systems
- Stacie Shirley, Buxman Kwitek, PC

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Year Elected: 2013  
First Term Expires: 4/2016  
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Year Elected: 2012  
First Term Expires: 4/2015  
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First Term Expires: 4/2014  
Second Term Expires: 4/2017

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Year Elected: 2016  
First Term Expires: 4/2019  
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Year Elected: 2015  
First Term Expires: 4/2018  
Second Term Expires: 4/2021

## ■ JEFFREY TUCKER

Parkview Medical Center  
Year Elected: 2016  
First Term Expires: 4/2019  
Second Term Expires: 4/2022

**BUILDING BLOCKS FOR COMMUNITY CHANGE:**

2016/2017 Data Reported

Businesses Campaigned: **230+**

Donors: **9,000+**

Volunteers: **667**

In-Kind Value (donated & volunteer time): **\$276,857**

Continuum of Care Total: **\$3,412,170**

Total raised & invested in our community

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***"Serving on the Board one sees the beauty of the Pueblo and its citizens as they consistently show sympathy for those who need help coupled with love and generosity extended to them. It was a privilege to work with many of the quiet heroes of this wonderful City. Put another way, United Way of Pueblo provides one of the best bangs for the buck around."***

***- John Keilbach, Attorney***

## 2016/2017 Board Chair – Doug Hayes

### **Congratulations Pueblo**

**County!** With your generous and dedicated support, your Pueblo County United Way had another very successful year. Our annual campaign increased again despite a very tough year and surpassed the one million dollar mark for the SEVENTH year in a row. In fact, we have increased our campaign for FOURTEEN straight years, which has never been done before in our long history, even in light of a not-so-terrific economy. So I would like to take a moment to say thank you for your generosity and time throughout my service.

As a member of the Board of Trustees and the United Way Allocations Committee, I have been fortunate enough to see firsthand how your contributions made a record impact in our community. There were well over 184,000 units of service provided in 2016, funding over 25 outstanding Pueblo nonprofit organizations and over 40 different programs within those nonprofits. It's easy to get excited about these incredible numbers, because at the end of the day you are helping to make a real difference in individual lives of so many of our fellow community members. Here are just a few highlights of those community impacts:

The United Way Middle School Mentoring Program continues to



**DOUG HAYES**, 2016 Chair Board of Trustees Pueblo County United Way, Director of Carbon Operations, UTC Aerospace Systems

grow with an AMAZING group of 112 mentors, giving at least one hour a week of their time to 6, 7, & 8th grade students. Grades, test scores and behavior have improved significantly, as well as general "attitude" and school engagement. We are now at Heaton, Pueblo Academy of Arts, Liberty Point International in Pueblo West, Roncalli STEM Academy and Heroes Academy. With your support we are making a difference in the lives of so many of Pueblo's youth!

Our Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program is an IRS program that trains volunteers to provide FREE income tax assistance. In addition to saving taxpayers the cost of filing their taxes, VITA works to ensure that folks are receiving beneficial tax credits like the earned income and child-care tax credit. This year, our volunteers served over 1,250 individuals with their taxes and helped return \$1.8 million dollars

back into our community!

In total, over 9,000 people participated in United Way's community activities, with over 230 workplace campaigns, over 667 volunteers, resulting in a total impact of over \$3,412,000 (campaign, other contributions, in-kind and value invested in the community).

As we close the books on such a fantastic year and look to carry the momentum forward into next year, I would like to thank my fellow Board of Trustees and all the United Way volunteers for all the hard work that went into producing these outstanding results. Finally, I would like to thank Andrea Aragon and her exceptional staff for their untiring dedication to the Pueblo Community. In over 25 years of manufacturing management, in three large corporate organizations, I have never been involved with a more cohesive and professional team. Pueblo County is very fortunate to have such a well-run United Way organization.

It has been a rewarding experience being part of the United Way team over the past 6-years and it was an honor to serve as the Chair of the Board of Trustees for the Pueblo County United Way. Thank you for making a difference in the Pueblo community and for Living United.

# GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER.

## 94th Annual Meeting & Awards Luncheon

UNITED WAY ANNOUNCES 2016 CAMPAIGN TOTAL RESULTS OF



# \$1,065,675

HONORS DONORS AND VOLUNTEERS AT 94th ANNUAL MEETING AND AWARDS PRESENTATION

United Way of Pueblo County brought the community together to celebrate how bright the future can be when working together at the 94th Annual Meeting and Awards Presentation on Wednesday, May 17. US Bank Market President **Kevin McCarthy** led the campaign as the 2016 Campaign Chair. He announced to an anxious crowd that a total of \$1,065,675 had been raised during the campaign! The result meets and surpasses the goal set in September 2016 of \$1,065,000, becoming highest total raised to date and the record-breaking 14th straight year the annual fundraising campaign has increased! **The campaign represents a noteworthy portion of the fundraising efforts, but does not tell the whole story of the impact. In total, United Way of Pueblo County has raised over \$3.4 million dollars in continuum of care support during the 2016 campaign, including volunteer in-kind hours, in-kind gifts, leveraged funds, special grant and program dollars.**

The Annual Meeting is held each year to reveal the results from the year's campaign efforts, pay tribute to the many volunteers and donors who generously give of their time and money to benefit the community and elect new Board of Trustees members and officers (see front inside cover for a list of board members and officers). Awards were given to companies who had significant gains in their campaigns and outstanding volunteers were honored (see page 5 and 12 for complete listing of award recipients). The event was sponsored by Xcel Energy. Ruben Roman, Xcel Energy Comanche Station senior operations manager and United Way board member, addressed the crowd and

announced that the company had raised an incredible total of \$200,546.80 in employee and corporate gifts to benefit the 2016 campaign!

United Way also gave a special thank you to **PCAPP Partners (Bechtel, AECOM, Battelle & GP), Southern Colorado Community Foundation, the David & Lucile Packard Foundation, El Pomar Foundation, Temple Hoyne Buell Foundation, US Bank, Ent Credit Union, Little Caesars Pizza, and The Pueblo Chieftain** for providing matching grants that benefited the 2016 campaign. **CSU-Pueblo Head Football Coach John Wristen** was recognized for selecting United Way of Pueblo County as his Charity of Choice for the 2017 Colorado Coaches for Charity – for the fourth year in a row! **Lawrence Kochis**, previous United Way of Pueblo County Campaign Director/AFL-CIO Community Liaison was applauded for his retirement on March 31 after 30 years of service with United Way of Pueblo County. Several organizations were recognized for their new campaigns, gains, efforts, and special events held throughout the year. **Loaf 'N Jug** was recognized for their in-kind donation of two \$500 gas cards given to individuals who attended a United Way campaign presentation during the fundraising year. A special recognition also acknowledged media partners. United Way of Pueblo County Board of Directors Vice Chair **Rick Holmes**, Bechtel & PCAPP project manager, concluded the event by expressing his gratitude to those who support the organization, noting the impact of careful donor stewardship on behalf of United Way, and welcoming himself as the 2017/2018 incoming Chairman!



## 2016 Campaign Chair – Kevin McCarthy

United Way of Pueblo County was very fortunate that long-time United Way supporter and Pueblo business leader, Kevin McCarthy of US Bank,

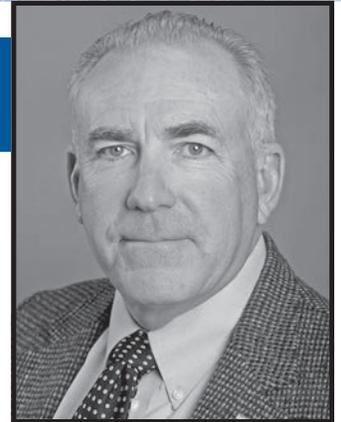
accepted the challenge of serving as the 2016 Campaign Chair. Thanks to his "taking care of business" mentality, United Way and the community

benefited greatly when we achieved our 2016 campaign goal of raising \$1,065,000.

"When Kevin joined our campaign cabinet last year, it was immediately evident that he is very well connected and well respected," said United Way President/CEO Andrea Aragon. "Kevin gets things done, and that's exactly what he did. He was thorough, persistent and determined. Exactly the person we needed to lead our campaign. We struck gold with Kevin McCarthy as part of our team," she added.

In addition to a successful career in the banking industry, Kevin has a long

history of giving back to civic and nonprofit programs and ventures. In fact, Kevin served as a United Way Loaned Executive over 20 years ago. In this role, Kevin helped United Way broaden its reach, raise money and run more efficiently. Kevin is the Market President and Commercial Manager for Pueblo and Southern Colorado. He has served US Bank since 1983 when he was hired as a commercial lender and manager for the correspondent banking business. Prior to joining US Bank he spent 7 years in various banking positions with Pueblo Bank and Trust and Intrawest Bank (Wells Fargo). Kevin serves on the boards of the Southern Colorado Community Foundation,



the Sangre de Cristo Arts and Conference Center Endowment Board and the PEDCO Foundation Board. He is a graduate of Colorado State University Pueblo with a Bachelor degree in business administration and is a graduate of the Graduate School of Banking from the University of Colorado in Boulder Colorado.

If you see Kevin out and about, please thank him for taking on this challenge and serving Pueblo in this very important way!

*"I was honored not only to be asked but to serve as the Chair this past year. Being more involved in the United Way the past few years reminded me of the importance of giving to such a great organization and the agencies they serve. It also taught me that we need to communicate to young people joining the workforce what the UW does in our community and how they can help, to new businesses in Pueblo and most importantly to businesses that have not been involved in giving to the United Way due to misconceptions about how the money is spent. I believe if we continue to get the word out and educate those unfamiliar with the United Way our annual goal can continue to grow and be met." – Kevin McCarthy*

### In Gratitude and Memory

*"The memory of a good deed can never be taken from a heart that is grateful." – Chinese Proverb*

The community of Pueblo suffered tremendous losses in the past year due to the passing of four incredible community leaders who also were United Way donors and supporters. The impact of their generosity and passion for United Way and Pueblo will never be forgotten.

**ROBERT H. RAWLINGS**

**RAY KOGOVSEK**

**SANDY STEIN**

**DR. EDDIE DEROSE**

### With Special Gratitude for Making our Community Brighter...

## United Way Campaign Cabinet

- KEVIN MCCARTHY, CHAIR, US BANK
- CHRISTOPHER BURKE, BLACK HILLS ENERGY
- DAN CENTA
- JEFF CHOSTNER, 10<sup>th</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY
- JOHN CORDOVA
- DAVE FEAMSTER, LITTLE CAESARS PIZZA
- KIM FOWLER, PUEBLO CHIEFTAIN
- RON FRANCIS, PEWAG TRACTION CHAIN, INC.
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- ANDREW LANG, TR TOPPERS
- DENNIS MAES
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- JACK QUINN
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- MICHAEL SALARDINO, SECURITY SERVICE INVESTMENTS
- RAY SWERDFEGER, K.R. SWERDFEGER CONSTRUCTION
- ASHLEY VALDEZ, XCEL ENERGY
- BARBARA VIDMAR

## President and CEO – Andrea Aragon

This year marks fifteen years that I have served as the President/CEO of your United Way. Wow! I guess the old saying really is true – time flies when you're having fun. The years have been full of many challenges and victories, some tears, lots of blessings and time spent working with the best people anyone would hope to know. As I reflect on my time at United Way, one word comes to mind: gratitude. YOU and our many United Way donors, volunteers and supporters are the source of that gratitude.

I feel absolutely blessed to be a part of this organization. Not everyone is fortunate enough to feel gratitude for what they do for a living, I would guess there are very few. I get the rare opportunity to see generosity in action every single day. Whether it's giving of time, talent and/or treasure, it is truly inspiring. From our board and committee members who lend us their expertise and advice; to our mentors who donate their precious time and compassionate hearts to be a positive adult role model; to the thousands of United Way donors who give of their own hard-earned dollars to help someone else's life become brighter, my heart can't help but be filled with gratitude and joy.

Speaking of gratitude, I must give special thanks to **Kevin McCarthy**, market president of US Bank, for serving as our 2016 Campaign Chair. Kevin never hesitated when asked to serve in this

critical role and never missed a beat. He opened many doors for us thanks to his credibility and impeccable reputation. Without his hard work, and that of our mighty United Way Campaign Cabinet, we would not have made our goal. In addition, I want to thank our United Way Board Chair, **Doug Hayes**, UTC Aerospace Systems, for truly making the most of his time as a United Way board member and leader. He served not only as our chair, but also as a long-time allocations committee member, totally immersing himself in the grant-making process, understanding community needs, and making tough decisions. We struck gold with both Doug and Kevin as our leaders.

I also want to thank our United Way Board of Trustees for their incredible support and their unwavering desire to "do the right thing" for our community. We have the best board in Pueblo! Finally, a huge shoutout to the United Way staff. While our work is extremely meaningful, it can also be exhausting and challenging. Each day I see them working hard to serve you, our donors and our volunteers, but also to improve our community. They truly believe in what they do, and it is reflected in the quality of their work. To put it simply, they rock!

If there was one thing that I would want you to know about my time thus far at United Way is that I am so thankful



to you for allowing me to be a part of such an amazing organization for 15 years. It has been a great privilege. The only time I have ever felt unsatisfied is when I wished we could do more. I have realized that while we can't solve every issue or provide every single need, I know we are making a huge difference in thousands of lives right here in Pueblo County. We have our challenges as a community, but at the end of the day, I feel great comfort in knowing that our community is filled with amazing citizens like you, from all walks of life and all levels of income who have united together to not just talk about our problems, but to actively do something about them. That's generosity in action, folks, and it's a wonderful thing.

*"I would maintain that thanks are the highest form of thought, and that gratitude is happiness doubled by wonder."  
– Gilbert Chesterton*

*"Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates vision for tomorrow."  
– Melody Beattie*

\*NOTE: Information/donors in this report generally reflects activity from July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017.

We greatly appreciate our supporters and strive for accuracy in this report. If we have made an error or omission, please kindly let us know.

## Campaign Awards



### Corporate Awards Criteria

Minimum 5 employees or more; minimum campaign total of \$500  
 Excellence – minimum \$90 per capita  
 Gold – minimum \$65 per capita  
 Silver – minimum \$50 per  
 Bronze – minimum \$40 per capita  
 Special Achievement – 20% increase or more

### Employee and Labor Campaign Award Criteria

Minimum 5 employees or more; minimum campaign total of \$500  
 Excellence – minimum \$100 per capita & 90% participation  
 Gold – minimum \$75 per capita & 75% participation  
 Silver – minimum \$65 per capita & 65% participation  
 Bronze – minimum \$50 per capita & 50% participation  
 Special Achievement – 20% increase or more

### Award of Excellence

#### **Employee**

East Side Child Care Center  
 Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce  
 Rampart Supply  
 Salvation Army Pueblo Corps  
 Security Service Federal Credit Union  
 Sunflower Bank  
 United Way of Pueblo County  
 Xcel Energy

#### **Labor**

IBEW Local #111

#### **Corporate**

Blazer Electric  
 Ent Credit Union  
 Kaiser Permanente  
 PCAPP Partners  
 Rampart Supply  
 Sunflower Bank  
 TR Toppers  
 Xcel Energy

### GOLD AWARDS

#### **Employee**

Boy Scouts, Rocky Mountain Council  
 Housing Authority of the City of Pueblo  
 pewag Traction Chain  
 Pueblo Water  
 YWCA

#### **Labor**

AFSCME Local #1045  
 AFSCME Local #155D

### Silver Awards

#### **Employee**

Atmos Energy  
 Ent Credit Union  
 Pueblo Child Advocacy Center  
 TR Toppers

#### **Corporate**

PepsiCo  
 UTC Aerospace Systems

### BRONZE AWARDS

#### **Employee**

AECOM  
 Bechtel  
 Boys and Girls Clubs of Pueblo County  
 Comcast  
 First Oak Bank  
 Legacy Bank  
 Southside Children's Center  
 US Bank

#### **Corporate**

Black Hills Energy  
 GCC Rio Grande

### Special Achievement Awards

#### **Employee**

Anthem Association  
 Atmos Energy (Lamar)  
 Bank of the San Juans  
 Bassett Construction  
 Black Hills Energy  
 Black Hills Energy (Legacy Gas)  
 Boy Scouts, Rocky Mountain Council  
 Comcast  
 Convergys  
 Ent Credit Union  
 FirstOak Bank  
 GCC Rio Grande  
 GH Phipps Construction  
 Krage Manufacturing  
 Pueblo Bank & Trust  
 Pueblo Community Health Center  
 Pueblo School of Arts and Sciences (PSAS)  
 Sangre De Cristo Arts & Conference Center  
 Southside Children's Center  
 SRDA  
 Target Stores  
 TR Toppers  
 Transportation Technology Center  
 UTC Aerospace Systems  
 Valero Energy  
 Vidmar Motor Company

#### **Labor**

IBEW #667

#### **Corporate**

Adams Electric  
 Anthem Association  
 Black Hills Energy  
 Black Hills Energy (Legacy Gas)  
 Century Link  
 Convergys  
 Health Solutions  
 K.R. Swerdfeger Construction  
 Krage Manufacturing  
 Latino Chamber of Commerce  
 PSC Industrial Services  
 Southern Colorado Clinic, PC  
 The Pueblo Chieftain  
 TR Toppers  
 UTC Aerospace Systems  
 Valero Energy  
 Wells Fargo Foundation  
 WorkZone Traffic Control, Inc.

# WOW!

100% Employee Participation Campaigns



- Boy Scouts, Rocky Mountain Council
- Boys and Girls Clubs of Pueblo County
- East Side Child Care Center
- Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce
- Pueblo Child Advocacy Center
- Pueblo Cooperative Care Center
- Rampart Supply
- Salvation Army Pueblo Corps
- Southside Children's Center
- Sunflower Bank
- United Way of Pueblo County
- YWCA

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**American Red Cross**  
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**Atmos Energy**  
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Bret Jones

**Black Hills Energy (Legacy Gas)**  
Adela Licano

**Blazer Electric Supply**  
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**Colorado State University-Pueblo Foundation**  
Nick Potter

**Comcast**  
Tim Aesbicher

**Convergys**  
Ray Carter

**Cooperative Care Center**  
Edie DeLaTorre

**East Side Child Care Center**  
Maria Subia

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Jag Garrett

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Jeanette Wilson

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Derrick Martinez  
Renee Rodriguez

**Express Scripts**  
Sunshine Martinez

**First Oak Bank**  
John Thompson

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Suzanne Ortega

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Hanna McClintock

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Martina DeLaRosa

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Sam Krage  
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**Legacy Bank**  
Vicki Smith

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Sam Dosen  
Jennifer Gallagher  
Tina Kramer  
Steve Medina  
Jeff Tucker

**PepsiCo**  
Shari Albright

**pewag Traction Chain**  
Ron Frances  
Hillary Komma

**Power Credit Union**  
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Vanessa Trexel

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Judy Fonda

**PSAS - Pueblo School for Arts and Sciences**  
Brian Repola

**Pueblo Bank & Trust**  
Rebecca Todero Goodman

**Pueblo Child Advocacy Center**  
Dena Rodriguez

**Pueblo City Schools**  
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Josette Rusk

**SRDA**  
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Jayne Mazur

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**Sunflower Bank**  
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## United Way Middle School Mentor Program One Hour Per Week = Lifetime of Benefits

United Way's Middle School Mentor Program, in its sixth year of helping struggling students navigate the difficult middle school years, reached its ambitious goal of recruiting over 50 new mentors in the fall of 2016. As a result, United Way had a remarkable group of over 112 caring, compassionate mentors in five middle schools throughout Pueblo County at Heaton, Pueblo Academy of Arts, Liberty Point International, Roncalli STEM Academy and Heroes Academy.

Results are what helps this program change lives. Outcome

data is being kept at all schools, measuring grades, behavior and attendance. In 80% of the students in the program, grades have improved significantly, as well as behavior. Days that mentors meet with their student show improved attendance as well. In addition, there are numerous heartwarming antidotal stories happening each day, that are no doubt making a difference. School engagement among students with mentors has increased significantly as well.

Mentors serve as a positive adult role model that helps with

problem solving, decision making and organization skills, provides a connection between the world of work and school, and perhaps most importantly, listens with their heart. Mentors spend one hour a week with their student during the school year, often around the lunch hour as well as field trips throughout the year for bonding and educational purposes. **Have you ever wanted to help Pueblo's youth and, in turn, our future?** Don't just think about it, do it! There's no better way to change a young person's life than being a mentor. For a list of the incredibly amazing mentors that give their

time and talents to this program, please see page 20. We simply cannot thank these selfless individuals enough for the care, compassion and love they show the kids in this program, United Way of Pueblo County and our community.

More mentors are needed each year. **Just one hour a week during the school year will make an enormous difference. For more information on this impactful program, please contact United Way at 225-8580 or visit our website at [www.pueblounitedway.org/mentor](http://www.pueblounitedway.org/mentor).**

### Some quotes from mentors about the program

"I have thoroughly enjoyed the mentorship program. It has been fun getting to know my mentee and being someone she can count on. There have been ups and downs in her life and our relationship but helping her through tough times, simply being a listening ear, or offering guidance when requested has always brought out the joy of this program. Thank you to the United Way for offering this opportunity to the youth in our community and I look forward to next year!"

- Katera Buckland, Mentor

"Katelynn has been such an amazing young lady to get to know and I feel like each week we get a little closer. It takes time to build the trust we need, but I really feel like being there each week with her has shown her that she can count on me and that I care about her well being and what she's going through. I was really touched one day when she asked if it would be ok if we ate lunch in the cafeteria instead of the media center because she wanted to introduce me to her friends. She told me that she shared with them that we get to talk each week and that she feels like she can talk to me about things that she doesn't usually talk about at home. After sharing that with her friends they told her they wished they could have a mentor too. I truly feel like this program is so important and I know it is so clear to me now how desperately some of these children need someone to lean on and more importantly count on. This is by far one of the most touching things I have ever been involved in.

- Crystal M. Faricy, Mentor

### One mentor shared this note from her student

"I GOT ACCEPTED INTO THE HEALTH ACADEMY!!!! I honestly didn't think I was gonna make it. But I was just writing this to tell you thank you so much for everything. For all the good advice you've given me about school, friends and boys, lol. And for the recommendation letter, too. I really had a lot of fun and I've learned a lot of things these past 3 years from you. Thank you so much. Message me anytime you'd like to I'll always answer." - Chloe, Eileen's Mentee

"This certainly made my day. She was so worried that she wouldn't make it to the health academy. I told her that the Health Academy was going to be tough, she needed to work hard. Distractions were not an option (boys!). I told her she had the brains to do it, but needed to stay focused. She wants to be a nurse. Chloe will make a great nurse. Just when you think they are not listening... She undoubtedly has warmed my heart." - Eileen Cardenas, Mentor

### Mentee Comments



"My mentor is someone who I can trust and someone who has taught me many things in life."

"My mentor has helped me keep my grades up and taught me life skills. My mentor tells me to stay positive, work hard and I can achieve anything."

"My mentor is someone I can look up to and is here for me, and listens to me."

## Middle School Mentor Program



### Lawrence Kochis Retires After 30 Years of Service

In March, United Way of Pueblo County bid a fond farewell to our long-time campaign director, Lawrence Kochis. Throughout his long career, Lawrence served on countless committees, made thousands of presentations and helped at hundreds of special events, among many other things. Most notably, he served as campaign director and AFL-CIO Labor Liaison for most of his time at United Way, raising millions of dollars for people in need. In addition, Lawrence was responsible for developing the United Way Middle School Mentoring Program, which included implementing the pilot program and serving as a mentor many times over. Thanks in part to his efforts in this area, United Way now boasts over 112 mentors at five Pueblo middle schools.

"We will miss Larry greatly," shared United Way President/CEO Andrea Aragon. "Not only will we miss his knowledge and years of experience, but also his sense of

humor and distinctive laugh," she added with a smile. Lawrence was given a great send-off with a celebration at the Pueblo Union Depot filled with food, friends and a little bit of roasting. The City and County of Pueblo declared March 29th as Lawrence Kochis Day, in honor of his many achievements. Despite his retirement, Lawrence has promised to stay involved as a mentor, on volunteer committees, and with other nonprofits in the community.

We extend a heartfelt thank you to Lawrence for his many years of service and wish him a fantastic retirement surrounded by family and friends!



### United Way of Pueblo County Announces Hiring of Director of Fund Development and Campaign

Paula Chostner was recently appointed to the position of Director of Fund Development and Campaign with United Way of Pueblo County following her retirement from Pueblo City Schools as Executive Director for Human Resources.



During her time at Pueblo City Schools Chostner also served as a teacher, assistant principal, and principal. In her role at United Way, Chostner will lead the annual fundraising campaign, year-round fund development activities, and ensure overall donor stewardship. Chostner's previous non-profit experience includes working with the Pueblo Symphony, Parkview Medical Center Foundation Board, Neighbor Works of Pueblo, United Way of Pueblo County Board of Directors, and the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) in New Mexico. Paula and her husband, Jeff, have two children Kirsten and Michelle and six grandchildren.

Welcome Paula! We are thrilled to have you join our dedicated United Way team! We know you will be a huge asset to us and the community!

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- Nick Donovan, iHeart Radio
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Board of Water Works  
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### PUEBLO WATER CARES PROGRAM FORMERLY KNOWN AS BOARD OF WATER WORKS

Out of compassion and concern for the Pueblo community, the Board of Water Works created a program to help those needing assistance with their water bill. In partnership with United Way and Catholic Charities, hundreds of people have received "a hand up" in these difficult economic times. Recipients must be screened for their eligibility and need, and can receive help once in a twelve month period, not to exceed three times in total. The fund was created by appropriations from the Board of Water Works, the City of Pueblo and contributions from caring individuals and businesses.

United Way thanks the Board of Water Works, already one of our most steadfast and generous partners, in stepping up in a big way to help those struggling to make ends meet. Pueblo and United Way are indeed lucky to have the leadership, generosity and compassion that the Board of Water Works provides.

### United Way helps Angel Tree Program

United Way reached out this holiday season by lending a hand to the Salvation Army's Angel Tree



Program. The program provides holiday gifts for children in need. The community rallied, and hundreds of underprivileged children were given toys, clothes and other gifts. As a result, Christmas joy was brought to the lives of children who otherwise would have gone without.

### IBEW/NECA Electrical Repair Program

Meeting community needs is what United Way is all about. Fortunately, we have outstanding businesses and organizations that are always willing to help. A great example of this is the creation of the IBEW Local 12 and the National Electrical Contractor's Association (NECA) Emergency Electrical Repair program. The two organizations came together as a way to help low income individuals fix dangerous, emergency or life-threatening electrical issues. Due to their leadership,

several local electrical companies in Pueblo stepped in to offer their services at a reduced cost. Clients are screened by Catholic Charities and SRDA to ensure eligibility and need. Over 62 households/families have been helped as a result of this program. Both IBEW Local 12 and NECA have given very generous donations of money, time and expertise to keep this program alive. United Way is very proud to be a part of this innovative program to help those in need.

**"Serving on the United Way board has been such a special honor. It is an amazing group of leaders and individuals. They are truly Pueblo proud people - all with the best intentions in mind to help our community. It's important to know that everyone can help -whether it be giving time, giving your talents or giving financially. When we come together, Pueblo wins! #LoveUnited #LovePueblo" – Matt Smith**

The 12th Annual Flavor of Pueblo Food & Wine Show proved to be one of the best yet with a great showing of some of the Pueblo community's most sought after flavors! The Flavor of Pueblo Food & Wine Show stands as one of the premier wine and food events spotlighting our delicious local eateries, drinks, and more! Plus an incredible Wine Corner hosted by 80/ Twenty Wines and the smooth

sounds of The Martini Shot Unplugged with Andy & Ryan. For a low entry fee of either \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door, more than 600 patrons enjoyed a variety of appetizers, entrees, desserts, and drinks- wines, beer, spirits, at over 35 booths! The event was made possible through a partnership with the Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce, Colorado Eagle- your local Budweiser distributor,

and the Pueblo Convention Center. Major sponsors: Black Hills Energy, Express Scripts, Kaiser Permanente, PCAPP Partners: Bechtel, AECOM, Battelle, GP, UTC Aerospace Systems, and Xcel Energy; with supporting sponsors: Colorado PERA, Express Employment Professionals, Loaf 'N Jug, and Security Service Federal Credit Union. Our wonderful media sponsors: Comcast Spotlight,

Hippo Productions, Pueblo's Greatest Hits KPHT 95.5 and The Pueblo Chieftain.

United Way of Pueblo County would like to thank the attendees and many volunteers, sponsors, partners, and Andy & Ryan who helped make this event a success. Please be sure to patronize all of these wonderful businesses and thank them for attending the Flavor of Pueblo - see you next year!

## WINNERS

### People's Choice Award

1<sup>st</sup> place EVER Tie!!!  
Mr. Tandoori Urban Bar & Grill and Musso's Restaurant

### Best Appetizer

1<sup>st</sup> place: Park East Restaurant  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Mr. Tandoori Urban Bar & Grill

### Best Entree

1<sup>st</sup> place: Tacos Navarro  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Musso's Restaurant

### Best Dessert

1<sup>st</sup> place: Milberger Farms  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Bite Me Cake Company

### Best Non-Alcoholic Beverage

1<sup>st</sup> place: Pepsi  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Crema Cafe

### Best Beer/Spirit

1<sup>st</sup> place: PDub Brewing Company  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Big Bear Wine & Liquor

### Best Red Wine

1<sup>st</sup> place: Durigutti  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Broadside

### Best White Wine

1<sup>st</sup> place: Novello

### Best Sweet Wine

1<sup>st</sup> place: Salida Mo Sweet  
2<sup>nd</sup> place: Wild Cañon

## PARTICIPATING VENDORS

- 80/Twenty Wines Corner - featuring multiple distributors and samples
- Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar
- Big Bear Wine & Liquor
- Bite Me Cake Company
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Chick-fil-A Pueblo
- Cinfully Delicious Catering
- Colorado Eagle -

- your local Budweiser distributor
- Crema Café
- CUTCO Cutlery
- Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce
- Janessa's Gourmet Potica Co LLC
- John Finger's Healthy Chocolate
- Latino Chamber of Commerce

- Mexi-Deli
- Milberger Farms
- Mr. Tandoori Urban Bar and Grill
- Musso's Restaurant
- Noodles & Company
- Park East Restaurant
- Pass Key Northern
- Passanante's Home Food Services
- PDub Brewing Company
- Pepsi

- Pizza Ranch
- Pueblo Community College Conference & Event Services
- Pueblo Convention Center
- Sancho's Bar & Grill
- Springside Cheese
- Swire Coca-Cola
- Tacos Navarro
- Wine Down By The River



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## Golden Corral Breakfast

Friday, April 7, 2017



What's better than a plate full of Golden Corral's delicious crispy bacon? A whole all-you-can-eat breakfast for just \$5 - all to benefit the Pueblo community!

Attendees experienced all of this first-hand at the annual United Way/ CSU-Pueblo Athletics/Golden Corral Restaurant Breakfast. \$5 goes an extremely long way by helping to support the over 50 critical health and human service programs United Way funds each year. CSU-Pueblo coaches, athletes, and athletic department staff, along with Golden Corral employees and United Way staff and volunteers were up before the roosters, preparing a great array of foods- serving, waiting and bussing tables with a smile. **The benefit breakfast was enjoyed by a record-setting crowd of over 800 United Way donors and community members!**

KPHT 95.5's Nick Donovan joined in the feast with great music and live interviews with staff, athletes and patrons throughout the event.

United Way of Pueblo County would like to extend our deepest appreciation to Golden Corral-Manager Madelyn and her hard-working staff, the CSUPueblo Athletic Department- athletes and coaches, and KPHT 95.5 for their support of this event and their dedication to serve our Pueblo community!



## United Way of Pueblo County Staff

- Andrea Aragon..... President & CEO
- Lawrence Kochis..... Campaign Director, AFL-CIO CSA
- Bernadette Albo..... Finance Director
- Bianca Hicks..... Resource Development Coordinator

- Donna Leach..... Administrative Assistant
- Valarie Ruybal-Montoya..... Middle School Mentoring Coordinator
- Judith Boudreaux..... VITA Program Coordinator



## 10th Annual Liberty Point 5k Run/Walk



Tuesday, July 4, 2017

The 10th Annual Liberty Point 5K was host to over 525 runners and walkers who participated in timed run and walk event started by Snap Fitness 24/7 to raise funds for United Way of Pueblo County funded programs. The event also kicks off and celebrates the patriotic spirit of the 4th in coordination with the Pueblo West 4th of July festivities and is made possible in partnership with the Pueblo West Metropolitan District and Pueblo West Chamber of Commerce.

The stunning views from the Liberty Point lookout point serve as an incredible halfway point for the race which begins and ends just south of the intersection of Joe Martinez & Purcell Blvds. The walk was held as a 5K Fun Walk with timing for personal use with no awards in an effort to encourage the healthy, family activity while keeping it fun for all.

Zach Retslaff, 20, and Alec Choury, 20, placed 1st as the overall male finishers with a time of 17:06:30 and Shayana Holcomb, 14, took 1st place overall in the female finisher with a time of 20:33:27. A complete listing of results can be accessed by visiting [www.pueblounitedway.org/libertypoint5k](http://www.pueblounitedway.org/libertypoint5k). Photos are available at [www.facebook.com/libertypoint5k](http://www.facebook.com/libertypoint5k).

A Most Patriotic Photo Contest was also held

encouraging attendees to upload their patriotic photos at the race onto the Liberty Point 5K Facebook page. Three winners were selected- Shari Krasovic, Maria Gomez and Rhiannon Cotner & Tara Yoder!

The Liberty Point 5K has been made possible by the generous support of our sponsors- major sponsors: Parkview – Pueblo West Emergency Services, Black Hills Energy, UTC Aerospace Systems; supporting sponsors: Bank of the San Juans, Big R, Ent Credit Union, Housing Authority of the City of Pueblo, Minnequa Works Credit Union, PCAPP Partners- Bechtel, AECOM, Battelle, & GP, Pueblo Community Health Center, The Pueblo Chieftain, and media sponsor- KPHT 95.5 and numerous mile marker sponsors. United Way of Pueblo County would like to thank the many volunteers who came out bright and early on the holiday morning to help the event be a HUGE success! A very special thank you to our race partners- race director Stan Hren, Matt Smith- Snap Fitness 24/7, Pueblo West Fire Chief Brian Caserta, and RaceRite. In addition, the following businesses provided in-kind donations: Angelo's Pizza Parlor, Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce, Pueblo West Chamber of Commerce, and Snap Fitness 24/7. Visit our event Facebook page [www.facebook.com/libertypoint5k](http://www.facebook.com/libertypoint5k) to see photos from the event!

### Overall Winners

#### RUN

- Men's ..... Zach Retslaff and Alec Choury  
Time: 17:06:30
- Women's ..... Shayana Holcomb  
Time: 20:33:27



## Funding Fiscal year July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

Community Campaign (Member Agencies) (see breakout on page 17)	\$416,000
Mental Health Grant	\$53,000
• Friendly Harbor Drop In Center	\$10,000
• Mental Health Colorado, Pueblo Pro-Bono Counseling & Referral Program	\$27,000
• Health Solutions for Suicide Prevention	\$16,000
Colorado Combined Campaign (state employees)	\$19,240
Combined Federal Campaign	\$470
Emergency Food & Shelter Program (federal grant)	\$66,656
El Pomar Community Problem Solving Fund (to aid indigent & homeless)	\$10,000
Wittels Investment (designated by donor)	\$881
Designated to Non Member Agencies	\$47,146
<i>Over 65 nonprofit agencies benefited from the donor designation process</i>	
Community Impact Grant	\$32,000
• Mountain Park Environment Center	\$22,000
• Care & Share Food Bank	\$10,000
Cares Program - Board of Water Works	\$110,000
IBEW/NECA Electrical Repair Assistance Program	\$830
Emergency & Special Funding	\$3,500
• Toys for Children, Angel Tree Program	\$1,500
• Utility Assistance	\$500
• Community Christmas Meal	\$1,000
• Pueblo Poverty Foundation	\$500
United Way Middle School Mentoring Program	\$44,000
PAID DIRECT (Funds raised via UW Campaign, paid directly to organization)	\$36,179
VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program)	\$30,000
Beulah Fire Assistance	\$4,153
<b>Total Distributed into Community</b>	<b>\$874,055</b>

**United Way Administrative and Fundraising Costs: 10%**

## Program Descriptions

### *El Pomar Community Problem Solving Fund*

This endowment fund was established by the El Pomar Foundation to address critical and emergency needs for the homeless and indigent in Pueblo County.

### *Abe & Rose Wittels Endowment Fund*

Established by Puebloans Abe & Rose Wittels, these funds support health and human service programs in Pueblo County.

### *Emergency Food & Shelter Program*

United Way of Pueblo County administers federal funding set aside to assist organizations addressing homeless shelters, food and homelessness assistance.

### *Colorado Combined Campaign*

State employees participate in the annual campaign through the Colorado Combined Campaign. Donors designate their gifts to United Way or its partner agencies.

### *Combined Federal Campaign*

The mission of the Combined Federal Campaign is to support and promote philanthropy through a program that is employee focused, cost-efficient and effective in providing all federal employees the opportunity to give.

### *Community Impact Grant*

Special grant funds made available by United Way of Pueblo County Board of Trustees to any nonprofit in Pueblo County meeting a critical community need not currently funded by United Way.

### *The Living Legacy Circle*

The time you spend planning charitable giving is an important process that will bring special rewards. By carefully considering what, when and how to give, you may be able to give much more than you thought possible. A planned charitable gift can help you accomplish personal planning objectives in ways that may benefit you, your loved ones, and your favorite charities. So join the Living Legacy Circle – and give the gift that will last a life time.

## Partner Agency Funding

(Partner agencies are those organizations that are eligible to receive funding year to year from undesignated funds.)

Agency	Program(s)	AWARD
American Red Cross	Disaster services; Volunteer Services; Service to Armed Forces	\$15,800
Boy Scouts, Rocky Mountain Council	Learning for Life; Scoutreach	\$39,500
Boys and Girls Club	Sprague Center; East Side; Avondale	\$60,000
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pueblo	Home Stability	\$29,000
Cooperative Care Center	Food Sack; Medical Prescriptions; Local Transportation; Personal Hygiene	\$34,000
East Side Child Care Center	Quality Day Care on a Sliding Fee Scale	\$47,600
Pueblo Child Advocacy Center	Child Abuse Prevention- Examinations, Investigations, Support	\$26,000
Pueblo Community Health Center	EKG machine with spirometer	\$3,461
Salvation Army	Daily Meal Program; Food Pantry; Pathway to Hope	\$32,639
Southside Children's Center	Quality Day Care on a Sliding Fee Scale	\$36,000
S.R.D.A	HELP Program; Personal Care, Homemaker, Home Repair	\$41,000
Y.W.C.A	Family Crisis Shelter; Teresa's Place; Domestic Violence Co-location; Safe Dating; Counseling	\$51,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$416,000</b>

## In Kind Donors

- Albertsons
- Angelo's Pizza Parlor on the Riverwalk
- Bank of the San Juans
- Black Hills Energy
- iHeart Media Pueblo
  - Fox Sports AM 1350
  - KCSJ News Talk 590
  - KPHT 95.5
- Colorado Eagle, your local Budweiser distributor
- Comcast Spotlight
- Cooperative Care Center
- CSU-Pueblo Alumni Association
- CSU-Pueblo Athletics Department
- Eagleridge Mini Storage
- Express Employment Professionals
- Golden Corral Restaurant
- Grand Banquet and Party Rental
- Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce
- Hippo Productions - Tom Urdiales
- Hollydot Golf Course
- Latino Chamber of Commerce
- Judy Leonard
- Little Caesars Pizza
- Loaf 'N Jug
- Looking Glass Photography
- Lucero's Trophy Emporium
- My Friend, the Printer
- Betty Nufer
- Cathy Ortega
- Fernando Padilla - Padilla of San Felipe
- Park East Restaurant
- PepsiCo
- pewag Traction Chain
- Pueblo's Best Carpet Cleaning
- Pueblo City-County Library District
- Pueblo Convention Center
- Pueblo County Sheriff's Department
- Pueblo West Amateur Radio Group
- Pueblo West Chamber of Commerce
- Pueblo West Metropolitan District
- Pueblo West Parks and Recreation
- Pure Spa & Wellness
- Rocky Mountain Eye Center
- Sangre de Cristo Arts & Conference Center
- Darrin Smith
- Snap Fitness 24/7
- Southern Colorado Small Business Development Center
- The Pueblo Chieftain
- The Martini Shot Unplugged with Andy & Ryan
- TR Toppers Inc.
- Kelly Tucker
- United Way Board of Trustees & Campaign Cabinet
  - Saul Alvidrez, GCC Rio Grande
  - Dan Centa, Pueblo West Metropolitan District
  - John Cordova
  - Ron Francis, pewag Traction Chain
  - Dominic Gallina, Bank of the San Juans
  - John Keilbach, Altman, Keilbach, Lytle, Parlapiano & Ware
  - Derrick Martinez, Express Employment Professionals
  - Kevin McCarthy, US Bank
  - Teri Nitchen, SECOM
  - Ted Ortiz, Housing Authority of the City of Pueblo
  - Michelle Peulen, Colorado Department of Transportation
  - Jack & Paula Quinn
  - Renee Richardson, US Bank
  - Ruben Roman, Xcel Energy
  - Michael Salardino, Security Service Investments
  - Ray Swerdfeger, K.R. Swerdfeger Construction Inc.
  - Karen Trujillo, RE/MAX Pueblo West
- US Bank
- UTC Aerospace Systems
- Diane Warren
- Xcel Energy

## Many Companies Contribute to our Success

### ■ **KKTV 11/WALMART BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE – JULY 23 – AUGUST 7, 2016**

KKTV 11 Cares launched its annual Back to School Supply Drive in partnership with Walmart, United Way of Pueblo County, Pikes Peak United Way, iHeart Media, Sunny 106.3, and Peak Kia of Chapel Hills on July 23 and collected items for students in need through August 7.

Large donation boxes were setup at all local Walmart stores. Posada and City Church handled all pickups and distributions to Pueblo City Schools and Pueblo District 70. In addition, inspired by the great need, Sunflower Bank also accepted supply donations at each of their Pueblo bank locations.

Counselors at each school handled the distribution of supplies to students in the most need. Families in need are asked to contact the counselor at their child's school directly for additional information on receiving supplies.

Thank you to KKTV 11, Walmart, and those who donated for helping students start the year on track!

### ■ **PARK EAST RESTAURANT – OCTOBER 2016**

New Park East owners Heath & Carie Cicerelli joined in the long-standing tradition of the United Way Month at Park East! The celebrity waiters brought the house down with their friendly competition to raise the most for United Way!

Local celebrity waiters were at the restaurant from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, October 22 and Friday, October 28. Waiters on October 22 included Matt Smith, Snap Fitness 24/7; Aaron Aragon, Pueblo's Best Carpet Cleaning; Vern Larson, Major Mortgage; and Kenny White III, Southwest Motors. Waiters on October 28 were Ray and Avri Swerdfeger, K.R. Swerdfeger Construction; Ryan and

Quinn Zabukovic, Zabukovic Motors; Kevin Keilbach, HUB International Insurance Services; and Ron Guarienti, Pueblo Electrics.

Each waiter has an incredible passion for the Pueblo community and United Way. That healthy competition and passion helped these advocates a grand total of over \$17,000 for United Way!

### ■ **LATINO CHAMBER HOLIDAY HAPPY HOUR & 5TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF TREES DECORATING COMPETITION AND AUCTION – DECEMBER 8**

The Latino Chamber of Commerce and United Way of Pueblo County have a festive partnership each year with the annual Holiday Happy Hour and Festival of Trees. Held in the beautifully decorated Pueblo Union Depot on December 8, the event brings out the holiday cheer in all who attend! The Happy Hour includes the Festival of Trees Decorating Competition and Auction. More than 30 decorated mini 4ft trees, wreaths, and baskets were auctioned with a portion of the proceeds benefitting United Way funded programs. United Way would like to thank the Latino Chamber of Commerce- Steven and his staff and all of this year's participants – thank you for spreading the joy of the season!

### ■ **SNAP FITNESS 24/7 PUEBLO WEST – JANUARY 2017**

Matt Smith, Josh Pacheco, and the Snap Fitness 24/7 team are incredibly supportive of all things United Way of Pueblo County and continue to be champions for the community of Pueblo. Snap held United Way Month at Snap Fitness in January 2017 and also donated a percentage of all new memberships during the month of January to benefit United Way. Go team Snap – thank you for your continued support!

### ■ **ANGELO'S PIZZA PARLOR ON THE RIVERWALK – MARCH 2017**

For the sixth year in a row, Angelo's Pizza

Parlor held United Way Month during the month of March. The Pueblo staple offered diners the opportunity to give directly on their bill and also donated more than 20% on top of every dollar given in support of United Way! Thank you, Debby, Jada & Staff!

### ■ **LITTLE CAESARS PIZZA – APRIL 2017**

Little Caesars Pizza generously held United Way Month in April to help the 2016 UW Campaign finish strong! The special Appreciation Weekend was held April 21 through April 23. Dave donated \$1.00 from each \$5.00 Hot-N-Ready Pepperoni Pizza and offered the pizzas for just \$4.99 each! In support of those diner driven contributions and all new and increased gifts through the 2016 Campaign, Little Caesars Pizza took the lead by matching any gifts dollar for dollar up to \$2,000! We are always inspired by the generosity and dedication shown by kindhearted donors, Dave Feamster & his staff!

### ■ **COLORADO COACHES FOR CHARITY – MAY 12, 2017**

United Way of Pueblo County was honored to be chosen by CSU-Pueblo Head Football Coach John Wristen as his Charity of Choice for the Colorado Coaches for Charity event for the fourth year in a row! The 2017 Colorado Coaches for Charity was held Friday, May 12 at Sports Authority Field. We are so proud and grateful for all Coach Wristen does for our middle school mentoring program, our organization, and our community!

As Coach Wristen's Charity of Choice, United Way of Pueblo County received a grant from the Fisher DeBerry Foundation and 20 percent of sponsorship and ticket proceeds from the Pueblo area. Congratulations to Mark DeRose, who was also honored as Coach Wristen's Community MVP. Thank you, Coach Wristen for your support and for choosing United Way of Pueblo County as your 2017 Charity of Choice!

***"I have enjoyed serving on the board of directors of the Pueblo County United Way and working with board members and staff who have passion, experience and integrity. This organization is made up of experienced business and community leaders as well as many committed and knowledgeable volunteers that have compassion and the desire to enhance the quality of life for the people of Pueblo county."*** – Bonnie Dickerson

# Volunteer Committees

*"Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in."*

- Unknown -



## ■ ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE:

Argerie Hoty; Ashleigh Federman, Wells Fargo Bank; Beth Bryant; Brandon Henderson, Henderson Insurance; Jeff Tucker, Parkview Medical Center; Royce Cappis, New York Life; Shawn Sutton, Sunflower Bank; Stacie Shirley, Buxman Kwitek P.C.; Tim Turner, Toni Montoya, TR Toppers; Maria Ribarich, TR Toppers

The Allocations committee is charged with oversight and monitoring funds distributed by the United Way to funded programs. The committee meets monthly and more often as needed in May to review each agency's funding request. Their funding recommendations are then given to the United Way board for approval. Meets 2nd Tuesday of every month or as needed.

## ■ CAMPAIGN CABINET

Chair – Kevin McCarthy, US Bank; Andrew Lang, TR Toppers; Ashley Valdez, Xcel Energy; Barbara Vidmar, Christopher Burke, Black Hills Energy; Dan Centa, Retired Judge Dennis Maes; Dave Feamster, Little Caesars Pizza; Derrick Martinez, Express Employment Professionals; Jeff Chostner, District Attorney; John Cordova; Kim Fowler, The Pueblo Chieftain; Jack Quinn; Michael Salardino, Security Service Investments; Matt Smith, Snap Fitness; Ray Swerdfeger,

KR Swerdfeger Construction; Ron Francis, pewag Traction Chain; Sandy Gutierrez, SyCare; Teri Nitchen, SECOM

This committee has one of the most difficult challenges charged to any committee – to develop, implement, and conduct the annual campaign. This requires developing new strategies, marketing ideas, and long range planning. Meets as needed.

## ■ EL POMAR COMMUNITY PROBLEM SOLVING COMMITTEE:

Renee Richardson, US Bank; Jay Dammann; Skip Lauray

Responsible for distributing and monitoring annual earnings from the El Pomar Endowment Fund. This committee works to ensure that these funds are carefully invested in programs that meet needs that would not be funded otherwise. Meets 3 times a year.

## ■ FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chair/Treasurer- Bonnie Dickerson; Bob Provost; Chris Snyder, AECOM; Elizabeth Rogge, Pueblo Bank & Trust; Jennifer Andrew, Security Service Federal Credit Union; Jim Duff

The finance committee is charged with fiscal responsibilities for the organization, the

committee meets monthly to ensure that all the financial records of the organization are in order. Meets 3rd Tuesday of every month.

## ■ LABOR COMMITTEE

Chair – Fred LaSavio, Don Difatta, Michael Guagliardo, Harvey Rodgers, Dave Kins, and Frank Romero.

This committee provides training for Labor to serve on the Board of Trustees, committees, and as campaign coordinators.

## ■ NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Doug Hayes, UTC Aerospace Systems; Bonnie Dickerson; Matt Smith, Snap Fitness 24/7; Michelle Peulen, Colorado Department of Transportation; Rick Holmes, Bechtel; Ted Ortiz, Pueblo Housing Authority

This committee is charged with identifying candidates from among the Membership – at – Large to serve on the Board of Trustees and volunteer committees.

## ■ COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANT COMMITTEE

Rick Holmes, Bechtel; Beth Bryant; Dominic Gallina, Bank of the San Juans

This committee selects deserving programs to be funded by the United Way Community Impact Grant.

## United Way Serves as Fiscal Sponsor of Pueblo EPIC

United Way of Pueblo County is pleased to serve as the fiscal sponsor of Pueblo EPIC (Executives Partnering to Invest in Children). EPIC is a state-wide coalition of business leaders, nonprofits and foundations who are committed to making early childhood care, education, health, and parenting among the highest priorities of Colorado's public and private investments. Focusing on children between the ages of zero to eight, EPIC targets the youngest population in order to see the greatest impact. Some of Pueblo EPIC's largest annual efforts include:

- ★ EPIC Book Drives (distribution of over 400,000 children's books into Pueblo) and the establishment of EPIC Reading Centers at hospitals, Pueblo Community Health Center, Pueblo City/County Health Department, nonprofits, DSS and other community agencies with heavy public traffic.
- ★ Pueblo Parents Brochure – several quick guides for parents

listing the top things their child needs to know before entering kindergarten, the top 10 places every child should visit in Pueblo, and more

- ★ The launch of the 15 Minute Campaign, which aims at getting every Pueblo parent to read to their child for at least 15 minutes a day, beginning at birth. It's easy to participate in, and it's free. Visit <http://readaloud.org/> for more information.

Want to learn more? Contact Burnie Zercher at 545-0296 or Andrea Aragon at 225-8580.



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# United Way Middle School Mentors

- Aaron Elson, Parkview Medical Center
- Adria Sharon, Pine Drive Telephone Company (Beulah)
- Amanda Taulman, The Pueblo Chieftain
- Andrew Lang, TR Toppers, Inc.
- Angelica Chavez, HUB International Insurance Services, Inc.
- Annette Sabo Charron, English Rx
- Anthony Sanches, Owner, 4th St. Barber and Styling Center
- Antoinette Garcia, Pueblo Department of Social Services
- Ashleigh Federman, Wells Fargo Bank
- Bob Schilling, Jones Healy Real Estate
- Bradley Scott Lee, Trane-Ingersoll Rand
- Cecil Townsend, County of Pueblo
- Chad Clemente Weber, Renewed Wholesale
- Cheryl Babcock, AT&T
- Christie Velasco, Parkview Medical Center
- Connie Espinoza, Retired, Pueblo Youth Services Center
- Crystal Faricy, Wells Fargo Bank
- Dale Montoya, Trane
- Dalton Sprouse, Pueblo City Schools
- Dan Larson, YoungLife Pueblo
- Dan Centa, Retired, Pueblo West Metropolitan District
- Dan Muniz, Keller Williams Performance
- Darrell Contreras, Board of Water Works of Pueblo
- Darrin Tangeman, Pueblo West Metropolitan District
- David Garcia
- Dax Charles, CSU-Pueblo
- Dean Grinstead, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
- Dennis Diaz
- Dimas Vigil, UTC Aerospace Systems
- Henry C. Roman, South Central BOCES
- Dr. Jeffrey L. Newcom, Business Development and Strategy
- Dwayne Wilson
- Ed Brown, Pueblo City Council
- Edgie Walrath
- Eileen Cardenas, CSU Pueblo
- Emily White, The Pueblo Chieftain
- Zeke Arriaga III, Subaru of Pueblo
- Eva Rodrigues, United Health Care
- Gabrielle Vasquez, UTC Aerospace Systems
- Greg Nolan, Retired School Teacher
- Hector Arambulo
- Jacqualine Maurello
- James W. Grimes, City of Pueblo Fire Department
- Janina Goodwin, Pueblo City-County Library District
- Jay-Michael Baker, Pueblo West Metropolitan District
- Jeanette Wilson, Evraz Rocky Mountain Steel
- Jessica Smith, TeamSelect Home Care
- Jim Martin, Cornerstone Roofing and Gutters
- Joe O'Brien, PEDCO
- Louie Durchholz, Trane
- Jon Pompia
- Joseph Eunice
- Judy Leonard, Pueblo West Metropolitan District
- Julie Schafer, HUB International Insurance Services
- Justin Becker, Target Corporation
- Karin Kyte, Mortgage of Denver
- Katera Buckland, Spectra/Pueblo Convention Center
- Keith Jackson, Life Care Center of Pueblo
- Kevin Coates Jr., Target Corporation
- Kimberly Willard, US Bank
- Kryste Brown, Pure Spa and Wellness
- Laura Kelly, Pueblo Community Health Center
- Laura Savage, Pueblo West Metropolitan District
- Laurie Gomez, High Desert Insurance Agencies
- Lawrence L. Kochis, Retired, United Way of Pueblo County
- Lora Ure, Parkview Medical Center
- Marie Benfatti, Benfatti Furniture
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- Matt Rollins, Morton Building/Trails End Realty
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Pueblo Volunteer Income Tax Assistance



A program of United Way of Pueblo County

As part of our commitment to addressing key community issues, United Way is developing strategies to positively impact the financial stability of our citizens. The goal is to help move people towards greater economic self-sufficiency and away from safety net services that are used during crisis situations.

One very important initiative working toward this goal is the Pueblo Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA). VITA is an IRS program that provides free tax preparation and filing for low income taxpayers, who meet the annual income cap of \$55,000 or below per household. In addition to providing free tax preparation, VITA works to ensure everyone in the community receives all of the tax credits and deductions for which they are eligible.

Thanks to the help of highly trained volunteers,

the Pueblo VITA Coalition processed 1,250 income tax forms at various geographic sites located conveniently throughout the community during the 2017 tax season. This one program leverages an impressive **\$1,808,847** back into our community via monetary returns to the city and county through tax refunds, tax credits and savings of payments for private preparation fees! That's an excellent return on investment! A break-out of these figures for tax credits includes

- \$633,200 in Earned Income Tax Credits
- \$204,944 in Child Care & Education Tax Credits
- \$125,000 in Estimated Tax Prep Savings

Often times, these valuable tax credits can literally lift people out of poverty, helping them to become more self sufficient. **For more information on this program, or becoming**

## Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

**Program Leverages \$1.8 million Back into our Community**

**a volunteer, please call United Way at 225-8580 or Judith Boudreaux, program coordinator at 296-8768 or visit [www.pueblounitedway.org/vita](http://www.pueblounitedway.org/vita)**

\*VITA is sponsored in part by the generosity of the City of Pueblo and the County of Pueblo through CSAC (Community Services Advisory Commission).

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## Beulah Hill Fire Fund Report

United Way of Pueblo County was asked to serve as the fund manager for the Beulah Hill Fire providing oversight and administrative support. The fire began October 3, 2016, followed shortly after on October 17 by the nearby Junkins Fire. A Beulah Hill Fire Unmet Needs Committee was formed with the assistance of the State of Colorado. The committee consisted of members from the following agencies: United Way of Pueblo County, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pueblo, American Red Cross Southeastern Colorado, Seventh-day Adventist Disaster Response, Salvation Army Pueblo Corps, Southern Colorado Baptists Disaster Relief, and Beulah area residents.

Case management was handled by Catholic Charities. Nearly \$18,000 was put to work to help aid in the recovery of Beulah residents greatly affected by the Beulah Hill Fire and to then assist with flood mitigation and management through the Beulah Fire Protection and Ambulance District.

Our thoughts continue to be with the residents affected by this disaster on their road to recovery. Thank you to the following donors for their support: El Pomar Foundation, Colorado REALTOR Foundation, St. Charles Community Members, Pueblo Community Health Center Staff, AT&T Staff, Avondale United Methodist Church, and numerous generous individual community donors.

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## Community Impact Grants:

### Addressing Needs that Matter to Our Community!

At United Way, our volunteers look at the needs of our community. As needs change, we want to be responsive and invest your donor dollars as effectively as possible – because results matter! In response to ever-changing needs, United Way Board of Trustees have developed community impact grants, which are designed to address needs not currently funded by United Way. This year, we were able to invest new dollars into the following outstanding organizations:

- **Mountain Park Environment Center – Forest School for Little Rangers**

This grant helped launch a new, innovative, outdoor based program for approximately 400 Pueblo preschool children and their parents at Pueblo Mountain Park that illustrates the benefits of being in nature and includes a beneficial parental education component.

- **Care & Share Food Bank – School Pantries**

This grant was awarded to launch four school pantries in Pueblo City Schools which will help hundreds of children and families at risk of hunger every day. School pantries will be opened at Risley Academy of Innovation; Central High School, East High School and Heroes Academy. Over 185 students and families will be served each month. This equates to 360 pounds of food each month, or 25,000 meals!



**Thank YOU for helping us make this happen. Give. Help. Make your impact....because our community matters!**

## OTHER UNITED WAY FUNDING

*Other organizations receiving grants or funding via United Way of Pueblo County are*

- Adams State University Foundation
- Advocates Against Domestic Assault
- Agape Fellowship Church
- Arkansas Valley Resource Center
- Care and Share Food Bank
- CASA of Pueblo
- Center for Disabilities
- Center for Restorative Programs
- Colorado Farm to Table
- Crossroads Turning Points
- Ecumenical Church of Pueblo West
- EPIC Pueblo-Executives Partnering to Invest in Children
- Hospice de Valle
- Inspiration Field
- La Puente Homes
- Metro Volunteers' Pueblo Pro Bono Mental Health Program
- Noah's Ark Animal Welfare Association
- Posada
- Pueblo City Schools
- Pueblo Poverty Foundation
- Pueblo Rescue Mission
- Pueblo School District 70
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