JANUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER

HAPPY New Year 2023

WE ARE HIRING

JOIN OUR TEAM

Open Positions:
- Community Outreach Advocate

HELLO 2023

Adult Self-Advocate Group

The Arc of Weld County has transformed the Adult Self Advocate Group formerly known as Check in with Friends. We cannot wait to share all the fun we have planned for 2023! All adult self-advocates are invited to join us virtually to kick off the new year and new look of our self-advocate group!

When: Tuesday, January 31st, 2023, from 6pm-7pm
Where: Zoom Meeting - please contact Leticia Anguelo at leticia@arcweldcounty.org or 970-353-5299 ext. 105 to RSVP and receive the meeting link

ALL participants will receive a prize!
December Volunteer Spotlight
Mary Viola

Mary was born and raised in the Denver Metro area. Living mostly in Golden, she moved to Greeley 2 years ago. She has three amazing siblings, 1 older sister and a younger brother and sister. Now in her junior year, Mary attends both Northridge High School and Aims Community College. She is in the Welding Program at Aims! Mary is working hard on graduating early and working in order to live out her big dream of getting a van to live out of and travel all of the U.S. She has already been to Iceland! She is extremely creative and enjoys new creative outlets. She also loves the outdoors and camping.

Mary first volunteered for the Family in Action weekend and now helps with various community events. She enjoys working with people that have intellectual and developmental disabilities because of this she views different outlooks of the world. She also enjoys helping with the challenges in life.

You are invited!
SOAR

What is SOAR? SOAR is a class that provides individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities the opportunity to learn about healthy relationships and prevent sexual violence through engaging activities, discussions, and presentations.

Class Topics May Include:
- Boundaries & communication
- Touching rules & safety steps
- Consent
- Public vs. private
- Safe, unsafe, & unwanted touching
- Online safety & much more

Join us for an Open House on February 16th from 3:30-5pm at The Arc of Weld County office to learn more about SOAR classes facilitated by SAVA, that will be offered Spring 2023. If you cannot make it in person, a virtual Open House will be held February 21st from 6-6:30pm. RSVP or get the link by contacting Leticia Arguello at leticia@arcweldcounty.org or 970-353-5219 ext. 105.

Co-hosted by:
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12th Annual Achieve with Us Film Festival

In celebration of March as National Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

Two ways to participate:

Join us at the festival!
March 26th, 2023
Greeley Central High School Auditorium: 1301 4th Ave, Greeley
In person showings at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Parking & entrance info: park in either of the West parking lots and enter through West auditorium door between the parking lots.
Virtual showings at 6 p.m. (must RSVP to receive Zoom link)

Create & submit a film!
Top Film Submissions Win $500 Prize!
We are seeking local film submissions to be featured at our in-person and virtual film festival to be hosted on March 26th, 2023.

Film Submission Guidelines:
- Themes can be serious, touching, comedic, inclusive and/or creative!
- Film submissions must have a disability theme to be eligible for the prize.
- We strongly encourage people with disabilities to be a part of the film creation process.
- Films should be approximately 5-8 minutes in length.
- Films must be submitted by March 3, 2023, at the end of the day.

To RSVP (preferred but not required), submit films, or inquire further please contact Leticia Arguello at 970-353-5219 ext. 105 or leticia@arcweldcounty.org

Hosted by:
Help Support The Arc of Weld County this tax season with ReFUND Colorado

What is ReFUND Colorado?
It’s a tax refund based donation program where Coloradans may donate a portion or all of their state income tax refund to Colorado nonprofits, including The Arc of Weld County.

What does ReFUND Colorado do for our agency and community?
Donations help us provide free advocacy services to people with I/DD and their families as well as to create new programs and events to promote inclusion.

How Do You Donate through ReFUND Colorado?
Look for the “Donate to a Colorado Nonprofit” line on your Colorado tax return and enter The Arc of Weld County and registration number 200330008065. You can donate any portion of your tax return, just not more.

What Do You Get?
Donors receive the satisfaction of being part of something more. They become part of a worthy organization ministered to change the world for people with I/DD.

If you have questions about ReFUND Colorado you may contact Amalia Koehnstedt, Executive Director, at amalia@arcweldcounty.org or 970-352-1210 ext. 104 or contact your trusted tax advisor.

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We also serve the following Northeastern County Locations: (Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Yuma, Washington & Sedgwick counties)
please call (970) 352-5210 ext 100 to set an appointment.