

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP INSIDER

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Partnerships in Action



Go Orange for Hunger!

September is Hunger Action Month. It's your opportunity to take action to end hunger in our community. On September 5th, the Food Bank for Larimer County, in partnership with Feeding America's nationwide network of food banks, will kick off a month-long effort to turn the nation orange in support of hunger-relief. The Food Bank is encouraging everyone in Larimer County to play a role and show your support by wearing orange and getting involved. To find out how you can take action to end hunger, visit www.foodbanklarimer.org.

Take the SNAP Challenge September 9-13

Can you eat on just \$4.50 a day? In honor of Hunger Action Month, the Food Bank for Larimer County is encouraging everyone in our community to take the SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) Challenge. By accepting the challenge, you'll commit to eating all of your meals from a limited food budget (\$4.50/day) comparable to that of a SNAP participant. The goal is to gain some understanding of the struggles vulnerable families in our communities face each day. While it is impossible to fully comprehend the difficult decisions low-income families face, taking the SNAP Challenge this September will help raise awareness about the issue of hunger in Larimer County. To sign up to participate, email Lauren Ross Dewey lross@foodbanklarimer.org.

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INSIDE The Community Partnership Office

The **2013 Loveland Homeless Connect** event will take place on October 25th from 8am-Noon at Truscott Elementary School. This event is designed to be a one stop shop for the homeless or near homeless in Loveland.

The agency informational meeting is on September 10th, at 3:00 pm in the Gertrude Scott Room at the Loveland Public Library. This meeting will provide: details for the event, marketing materials, and agency and volunteer t-shirts. Volunteer sign up and training dates are online at www.honservice.org

The Loveland Homeless Connect planning team thanks you in advance for your interest and participation in this event! We look forward to having this event in Loveland for a second year, to bring needed services to those in our community who are facing homelessness.



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HOMELESS
CONNECT**



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Congratulations to the Thompson School District Schools on the Move Challenge winners in 2013!

The Schools on the Move Challenge is sponsored by the University of Colorado Health's Healthy Kids Club and is an annual program held in February where students and staff keep track of their activity minutes and other healthy habits. Prize money is awarded to the top schools in two different categories to use towards PE equipment or school wellness initiatives. Winners in the Large School category were: Berthoud \$750, Ponderosa \$500, Centennial \$250, & Cottonwood Plains \$250. Winners in the Small School category were: BF Kitchen \$1,500, Carrie Martin \$500, Monroe \$500, Ivy Stockwell \$250, Big Thompson \$250, Lincoln \$250. New this year was a Video Challenge. Schools had the opportunity to create a video with the theme "Healthy Kids Learn Better," and the public voted on the winners. Ponderosa came in first place and won \$1,000. These schools get to start out the year with some money for PE and wellness – way to go schools!

Healthy Kids Club and CanDo would like to remind you to start the new school year with the 5210 Healthy Habits in mind:

5 servings of Fruits and Vegetables daily

2 hours or less of screen time each day

1 hour of physical activity per day

0 sugar-sweetened beverages



Healthy Kids Club®



Finally, be on the lookout for the return of the Halloween Hustle Family Fun Run!

Back by popular demand, the Hustle will be held at Houts Reservoir, west of the Medical Center of the Rockies on October 19th. Check the Healthy Kids Club website for registration information: www.pvhs.org/healthykidsclub.

Combining a place of warmth, understanding and growth with highly effective modern treatment and medications, Touchstone Health Partners' counseling services provide recovery, renewal, and respect for

those who walk through our doors. Touchstone Health Partners provides affordable, sometimes free, quality behavioral health and counseling services to individuals in need. With 20 locations throughout northern Colorado, compassionate care is always close at hand www.touchstonehealthpartners.org



Life Choices

Education, Support and Healing for Sexual Life Choices

Life Choices has been serving Northern Colorado in the Loveland area since 2001. As a neighbor in this community we are here to offer education, support and healing for sexual life choices. This includes free pregnancy tests,

options counseling, sexual integrity training and after-abortion care.

As Life Choices has thrived in this community and in 2012 when we outgrew our location on 29th Street, we moved to a beautiful facility across the street from Sam's Club on Redwood Drive. Kathy Roberts, the Center Director, would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

We also have a new affiliate that offers free ultrasounds to women in need. We work side by side with Image Clear Ultrasound to ensure that all women get the information they need to make the best decisions for themselves. For more information, please visit www.lifechoices.org.

NEED A CAR SEAT? Car Seat Safety Classes 2013

Safe Kids Larimer County and partners are pleased to offer three classes per month for families in need of a car seat/booster seat for their child. **Registration is REQUIRED and distribution is limited to one (1) seat per family, per year.** Classes are offered in both English and Spanish. Se habla español.

FEE: A \$20 donation is requested to support Safe Kids

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! Call 970.495.7508 Para registraren , Español llame al 970.495.7508

Please call to register at least 48 hours prior to class date/time. Don't delay, space is limited!



Do you have paper, pencils and pens? This is a familiar list of supplies for us all. As the kids get ready to head back school... maybe you should, too. Center for Adult Learning in Loveland/FRCC is gearing up for another great school year. Our schedules for skill building in reading, writing, math, GED and ESL classes are set for the new semester. The time to register for fall is now! Stop by 565 N. Cleveland Ave., Loveland, Colorado or give us a call at 970.663.7111 to set up an appointment today.



Directors of Volunteers in Agencies (DOVIA) ~ Volunteers of All Abilities ~ September 12, 2013

Don't miss out on dynamic volunteers that bring incredible assets to your agency. In this workshop you will learn how to engage volunteers with disabilities while extending your contribution to the community and collaborating with other agencies. Everyone has an ability... do you know how to cultivate it?

When: Thursday, September 12, 2013 (11:30am-1pm)

Location: Boys and Girls Clubs, 103 Smokey, Fort Collins

Presenter: Carrie Coyne, All Things Volunteers

Cost: Free for DOVIA members.

For an upcoming schedule of DOVIA events, membership information and more, click here.

<http://uwaylc.org/nonprofit-resources/directors-of-volunteers-in-agencies-dovia/>



Executive Director Breakfast Club in Fort Collins ~ September 18, 2013

Strengths—Based Leadership: How can you best capitalize on the strengths of your staff, board and volunteers to improve organizational efficiency and effectiveness?

Executive Director Breakfast Club presents, "Strengths---Based Leadership: How Can You Best Capitalize on the Strengths of Your Staff, Board and Volunteers to Improve Organizational Efficiency and Effectiveness?" Capitalizing on the strengths, skills and talents of your board and staff members will not only increase the effectiveness and efficiency of your organization but will make people happier! Come discuss ways to identify and use those natural strengths and talents to bolster your organization. You will learn how to leverage the assets and strengths of every person on your team to get key work done for your organization.

Where: Pathways Hospice, 305 Carpenter Rd, Fort Collins

When: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 (8:30am-10:00am)

Presenter: JVA Consulting, LLC.

Cost: Free

Click here for more information.

<http://uwaylc.org/nonprofit-resources/technical-assistance-partnership-tap/>

Community Events

SEPTEMBER

Sep 7 ~ SuperStars Sports Challenge, benefiting Partners Mentoring Youth, Rolland Moore Park, Fort Collins please contact Janna at: volcoor@partnersmentoringyouth.org or 970-484-7123

Sep 12 ~ SAVA Soiree, 6pm-8:30pm at the Fort Collins Hilton, 425 W Prospect Rd, RSVP to Jennifer Jones at 970.472.4204 or Jennifer@savacenter.org

Sep 14 ~ Pastels on 5th, benefiting Alternatives to Violence, for more information go to www.PastelsOn5th.org

Sep 15 ~ Join Elderhaus at Chili's at 3524 South College Avenue, Fort Collins, from 11:00am to 10:00pm for a dining out fundraiser. 10% of your purchase goes to Elderhaus. [Just print out a flyer and bring it with you.](#)

Sep 20 ~ CASA of Larimer County's inaugural Wine, Women & Shoes extravaganza, 6pm-9pm at the Lincoln Center in Fort Collins. For more information and to register, please visit www.winewomenandshoes.com/CASALC.

Sep 20 ~ Cravin' Cajun Boil, benefiting the Community Kitchen, 6pm to 10pm, for more information visit www.lovelandcommunitykitchen.org

Sep 21 ~ Easter Seals, Cruise for Brews, for more information and to register online go to www.eastersealscolorado.org.

OCTOBER

Oct 4 ~ "A Night for Life" with Rick Santorum will be held at the Budweiser Events Center. If you would like more information about this event, please [click here](#).

Oct 15 ~ Join Elderhaus at Culver's 916 S Lemay Ave Fort Collins, from 5:00pm to 10:00pm for a dining out fundraiser. 10% of your purchase goes to Elderhaus. [Check our website or Facebook for the flyer.](#)

Oct 19 ~ THE best ladies day in Northern Colorado, Shopping Extravaganza. \$10 of your \$20 ticket price will go to support Teaching Tree Early Childhood Learning Center in Loveland and Fort Collins. For more information, contact Tara Streeb, (970) 493-2628, tstreeb@teaching-tree.org.

Oct 25 ~ Loveland Homeless Connect, 8am-NOON, Truscott Elementary School, 211 W. 6th Street, Loveland. *See the front page for more information.*

To find out more information regarding these events and view other upcoming events, go to www.cityofloveland.org/communitypartnershipoffice and click **More...on the Events display**. You can sort by Community Events and Community Partnership.



SAVE THE DATE

Touchstone Health Partners
"Transforming Lives" Free
Fundraising Breakfast
November 14, 7:45am
Fort Collins Hilton

TOUCHSTONE
HEALTH PARTNERS
"Transforming Lives" Free Fundraising Breakfast

Join us



The City of Loveland is committed to providing an equal opportunity for citizens and does not discriminate on the basis of disability, race, age, color, national origin, religion, sexual orientation or gender. The City will make reasonable accommodations for citizens in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. For more information, please contact the City's ADA Coordinator at bettye.greenberg@cityofloveland.org or 970-962-3319.