

KSUN COMMUNITY RADIO
2nd Quarter Community Issues Report
April-June 2023

(1) TOPIC: Stop the Bleed

GUESTS: Becky Antonelli, Annick Pruett, Grand River Health

DATE: March 17, 2023 9:00-9:30 a.m.

HOST: Mary Lee Mohrlang

PROGRAM: The two guests were from Grand River Health and very instrumental in the implementation of this program to the permanent offerings at the hospital. The “Stop the Bleed” program is a new teaching program at the hospital which was originally started prior to COVID but suspended during the COVID shut down. “Stop the Bleed” originated many years ago with the purpose of acquainting and educating the public so that anyone, anywhere can assist in stopping a bleed occurrence in a person in almost any condition. Grand River Health has been training the public with educational programs throughout Garfield County - in the schools, large businesses, and other public training classes at the County level and at Grand River Health. This is approximately a two hour class which involves the "who, what, when, where and how" to stop a bleed event" in all environments. The class includes identifying pressure points, applying a tourniquet and the technique to stop bleeding even in some of the most precarious and unusual circumstances. And almost all ages can learn the technique and feel competent to stop the bleed" in many situations. This is an on-going program throughout Garfield County and open to everyone.

(2) TOPIC: Garfield County Sheriff Mental Health Peer Support

GUEST: Adam Ford, Garfield County Sheriff's Department

DATE: April 21, 2023 9:00-9:30 a.m.

HOST: Mary Lee Mohrlang

PROGRAM: Garfield County Sheriff's Department has developed a very "in- depth training program for their officers in order to give their staff tools to handle the varied"day to day stress they are experiencing both on and off duty. All officers are required to take this course when they are initially hired and then in recurrent training yearly. The service is available to their officers at any time when the incident has been stressful and the officer is experiencing difficulty in shaking off the ramifications of the event to that officer... In our world today, the role of being in law enforcement is often overwhelming which makes it difficult to leave the situations they have experienced. This new program has proven to be a dynamic program to keep morale, interest and dedication going to give the officers tools to cope both at home and on duty.

(3) TOPIC: Colorado Mountain College

GUEST: Tinker Dulco, Mandy Dovey

DATE: April 26, 2023 9:00-9:30 a.m.

HOST: Mary Lee Mohrlang

PROGRAM: Colorado Mountain College has several locations in Garfield County and offers a great variety of courses to all ages of students from retired citizens to high school to adults seeking further education and/or classes to expand their employment opportunities in the current job market to precollege courses, skill specific trades, sciences and business. The student ratio is approximately 13-1 and the Rifle campus is located in the lower Garfield County convenient to the communities of Rifle, Parachute, Battlement Mesa, New Castle, Silt and Glenwood Springs. Another CMC campus is located in the upper Garfield County area of Basalt and Carbondale and offers many opportunities for education in the ski industry and its related occupations. Classes range from degrees to certificates in various fields such as science, medical, business, and technical training. Many classes are subject specific training to specialty fields like nursing, construction, mining and gas and oil.

(4) TOPIC: Life After the Pandemic at the Community Resource Center

GUEST: Claudia Flores, Director

DATE: June 2, 2023 9:00-9:30 a.m.

HOST: Mary Lee Mohrlang

PROGRAM: The Resource Center provides many services to Parachute/Battlement Mesa students and parents and is a part of the Garfield County school system. This program is designed to assist the entire family with needs not necessarily met directly through the schools. The main emphasis is on the elementary grades, preschoolers, and the family as a unit. The offerings include education but so much else such as parental counseling, food and clothing drives, special education assistance, and direct programs involving the communities of Battlement Mesa and Parachute. One example is the Adopt a Family at Christmas. There are Christmas trees in local businesses with tags on the trees with the age and size of the children for an undisclosed family. Then the gifts are taken to the Center before Christmas where a party is held with all the families who open their gifts and have some special Christmas treats to eat. Our communities are so blessed to have the Resource Center with its multiple contributions in time, food, clothing, counseling, language classes, etc.