

Issues/Programs Community Ascertainment Meeting Monday, August 31, 2020

This meeting was held virtually and KCDO-TV/KSBS-CD representative GM Greg Armstrong participated.

9:00 am

Danny Katz

State Director

Colorado Public Interest Research Group

A variety of topics were covered by this group that would like to:

- End single use plastic
- Expand Bike lanes and improve sidewalks
- Promote and expand use of electric vehicles
- Disconnect jobs from quality of life
- Develop how to respond to Covid-19

9:30am

Michele Ostrander

President & CEO

Freedom Service Dogs of America

Information about the organization and their mission were presented:

- Started in 1987
- Dogs are trained to assist the disabled, children with autism and 45% are placed with veterans
- Have had 500 dog teams over the years
- Correctional inmates train the dogs first
- Each dog has an average investment of \$30,000 and is in service for 8-10 years
- A breeding program has been started and it supplies roughly 20 dogs per year