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# Guide to Non-Profits in the Pikes Peak Region



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# Don't Miss The Pikes Peak Region's First Nonprofit Resource Fair

Learn All About Local Nonprofit Organizations and the Services They Provide

# **By Trevor Phipps**

Just about everyone at one point in their lives has been impacted by a nonprofit organization whether they donated to a good cause or received aid. Just in the greater El Paso County Region, there are over 2,000 nonprofit organizations that provide a wide array of services for people of all ages.

However, sometimes the large number of organizations and the services they offer can be overwhelming. Some may struggle to find the right organization to support or utilize.

In order to better educate the public on what organizations exist locally, the Pikes Peak Senior News Magazine has chosen to sponsor the first of its kind SOCO Non-Profit and Small Business Fair. The event is slated to take place inside the venue on the main level of Library 21C located at 1175 Chapel Hills Dr. in Colorado Springs on October 25 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"This premier event that is free for all ages, brings together a diverse array of non-profit organizations that are each dedicated to making a positive impact in our community," the SOCO Nonprofit Fair's Sponsorship Coordinator, Anne Jensen said."Organizations will have the unique opportunity to showcase their commitment to social responsibility while gaining visibility among a broad audience of community members, volunteers, and other nonprofit leaders. Join us in strengthening the fabric of Southern Colorado by supporting this inspiring event and making a lasting difference in the lives of those we serve."

The event is open to everyone as they will get the chance to explore local nonprofits, small businesses and vendors. At the fair, attendees can discover resources, services and volunteer opportunities that support the entire Southern Colorado Region. There will also be live music and refreshments at the event.

Currently, the event is still looking for nonprofit and small business sponsors to participate in the event and show the world what they offer. Those interested in having a table at the fair can contact Anne Jensen at Anne@pikespeakseniornews.com or 719-321-1971.

# Why Are Nonprofits Important to the Community?

In every community across the U.S., nonprofit organizations play a vital role in a wide variety of ways. For one, nonprofits provide a connection between those who have the means to help others and people needing certain types of support. In many cases, nonprofit organizations bridge the gap to provide services that aren't offered by governmentfunded agencies.

According to the National Council of Nonprofits, nonprofit organizations enable people to work together for the common good and fulfill their individual dreams. Many organizations provide a means for people with shared beliefs and hopes to put them into action through the power of numbers.

"America's 1.3 million charitable nonprofits feed, heal, shelter, educate, inspire, enlighten, and nurture people of every age, gender, race, and socioeconomic status, from coast to coast, border to border, and beyond," the National Council of Nonprofit's website states. "They foster civic engagement and leadership, drive economic growth, and strengthen the fabric of our communities. Every single day. Every person in the United States benefits from the work of nonprofits in one way or another, whether they realize it or not."

In El Paso County alone, thousands of people rely on the services offered by nonprofits. Whether it is transportation for disabled people or senior citizens, giving assistance to domestic violence victims or preserving a piece of local history, every local nonprofit has an important and special purpose.

# Senior Lifestyle

#### The Importance of Volunteering

The bottom line is that many people would not be able to benefit from the services provided by nonprofit organizations if it were not for the hundreds of thousands of volunteers across the country that do the grunt work and make it all happen. Many volunteer because it gives them a good feeling inside when they know they are doing something upright for a good cause they believe in. Others enjoy volunteering as a way to socialize with people that have similar passions and viewpoints.

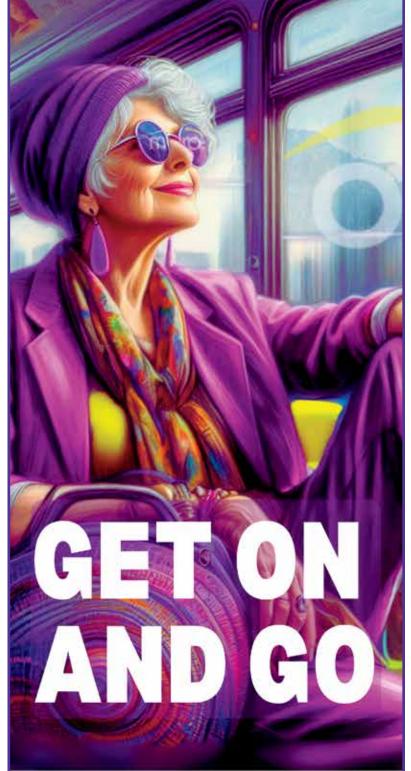
And once people get to the retirement age, experts say that volunteering is even more important to live a quality life. For one, volunteering can help reduce loneliness which often plagues Older Americans after friends and family members pass away and move out of town.

And according to a press release issued by AmeriCorps, a 2019 independent study provided evidence that suggested that volunteering can improve the health and wellbeing of people age 55 and older.

"I'm thrilled with the release of this independent study because it confirms what we have long believed to be true: Senior Corps volunteers are not only improving the lives of others, they are also improving their own,"Deborah Cox-Roush, director of Senior Corps said in the press release. "These volunteers are feeling healthier and less depressed. What's also exciting is they say they feel less socially isolated, which we know has important health benefits. Along the way, Senior Corps volunteers found a sense of accomplishment, opportunities for personal growth, and chances to form meaningful relationships."

And the good news is, with such a wide array of nonprofit organizations locally, there literally is something for everyone. Even those who are disabled can find some way that they can help out an organization of their choice.

By going to the region's first nonprofit fair later this month, people can have the chance to find the volunteer opportunity for the organization that fits their lifestyle the best. The fair will provide a unique chance to learn about a large number of local organizations that will all be in one spot. To learn more about the fair and sponsorship information visit, www.nonprofitresourcefairs.org.



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719-495-3123 Tuesday & Thursday 10am to 4pm hphh.org

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REACH Pikes Peak - Calhan Office 701 4th St Calhan, CO 80808 719-347-2976 Monday - Friday 8am - 4:30pm www.reachpikespeak.org

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Salvation Army - El Paso County 908 Yuma St Colorado Springs, CO 80908 719-636-3891 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9am to 3pm (closed 12pm to 1pm)

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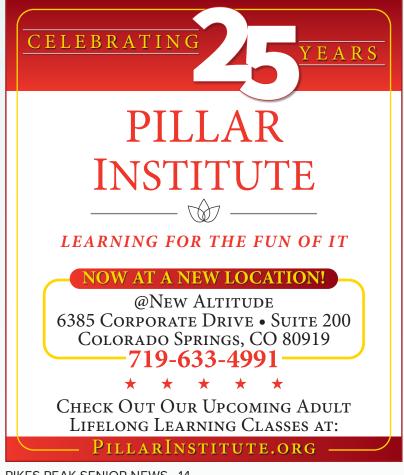
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# Eric Elison's, Christmas With Bing



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You can almost hear the sleigh bells ringing and catch the scent of Gingerbread!

Colorado Entertainer, and Navy Veteran, Eric Elison, announces a new Show: Eric Elison's Christmas With Bing! Elison, who is known in the US and Canada for entertaining theater audiences with the songs of Canadian Troubadour, Gordon Lightfoot, is presenting a new show featuring the Christmas songs of America's favorite Crooner, Bing Crosby.

"Bing has been a part of my life since I was knee high to a duck, and I want to share my love of his best-selling Christmas albums with my audiences," says Elison in a recent interview at his residence in Colorado Springs. "In March of 2024 I put the idea for the Show on paper, and began reaching out to theaters to gauge interest. I was amazed by the positive response!"

Elison has been a full time entertainer since 2017 when he quit his day job as an aerospace executive. "When I was a kid I loved to sing and perform. I got my voice from my Mom who was trained to sing opera. All throughout school I performed in various productions. My greatest singing influences were: Bing Crosby, Nelson Eddy, Frank Sinatra, Andy Williams and Gordon Lightfoot. I got the idea to put on the Show during last St. Patricks Day, when I performed "The Irish Lullaby." Singing that song reminded me of when Bing Crosby sang it in "Going My Way". Bing won a Best Actor Oscar for that movie. "At any rate, I enjoyed performing the song so much it got me to thinking about producing a Christmas Show. Everything is now on track to present the Show".

The first performance of the Show is 4 p.m. Sunday, November 24 at The Ute Pass Cultural Center in Woodland Park. Tickets purchased in advance are \$40. Tickets are an additional \$5 at the door. The show will feature Bing Crosby's Christmas hits including "White Christmas," "Jingle Bells," "I'll Be Home For Christmas," "Sleigh Bells" and "Silent Night. O Holy Night and many more.

Of the songs planned for the Show, Elison said, "These are songs that are deep in my heart. I grew up singing them in Church, school productions, and around the Christmas tree with my family." Reminiscing about the movie "White Christmas," Elison also sang many of these songs to fellow squadron mates while deployed with the Navy. "Whenever I sing, I'll Be Home For Christmas, I think about the many Christmases I was far away from home. That song often puts a tear in my eye, especially when I think about all our Servicemen and women who are on deployments during the holidays. The Show will feature a nice variety of music, upbeat Jazzy numbers like the version of Jingle Bells that Bing recorded with the Andrews Sisters, crowd favorites like White Christmas, and sacred songs that will take audience members to Church."

Pikes Peak Senior News Publisher. Anne Jensen, first met Eric Elison when he was performing his Tribute to Gordon Lightfoot at Stargazers Theatre in Colorado Springs last June. She was so impressed she made an immediate decision to book him for her Fall Senior Event. "When I heard that Eric would be performing "Christmas With Bing," I knew that was the right Show for my readership." Pikes Peak Senior News is presenting the Show in Woodland Park at The Ute Pass Cultural Center because it provides the perfect venue for reaching Seniors located in the Woodland Park and Divide Communities.

About the Venue, Eric Elison said, "I love performing at the Ute Pass Cultural Center. It has an intimate, small town feeling that will go very nicely with the Show.



# Arts and Culture

I have no doubt that Bing Crosby himself, would approve of this Hall for the premiere of a Show that celebrates his music. Also the stage is the perfect size for the ensemble that will be backing me. Led by Music Director and Keyboardist, Matt Podschweit, the Ensemble will include other musicians who regularly support my Lightfoot Concerts. Frank Sanchez will be trading in his electric Bass Guitar for a Stand Up Bass, and Dina Hollingsworth will be entertaining audiences with her flute and clarinet solos. These musicians are sure to please listeners of Bing Crosby's music with their Swing, Jazz, and Sacred Music arrangements. Audiences are also in for a special treat because of the vocal backing planned for the Show. We will be giving audiences the opportunity to experience what it must have been like in the 40's, and 50's to hear Bing's beloved Christmas show, performed live".

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The Christmas With Bing Orchestra is composed of professional musicians and vocalists, led by Music Director, Matt Podschweit. The Orchestra has a broad range of training and experience. Members are graduates from the musical programs of leading Colleges Universities. Many have extensive performance experience with major acts including: The Nelson Riddle Orchestra, Little Anthony, The Drifters, Chicago, "Weird" Al Yankovic, and the Four Lads.

The Show called "Christmas With Bing" will be performed at 4 p.m. Sunday, November 24th at the Ute Pass Cultural Center at 210 E Midland Ave, Woodland Park, CO 80863. Advance tickets are \$40 (inclusive of online service fees) or \$45 on the day of the show. Tickets can be purchased online at https://www. pikespeakseniornews.com/christmas-with-bing/.

For those who can't make the first show in Woodland Park, there will be two more opportunities to catch the holiday performance. "Christmas with Bing" will take place on November 23 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts located at 304 Hwy 105 in Palmer Lake. Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$35 by visiting https://www.pikespeakseniornews.com/ christmas-with-bing-tri-lakes/.

On December 14, the third show will take place at the Black Forest Community Club located at 12530 Black Forest Road in Black Forest from 7 to 9 p.m. Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$35 by visiting https://www.pikespeakseniornews.com/christmas-withbing-black-forest/.

Featured performers include:

Matt Podschweit - Director, Piano and Synthesizer

Frank Sanchez - Stand Up Bass

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# Senior Lifestyle

# UCCS Holds Special Launch Event to Celebrate Its Age Friendly University Designation Local College Campus Joins Global Network to Support the Region's Aging Population

# **By Trevor Phipps**

As the population of the U.S. ages, many educational institutions have recognized the need to expand all parts of their culture and educational environment to people of all ages. In fact, major universities across the world have been realizing the need to cater to older adults outside of the typical college student age who want opportunities to learn.

Last year, the University of Colorado Colorado Springs (UCCS) announced its official designation as an Age Friendly University (AFU). The Colorado Springs university joined other Colorado campuses like CU Anshutz and CU Denver and now belong to the AFU Global Network.

"The designation is bestowed by the Age-Friendly University Global Network, an organization of higher education institutions that is 'committed to promoting positive and healthy aging and enhancing the lives of older members of the global community," an article published by the UCCS news publication Communique stated.

Now that UCCS officially belongs to the AFU Global Network, the university is planning an official AFU Launch event on October 1 to celebrate becoming a member. The event takes place from 4 to 7 p.m. at Berger Hall inside the University Center on the UCCS campus. Snacks and refreshments will be available during the event as members of the community can learn about the AFU principles and ask questions about the age-friendly work being done on campus.

"Receiving the AFU designation is not an endpoint but rather a beginning," Amy Silva-Smith, Director of the Gerontology Center said, according to Communique. "Being an Age-Friendly University means that we, the UCCS community, are committed to considering what it means to support an aging population as we go about our day-to-day work with students, co-workers, volunteers, and community members. The campus can look forward to events and activities that promote agefriendliness at UCCS!"

Since its inception, UCCS has always had a significantly large non-traditional student population which consists of students outside of the traditional college student ages of 18 to 22. The recent designation serves as the university's most recent answer in a time where Colorado ranks as one of the nation's top fastestaging states.

"UCCS has a strong presence

of evening classes to meet the needs of working students and we focus on recruitment from local industry as well as high schools," Silva-Smith continued. "Our first Ph.D. program was aligned with local industry need (engineering) and enrolled working adults primarily. Our second Ph.D. in Geropsychology focused on the aging population's need for mental health services, positioning us with national prominence as a leader in preparing professionals to address the needs of an aging population."

The UCCS Gerontology Center led the charge of joining the AFU Global network with support of others in the university including the Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. The process did not come overnight as according to the AFU Global Network website, the university applying to join must meet several criteria and go through an application process that can take three months to a year.

"Collaboration within the AFU Global Network on research, service, and educational innovations will be possible in a way that was not before receiving the AFU designation," Silva-Smith said. "The Center for Gerontology, housed within the Office of Research, has a tripartite mission for research, education, and community engagement. We welcome new affiliates at any time and invite anyone interested to contact us and join us for our events, such as our first speaking engagement this fall."

#### Age Friendly University Principles

All of the universities across the world that receive the official AFU designation must follow the AFU Global Network's following 10 Principles:

- 1. To encourage the participation of older adults in all the core activities of the University, including educational and research programs.
- 2. To promote personal and career development in the second half of life and to support those who wish to pursue second careers.
- To recognize the range of educational needs of older adults (from those who were early schoolleavers through to those who wish to pursue Master's or Ph.D. qualifications).
- 4. To promote intergenerational learning in order to facilitate the reciprocal sharing of expertise between learners of all ages.
- 5. To widen access to online educational opportunities for older adults to ensure a diversity of routes to participation.
- 6. To ensure that the university's research agenda is informed by the needs of an aging society and to promote public discourse on how higher education can better respond to the varied interests and needs of older adults.
- 7. To increase the understanding of students of the longevity dividend and the increasing complexity and richness that aging brings to our society.
- 8. To enhance access for older adults to the university's range of health and wellness programs and its arts and cultural activities.
- 9. To engage actively with the university's own retired community.
- 10. To ensure regular dialogue with organizations representing the interests of the aging population.



According to the AFU Launch Event flyer, the evening will include a part that overviews the 10 principles and a community conversation and question/answer session. "There will be EN-Lightning talks about age-friendly work being done on campus, research posters about current projects being done at UCCS, and more," the event flyer states.

The event is open to the public and all attendees receive free parking. For more information about the event e-mail geron@uccs.edu.



# UCCS Age-Friendly University (AFU) Launch Event!

Tuesday, October 1, 4:00 - 7:00 pm in Berger Hall

4:00: Welcome 4:20: AFU Principles Overview 4:30 - 5:30: EN-Lightning Talks 5:30 - 5:50: Q&A and Community Conversation 5:30: Research/Scholarship Posters and Resource Tables

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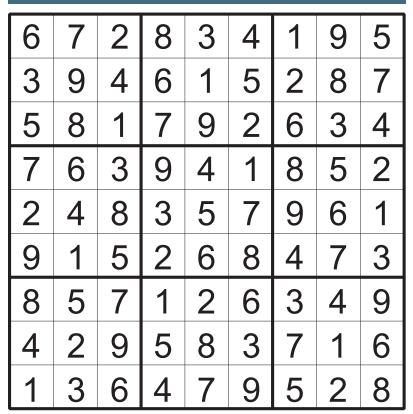
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# Colorado Recipes

# Salted Caramel Chocolate Chip Cookies

- Ingredients
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon coarse salt
- 1 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cups brown sugar
- 1 cup unsalted butter, softened
- 1/4 cup white sugar

- 2 eggs
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 2 cups chocolate chips
- 18 unwrapped caramel candies (such as Werther's®), each cut into 6 pieces
- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).
- 2. Whisk flour, baking soda, and salt together in a bowl.
- 3. Beat brown sugar, butter, and white sugar together in a bowl using an electric mixer until creamy.
- Beat eggs, 1 at a time into butter mixture until blended. 4.
- 5. Beat in vanilla extract.
- 6. Stir flour mixture into butter mixture until dough is just combined; fold in chocolate chips.

1/2 tsp salt

- 7. Divide dough into thirty six 2 tablespoon-size balls; arrange on a baking sheet.
- 8. Press 3 caramel pieces into each dough ball.
- 9. Bake in the preheated oven until edges are golden brown, 13 to 15 minutes. Transfer cookies to a wire rack to cool.

# **Tuscan Style Chicken Soup**

- 1 onion peeled and chopped
  - 2 cloves garlic peeled and minced
  - 2 sprigs fresh thyme or ½ tsp dried thyme 400 g (14 oz) cooked cannellini beans
  - 1 stick of celery sliced
  - 2 medium carrots peeled and chopped 2 medium potatoes peeled and diced
  - 1 liter (4 cups) good-quality chicken stock ideally homemade, but water with small bunch fresh parsley chopped stock cubes will work too. Use water plus bouillon for gluten-free

1/2 tsp black pepper washed and drained 2 skinless cooked chicken breasts shredded 100 g (3.5 oz) chopped kale

2 tbsp finely grated Parmesan To Serve: Fresh thyme, toasted granary bread



- 1. Heat the oil in a large saucepan. Add the onion and cook for 10 minutes on a low-medium heat, stirring occasionally until softened.
- 2. Add the garlic and thyme and cook for a further 2 minutes.
- 3. Add the celery, carrots, and potatoes, stir, then add in the chicken stock, salt and pepper. Bring to the boil, then simmer for 20 minutes.
- 4. Add in the drained cannellini beans and cook for a further 5 minutes
- 5. Add the shredded chicken and heat through for 2-3 minutes, then add the kale. Stir and simmer for 1-2 minutes until the kale has wilted. Test and season with more salt and pepper if needed.
- Divide between four bowls, topped with fresh parsley, grated parmesan and a couple of sprigs of fresh thyme. Serve with some toasted granary bread.



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