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**Post Independent Article:
"Understanding the Impact of Diversion Programs:
Attorney General Weiser Visits"**

During his visit this May, YouthZone gathered key community partners and influential local leaders. Community leaders helped Weiser understand the day-in day-out needs of our community.

These community partners included:

Dave Portman - YouthZone Board President

Paul Lazo - YouthZone Board Member & Carbondale Law Enforcement Officer

Amanda Vaughn - RE2 Family Resource Director

Erica Snow - Aspen Community Foundation Executive Director

Airen Goodman - YouthZone Program Director

Mary Bess Bolling - YouthZone Restorative Justice Coordinator

Chelsea Protz - YouthZone Youth Advocate

This visit can be seen as an example of the significance of diversion programs, as Attorney General Weiser turns his attention towards organizations like YouthZone and their ability to keep

youth out of the justice system. As organizations like YouthZone continue to emphasize the importance of early intervention with both pre- and post-assessment surveys, they will likely continue to see success in changing the path of the youth they serve.

[Read Full Article](#)

Welcome to the Team, Erin Greenwald!

Erin has over 14 years of real-life experience in the recovery community and is a Certified Addiction Technician. She holds a bachelor's degree in Sociology from CU Boulder. We are thrilled to have her expertise on our team, supporting our community.

[Learn More](#)



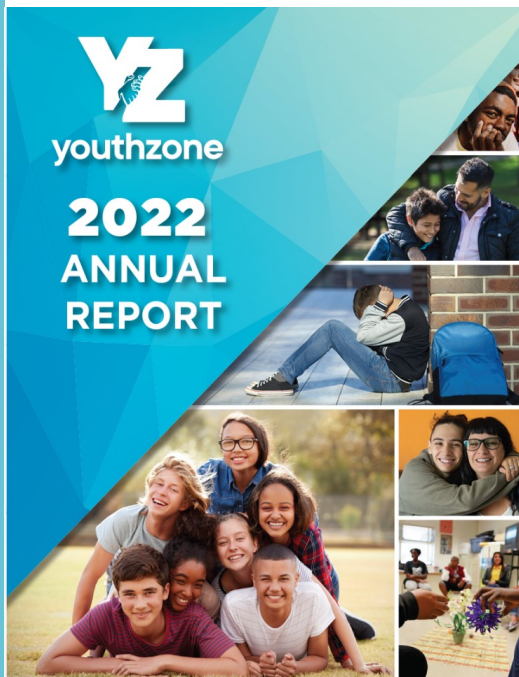
Check Out The 2022 Annual Report

We are thrilled to share a momentous announcement with you! Our highly anticipated 2022 Annual Report is now available for your viewing pleasure.

This report showcases YouthZone's remarkable successes, goals achieved, and significant accomplishments experienced throughout the year.

Join us as we delve into the pages that highlight our continuous commitment to making a positive impact on our community.

[View Annual Report](#)





A Soggy Golf Tournament Turned Success

Thank you to everyone who took part in this year's YouthZone Charity Golf Tournament at Rifle Creek Golf Course. It was a soggy day of golf, and we deeply appreciate everyone for tackling the wet weather. Your generous support has enabled us to provide guidance and assistance to youth and their families in the Roaring Fork and Grand River Valley communities.

At the end of the day, despite the inclement weather, the tournament was a great success. The event raised much-needed funds, and everyone had a great time. A big thank you goes out to all of the amazing participants and volunteers who came out in the rain and made this tournament a success!

Thank You Golf Tournament Sponsors

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**[View Golf Tournament
Photos](#)**



Unity for Community 5K Walk and Run

Join your community Sunday,
September 17, 2023 at
Veterans Park in Silt, Colorado!

Registration is \$25 per person
and starts at 9:00am. Pre-
register and receive a free event
t-shirt. Bring the entire family -
all ages are welcome.

A special thank you goes out to
Salon West for Sponsoring this
fun community event!

All proceeds benefit the mission
and vision of YouthZone.

**Register
Today!**

Happy Pride Month!

Pride Month is a time to
honor and uplift the
LGBTQIA+ community,
recognizing their history,
achievements, and
ongoing struggle for
equality. It serves as a
powerful reminder of the
importance of diversity,
acceptance, and
inclusion.

During this month, we
embrace the vibrant
spirit of Pride, fostering
an environment where
everyone can express
their true selves without
fear or judgment.

Let us stand in solidarity,
supporting LGBTQIA+
rights and amplifying
their voices as we strive
towards a world where
love, understanding, and
equality prevail every
month of the year.
Together, we can create
a more inclusive and
accepting society for all.



MONDAYS: 4:15 - 5:15 pm
at Rifle YouthZone

TUESDAYS: 4:00 - 5:00 pm
at Glenwood CMC Campus

WEDNESDAYS: 3:00 - 4:00 pm
at Basalt TACAW



Pizza and drinks are provided. No registration required.
Ages 12-18. For more information call 970-989-2756.

Spaces funded by: **AspenOUT**



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Coloradans by engaging closely with communities across the state
through investing, policy advocacy, learning and capacity building.

**Learn More About The Space - a
LGBTQIA+ Youth Peer Support Group**

**Read About YouthZone's The Space
Expansions with a Grant from The
Colorado Health Foundation**

**Are you passionate about
positively impacting young
lives in your community?**

Look no further! Volunteering



and donating to YouthZone presents the perfect opportunity to be the change you wish to see in the world. Together, we can help shape a brighter future for our youth. Even the smallest act of kindness can ignite a spark of change in a young person's life.

By supporting YouthZone, you become an integral part of a network of support that helps build stronger, healthier relationships within families and communities.

YouthZone is dedicated to offering comprehensive assessment and advocacy services. Our mission revolves around building and strengthening healthy relationships between youth, families, and communities. By supporting YouthZone, you directly contribute to equipping young individuals with the tools they need to thrive and succeed.

Join us today in our mission to empower young lives and create a positive ripple effect throughout your community.

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