Garfield County Human Services Commission Annual Meeting
Agenda
Wednesday, October 14th , 2026 9:30 – 11 am
Zoom

Welcome and Opening Comments Kelly Esch/Sarah Fedishen
Approval of prior meeting minutes Pat Horwitz/Traci Gurley-Tomashosky
-Meeting minutes were reviewed, Mason Hohstadt motioned to approve September 2026 meeting minutes and Sally Boughton seconded. Vote was taken and motioned carried unanimously.
Introduction of Guests Kelly Esch/ Sarah Fedishen
-Samantha Markovitz, Every Child Parachute to Aspen
-Annu Edgecombe, Mountain Family Health Center
-Sheila Maurer, River Center
-Zyra Guyon, Youth Zone

Committee Reports
Services Award Dinner (Ad-hoc) Hans Lutgring/Blythe Chapman
-The dinner was successful and it was decided that future award dinners should be held in September going forward. Blythe is stepping down and the committee is looking for a new co-chair. A big thanks to Blythe for all she has done for the committee.
Grants (Standing) Mason Hohstadt/ Pat Horwitz/ Shiela Strouse
-The HSC reviewed the grant recommendations. Sara Sims moved to approve the grant recommendations and Erin Leazer seconded, vote was held and the motion carried approving grant recommendations.
Membership (Ad-hoc) Caroline Barnes/Suzanne Wheeler- Del Piccalo
-No report-gave reminder of membership process for joining the HSC.
Colorado Gives Day (Ad-hoc) Mary Cloud/ Todd Chamberlain
-Mary reported out. Things are going well and the giving guide is almost complete. Please look for opportunities to support CO Giving Day awareness and volunteer!
The State of Human Services (Ad-hoc) Sara Sims/Mason Hohstadt
-Sara and Mason reported that the committee needs more participation. It was suggested that the committee meetings be incorporated into regular HSC meetings to increase participation.

Old Business
- **BOCC:** Monday, October 19th, at 8:00am. Presenting are: Grant Recommendations
  -The HSC reviewed the grant recommendations. Sara Sims moved to approve the grant recommendations and Erin Leazer seconded, vote was held and the motion carried approving grant recommendations.
- **Documents:** Meeting calendar, BOCC Calendar, Bylaws and Spotlights for 2026 (Chairpersons)

New Business
- **Grant Award Review:** Mason Hohstadt
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- **Every Child: Parachute to Aspen** an Early Childhood Special Tax District: Sam Markovitz
- **Next meeting schedule:** Veterans Day, who will make it
- **Spotlights:** Garfield County Public Health & Mountain Family Health Centers
  (Spotlight purpose is for agencies to talk about their updated programs and what activities they are working on currently; Content is of value to other non-profits on HSC; and Outcome is collaborating and educating. Given the timing there could be 2 spotlighted organizations per meeting. Limit report to 10 minutes.)

Opportunity for Public Comment (Please limit to 3 minutes)
Staffing Updates/Agency Rounds (if time allows) **Next Meeting:**
November 11, 2026 Via Zoom **Upcoming Spotlights:** November:
Youth Zone, DU **Adjourn**