Child Abuse Prevention Month

2017 Activities and Events

March 21
Proclamation by the Fountain City Council. Meeting begins at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 116 South Main St., Fountain.

March 28
Proclamation by the Colorado Springs City Council and pinwheel planting. Meeting begins at 1 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall, 107 N. Nevada Ave. #300, Colorado Springs.

April (month long)
Cases of Love - All YMCA locations in the Pikes Peak region will be collecting new and gently used suitcases and dufflebags and personal care items for foster children 0 to 18 years of age until about noon on April 22.

Peak Vista Community Health Centers will be planting pinwheel gardens at many clinics around the region. The blue pinwheel is the national symbol for child abuse prevention as the pinwheel stands for the fun and carefree childhood that every child should experience.

The El Paso County Department of Human Services encourages Not One More Child partners and others to pledge to help distribute the NOMC “Community Cards” across the region. The cards include information for parents on the how to respond to a crying baby, how to choose a safe caregiver, and tips for overwhelmed parents and caregivers.

April 3
Proclamation by the Monument Board of Trustees; meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. at Monument Town Hall, 645 Beacon Lite Road, Monument.

April 4

Proclamation by the El Paso County Board of County Commissioners and pinwheel planting; meeting begins at 9 a.m. in the auditorium at 200 S. Cascade Ave, Colorado Springs.

The Colorado Department of Human Services hosts an event 11 a.m. to noon at the Colorado State Capitol Building, 200 E Colfax Ave, Denver.

Proclamation by the Manitou Springs City Council; meeting begins at 6 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall, 606 Manitou Ave.

April 6

Ecumenical Social Ministries hosts an open house of WISH House 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with a ribbon cutting and blessing ceremony at 3:30 p.m. WISH stands for Women In Strength and Hope, and the home will house 16 homeless women and help connect them to programs.

April 10

Department of Human Services employees will be wearing blue to recognize Child Abuse Prevention Month. There will be a pinwheel garden planting at 10 a.m. at Citizens Service Center, 1675 Garden of the Gods Road, Colorado Springs.

April 22

 Volunteers with Cases of Love will be collecting new and gently used suitcases and dufflebags and personal care items for foster children 0 to 18 years of age at the Downtown YMCA at 207 N. Nevada Ave., Colorado Springs from 11 a.m.until 3 p.m. The
items will be distributed to children in foster care so they don't have to use trash bags to move with their belongings.

**April 24**

Peaceful Households holds its annual Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Conference at the Antlers Hotel. The conferences costs $85 until March 24, then the cost increases to $95 (includes lunch and parking). More information is online at http://www.peacefulhouseholds.org/annual-conference-2017.

**April 26**

CASA’s 2017 Light of Hope Fundraiser; contact Jill Cheetham to reserve your seat or host a table at 719-447-9898 ext. 1026 or jillc@casappr.org. Sponsorships are also available for this event. More information is online at https://www.casappr.org/event/2017-light-hope-fundraiser/.