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### **WOMENS CENTER**

This Saturday, we're planting pumpkin seeds at 180 Ministries in faith and excitement for the season ahead! Our Pumpkin Patch will be open every weekend in October, leading up to our annual Fall Festival on October 18—a day of fun, fellowship, and community.

Right now, we're raising and selling plants to help fund student housing, meals, and instruction. We're also urgently praying for a 15-passenger van, as ours is no longer usable. If you feel led to bless us or know someone who can help, we'd be so grateful!

# HELP!

**EVERY DAY PEOPLE ASK ME WHAT THEY CAN DO TO HELP** 

WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF A 15-PASSENGER VAN FOR OUR MINISTRY. IF GOD IS TUGGING AT YOUR HEART TO HELP US MOVE THIS MOUNTAIN, CALL US AT 303.985.1776.



# **MEN'S CENTER**

Matthew entered the program in September 2022—homeless, broken, and desperate for change. Before that, he was wandering the streets of Denver, high on meth and alcohol, praying for a second chance. So determined to turn his life around, he showed up on a Saturday morning, unannounced, begging to get in. I saw the desperation in his eyes and



took a chance. From day one, Matthew dove into Scripture, knowing Jesus was his only way forward. He faced more trials than most—struggling with epilepsy, which he had long numbed with alcohol. During the program, he suffered multiple seizures and emergency hospital visits, yet never gave up.

At 180 Ministries, Matthew faced his demons head-on. He learned to trust God in discomfort and to stand firm through pain. Today, he's thriving—working a great job in insurance, active in church, and preparing for surgery to reduce future seizures. Matthew is living proof of God's faithfulness. He's a role model for others in the program and continues to walk the path he fought so hard to find. We're incredibly proud of him and excited for what's ahead.

# **WOMEN & WOMEN WITH CHILDREN**

Our Awesome Savior is at work in the hearts of the women and children here at 180 Ministries on the western slope of Colorado. We are witnessing lives transformed as women and their families choose to follow Jesus and seek Him in their daily walk. Marriages are being fought for—and the destroyer is losing. Children are blooming as healing takes root in their parents. It is a battle, but our merciful God has given us His Living Word to stand on. Each of us—staff, student, mother, or child—is strengthened in our faith through His presence and the transformations we are experiencing.

Hannah came into our program seven months ago. She had a protective order against her, issued by the father of her child. Her life had spun out of control, and her dreams were being shattered by bipolar disorder and the use of legal substances. She longed to be a good mother to her daughter, Violet, and to have another chance at being a family with Violet's dad. Since entering the program, Hannah's supervised visits have progressed to full visits at the center—including sleepovers—and the protective order has been dropped.



### In Hannah's own words:

"I have seen growth in my endurance, discernment, honesty, and parenting—but most importantly, in my faith. God has taught me so much during my time here about perseverance. And through it all, I've experienced growth in my family relationships and reconciliation with my baby's father.

I have seen the promise of an amazing future filled with the love of family and God. 180 Ministries has given me nothing less than a second chance and a tremendous amount of hope. The sisterhood I have gained, as well as the experiences, mentors, and life lessons, will stay with me forever."

Our group of women continues to be a source of encouragement to one another, walking through shared struggles together. Relationships—especially marriages—have been a battleground, but also a place of great victory. Willing, humble hearts are fertile soil for the seeds of life to grow.

Thank you for standing with us in the battle against addiction and the death it brings. Our center, built in the 1980s, often requires maintenance that can delay some of the new things we hope to implement. We are currently working toward launching \*Vibrant Life on the Western Slope\*—a program designed to expand the counseling and therapy services our women need in their journey toward healing and wholeness. We are just one unit away from making this possible on-site.

Please consider giving toward the many ongoing needs that are truly our daily bread. May His Shalom abide in each of you.





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