

# Senior Citizen Action Group DBA Senior Social Center (SSC)

Our mission is to provide a permanent, accessible gathering place to enhance the quality of life for seniors citizens through socialization, exercise, creativity, and education.

### Where People Connect

We believe that adults over 50 deserve an opportunity to achieve their greatest potential with physical, social, and emotional health.

- Socialization > Conversation Special Events Coffee Cards Groups
- Exercise > Full gym of exercise equipment- Geri Fit- Qigong- Yoga Swimming- Movement & Exercise class- Line Dancing & more
- Creativity- Art- Cooking- Crafts- Music- Sewing- crocheting
- Education- Presentations (Lunch & Learns)- Resources- Senior Law Series- other classes & trainings. AARP Tax prep

# We have a committed and talented board of directors and Senior Center staff.

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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### **SSC & Medicare SHIP Staff**

Title	Name
Executive Director	Rebekah Greenwood
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Medicare SHIP Coordinator	
Office Assistant	Jackie Camp
Medicare Navigator	Lynne Malizia
Medicare Navigator	Rashella Huber
Senior Outreach Coordinator	Ruth Ann Hendershott
Resource Navigator/Program Assistant	Kristin Skowronski
Custodian	Gabriel Holloway

Senior Center Action Group DBA Senior Social Center was founded 10 years ago this June in 2014, when a group of Moffat County delegates for the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Colorado (AAA) collaborated with local business owners and community members to create a permanent, accessible gathering place for active adults. In addition, the SSC partnered with many non-profits and other agencies interested in the health and wellbeing of seniors in our community.

Since this time the SSC has grown exponentially and has become the Hub for Aging Services in Moffat County.

We served a recorded number of 766 unique clients in 2023 and had 7814 recorded participants sign-in. Not everyone signs in, so we don't capture the total number of participants. We are consistently growing in participation each year.

In 2020 our budget was \$67,206.

We ended the year at \$83,770.39 brought in as income.

Our current budget for our fiscal year July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024 is \$186,135.83.

We will surpass that budget by at least \$20,000 because of additional funding to start our Home Modification and Services program.

## SSC Funding

The Senior Social Center receives it primary funding from an the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Colorado grant. About 40% of that funding goes to operate the Medicare SHIP program.

### We receive some additional grants from:

Yampa Valley Community Foundation

Yampa Valley Electric Association

The City & County HRC grant

CHFA- Colorado Housing and Finance Authority

Other grant funders when opportunities arise

We also receive some donations and participants contribute to programing.

Our annual Wine Tasting/Art Show event goes to pay for things our grants don't cover, like events and meetings.

# Keep Your Mind & Body Active!

The Senior Social Center believes that adults over 50 deserve an opportunity to achieve their greatest potential with physical, social, and emotional health.

EXPERIENCE MORE:

JOIN US!
WHERE
SENIORS
CONNECT

Geri Fit · CT
Combo · Qigong
Yoga · Swimming
Exercise Equipment

Social Center

Creativity
Art · Music
Cooking

Education
Classes · Presentations
Resources · Training
Medicare Counseling

A 501(C)(3) Organization

Socialization

Conversation

Coffee · Cards

Parties · Activities

Join us!

Senior Outreach Services:

We strive to improve participants' quality of life through consistent, appropriate personal contact. SOS reaches isolated seniors in need of connection with phone calls, cards, visits & gifts.

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**Navigating Medicare** 

Medicare SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program)

Helping recipients:

\*Understand options

\*Make informed choices

\*Know their rights

\*Save money

970-819-6401

The SSC's SHIP program serves Moffat and Rio Blanco County residents. We provided 410 one-on-one appointments with Medicare recipients during this last year SHIP fiscal year.

We serve more clients per capita in Moffat County then any other county or region in Colorado. We are very proud of our staff and volunteers.

This program makes such a difference in peoples lives, helping them make the best choices for their health and finances as they grow older.

Our services are free and confidential. We do not sell or endorse health plans. Colorado SHIP is part of a national network of programs. Counselors go through a rigorous training and are required to continue training as long as they serve as a counselor.

3 employees have part-time hours assigned to this program and we currently have 3 volunteers.

### Senior Outreach Services

We strive to improve participants' quality of life through consistent, appropriate personal contact. Our Outreach program targets those in need of socialization and encouragement, who may be homebound, frail, and/or low-income residents age 60 and older who live in Craig and its surrounding communities.

A SSC staff person (Ruth Ann Hendershot) and two volunteers connect with 77 clients through:

- Weekly phone calls.
- Cards for birthdays, holidays, encouragement and bereavement.
- Providing multiple home visits, visit in groups at Sunset Meadows and periodically visit at either the Haven, Casey's Pond, Sandrock Ridge Care & Rehabilitation and the Walbridge Memorial Wing.

### Resource Navigator Program

The SSC 's Resource Navigator finds ways to provide needed resources and services to help senior live more comfortably in their homes and help improve their quality of life. This position improves the capacity of the SSC to reach more vulnerable underserved clients. Staff sits down face to face with clients to help them sign up for programs like LEAP, CARE, free internet, locost phone service, etc.

We had gentleman come in that had been to many different agencies in the city looking for help. He really just needed someone to take time with him and address his individual concerns. It was overwhelming to him having to go to so many different places and not really understanding the services they provided. He kept saying "no one has the time to help me". He needed someone to look at his overall picture and help go through the process of applying through a website or over the phone. Funds are secured to fund this position through Sept. 2024. The SSC is in the process of applying for funding to help develop this program to where it is sustainable.

Our Resource Navigator will facilitate an expansion of our Senior Outreach program to include more tangible services through the new Home Modification & Services program. Providing things like small home repairs and cleaning services. To help seniors live more comfortably in their homes and help improve their quality of life.

The navigator works to enlist volunteers, donations, in-kind service and products to enable the SSC's capacity to deliver these services.

Working with area partners like NWCCI and NWCO options for Long Term Care to find additional funding to help the clients gets as much of the needed projects done as possible.

# CircleTalk Program



It has become increasingly and more apparent that one of the most critical needs for our community's older population is Mental Health services.

The SSC has started structured support-group meetings using courses from the "CircleTalk" program, with the goal of forming a healthy group to foster belonging and connection, a place to share personal stories, insights, and feelings.

CircleTalk is a relationship-centered program where people can experience an intimate community and meaningful connections with their peers.

Everyone deserves to belong to something.

Connection. Belonging. Community.

## Resource Provider Meeting- Partners

- Memorial Region Health
- Integrated Community
- Health Partnership
- Community Budget Center
- Alzheimer Association
- AARP
- Department of Human Services
- Northwest Colorado Health
- Veteran Association
- Caregiver Support & Senior Equipment
- Options for Long Term Care

## Funding of Regional Senior Center's

- Radino Senior Center in Rangely- County owns and maintains the building. County staff run meal sites and transportation. Volunteer help with other center activities.
- Meeker Chuck Wagon- is not an official Senior Center. County owns and maintains the building. County staff run meal sites and transportation. They play games and have other activities occasionally.
- Rifle Senior Center- funded and operated by City staff. The City owns and maintains the building. Garfield County helps pay for the meals. Other activities are at the center.
- Fruita Senior Center- The City Community Center is owned and maintained by the city. They have a full list of activities that are run by city employees.
- Grand Junction Senior Center- City owns and maintains the building. County meals are in a separate location. Volunteers help with other center activities.
- Routt County Council on Aging- City owns and maintains the community center building. RCCOA pay \$1 per year. The County pays for 3 shuttles busses, insurance and staffing. An additional \$25,000 each from the city and county for operations. Regional funding for Vintage Area Aging of NWCO.

# SSC Funding invested into the Yampa Building

### **CO Senate Grant**

<ul> <li>HVAC System in the Senior Socia</li> </ul>	l Center area	\$18,576.00

•	Remodel in 2	2 restrooms-	<b>Flooring</b>	& ADA	Toilets & bars	\$2,695.85
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<ul> <li>Electric repair</li> </ul>	\$220.00
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### Area Agency on Aging NWCO

<ul> <li>Fence &amp; Garden project-</li> </ul>	\$3952.29
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• Patio Area- Limestone	\$3827.84
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### \*\*\* Foundation

<ul> <li>Support for the Yampa Building Project</li> </ul>	\$50,000.00
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Total Capital Improvements- invested	\$79,271.98
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## Large Annual Events









# More fun: events, cooking classes, games on the grass, lunch on the lawn, a regional picnic and much more.







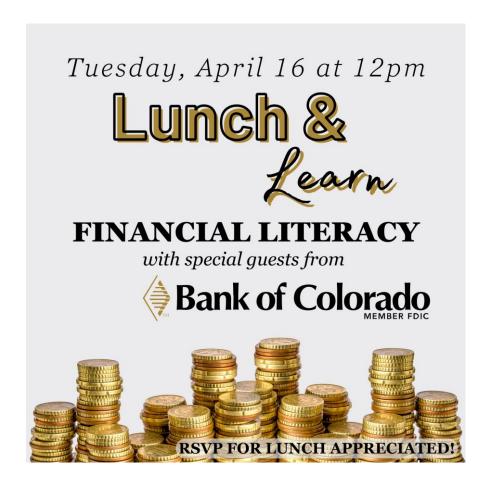






# Potluck is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday each month. Lunch & Learn the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month.





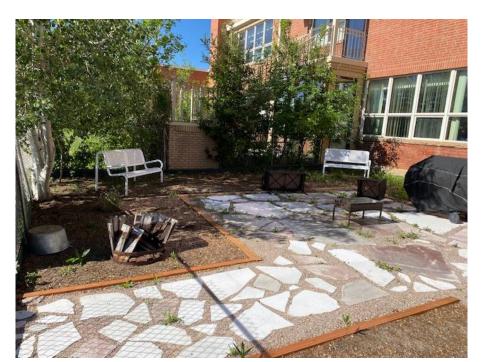
# Art Class every Wednesday at 4 PM. Tie Dye and other special classes throughout the year.













# Community Garden

Volunteers

Patio

Cornhole pit
Parrotheads

## Youth volunteerism & intergenerational connection.



Rocky
Mountain
Youth Corp
(RMYC)
In the
Community
Garden



Boys & Girls Club in the Community Garden



RMYC at Seniors Home



CMS in the Community Garden

### We have a strong partnership with NWCO Health.







Held monthly at multiple locations in Moffat County. Drop-ins are welcome.



Services provided by specially trained nurse.



Visits include weight and blood pressure check, medication review & consultation.

#### CRAIG

St. Michael's Church (Wellness Wednesday)
1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month

9:30am - 12pm

**Sunset Meadows I** 

4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month 10:30am - 1pm Sunset Meadows II

4th Thursday of the month 10 - 11am

Senior Social Center

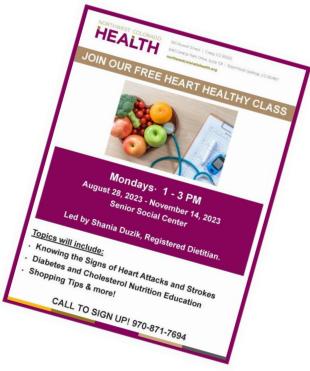
**2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month** 11:30am – 1pm

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 970-871-7676.



northwestcoloradohealth.org

Senior Wellness Checks are offered on a donation basis. No one is turned away due to inability to pay.





## Chair Yoga at 10:30 am & Floor Yoga at 4 pm on Thursdays





### Swimming Transportation Shuttle

The SSC funded shuttle service to the Meeker Recreation Center throughout the winter.

### With our Partners:

Northwest Center of Independence: NWCCI

### 19 trips

Craig City Parks and Recreation

### 17 trips



Rec center senior daily fee \$5 for adults 62 and over

#### **TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS**

MEETS AT 8:50 AM at the Yampa Building 775 Yampa Ave Craig, CO 81625

### STAY ACTIVE THIS WINTER!

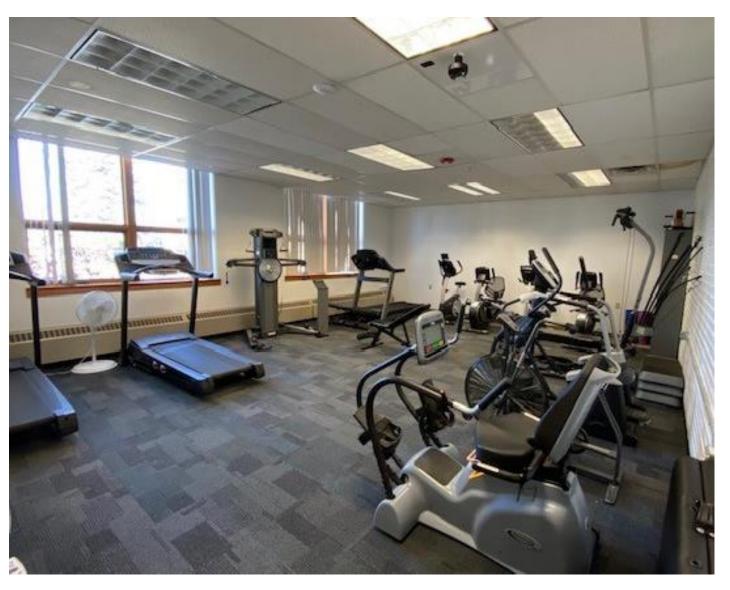
- Thursday program begins November 2nd
- Tuesday program begins November 14th
- No swimming November 16th or 23rd
- No swimming December 26th

#970-326-3188

RSVP 2 business days in advance to save your spot on the van! #970-326-3188

Senior Social Center 775 Yampa Ave Craig, CO 81625 New spaces within the Center A larger equipment room with three new machines in 2023. A open exercise classroom for Geri fit, Gigong and Chair Yoga. This space also services as over full space for events within the center.





## We appreciate your support!

Please spread the word about the great service we offer.

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Medicare SHIP Program

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#### **Tuesday** Monday Wednesday Thursday Sunday Friday Saturday Wellness Wednesday at St. Michaels 9:30 a.m. Cribbage 10:30 a.m. Chair Yoga 12:30 p.m. Games 10 a.m. Movement 9am Memoir 10:30am Exercise classes 3 p.m. QiGong & Exercise 11:30am lunch Pinochle & Cards 3 p.m. Movie Night 4 p.m. Yoga 7 p.m. Square Dancing Wellness Clinic 4 p.m. Art Class National Day of **r** 29 3 4 Prayer 9:30 a.m. Geri-Fit 9 a.m. Card Players 9 a.m. Wellness 10:30 a.m. Chair Yoga 9:30 a.m. Cribbage Wednesday at St. Michaels 3 p.m. QiGong 10 a.m. Movement 12:30 p.m. Games 2 p.m. Circle Talk & Exercise 3 p.m. QiGong 12 p.m. Yampa 12 p.m. Yampa Valley Sewing Guild 7 p.m. Square Dancing at Downtown Books 4 p.m. Art Class 5 8 10 11 9:30 a.m. Geri-Fit 9 a.m. Card Players 9 a.m. Wellness 10:30 a.m. Chair Yoga 9:30 a.m. Cribbage 12 p.m. Birthday Potluck Wednesday at St. l p.m. Rock Club CSU Cooking Class 10 a.m. Movement Michaels 3 p.m. QiGong 11am-1 pm & Exercise 2 p.m. Circle Talk 4 p.m. Art Class 12:30 p.m. Games 3 p.m. Movie Night 3 p.m. QiGong 4 p.m. Yoga 13 17 Armed Forces Day 12 14 15 7 p.m. Square D | 16 Mother's Day 9:30 a.m. Geri-Fit 9 a.m. Card Players 9 a.m. Wellness 10:30 a.m. Chair Yoga 9:30 a.m. Cribbage Wednesday at St. 10 a.m. Movement 3 p.m. QiGong 12:30 p.m. Games 12 p.m. Lunch & Learn Michaels 3 p.m. QiGong & Exercise 2 p.m. Circle Talk 4 p.m. Art Class 4 p.m. Yoga 7 p.m. Square Dancing 21 19 20 22 23 24 25 10:30 a.m. Chair Yoga 9:30 a.m. Cribbage 9 a.m. Card Players 9 a.m. Wellness Wednesday at St. 12:30 p.m. Games 10 a.m. Movement 2 p.m. Circle Talk Michaels 3 p.m. QiGong & Exercise SSC CLOSED 4 p.m. Yoga 4 p.m. Art Class 7 p.m. Square Dancing Memorial Day 27 28 29 31 26 30