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Thank you to all of those who could attend and the presenters who provided us with some additional great resources. January was a very exciting meeting filled with lots of great information and new tools found at our fingertips. I debuted the new JCF website and shared our 2018 goals. I am excited to start this adventure with all of you. Together, I know we can make 2018 great!

I want to encourage all of you to continue to introduce members that you feel would be a good fit for Joining Community Forces. Please keep in mind “low cost or no cost” as you meet future partners in the community. One of our 2018 goals is to grow the partnership by 30%, and after thinking about that, I want to **grow JCF by 40%**! This is a large undertaking but I do believe that we can do it together as a team!

Another goal for 2018 is to **increase awareness of the JCF website**. As you are networking with both providers and Service Members, please share the website with them: www.coloradojcf.org. Additionally, as you work with the website and think of something that would be beneficial or helpful to include, please let me know. I can't promise the world but I can promise to ask! Also, the marketing team is **creating a JCF Resource Guide** that we plan to publish by our April meeting. We need your help! If you have not yet had an opportunity to fill out the organizational information form, please do so. If you fill out and submit this quick form, we can add your information into the 2018 Resource Guide. We want to make this guide as comprehensive as possible.

We have put together the 2018 calendar for you; please save those dates and times. We have postponed our networking meetings for 2018 while we conduct market research. We are trying to grow and expand into communities that we have not yet explored. We ask for your patience while we do so, and I will be sure to share results as we receive them.

As a friendly reminder, send either me, Laine (laine.a.dennison.ctr@mail.mil), or Denise (denise.r.harris10.ctr@mail.mil) your flyers and brochures for upcoming events. We will be sure to distribute that information out to everyone and publish it on the website and social media. I like to always say, this is YOUR program, and I want to make this what YOU want it to be! I am looking forward to 2018 and what it has in store for us.

Sincerely,
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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Quarterly JCF Meeting
 Wednesday, April 18, 2018
 Holiday Inn Express-Castle Rock
 610 Genoa Way
 Castle Rock, CO 80109
 303-668-0888
All meetings are currently scheduled from 9am-12pm.

JANUARY'S PRESENTATION HIGHLIGHTS

QUALITY OF LIFE PLUS

Quality of Life Plus (QL+) harnesses the creativity and engineering skills of students and faculty at nationally renowned technical engineering programs to develop innovative technologies to help our nation's wounded warriors live, work, and play. QL+ accepts challenges from wounded Active duty and Veteran military

members and works to find solutions, building assistive devices and developing strategies to improve quality of life.

To continue in this effort, QL+ needs the following assistance from the community:

- Your challengers and challenges
- Increased awareness and promotion
- Donor sources/grants

MISSION

"The QL+ Mission is to foster and generate innovations that aid and improve the quality of life for those injured in the line of duty."

- Jon Monett, Founder

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RIVER DEEP ALLIANCE

Six local non-profits have collaborated to create the River Deep Alliance. Together, they are assisting individuals with disabilities who need healing and support from physical, psychological, or emotional trauma. The ultimate goal is to re-acclimate, re-engage, and re-engage their clients while improving outlook and quality of life.

OUTINGS FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

"If you're in a crisis and you have a family, they're in a crisis."



To do this, the River Deep Alliance believes that the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors or other engaging group activities can have a therapeutic effect, greatly improving one's outlook on life. Many recreational activities are available:

- Fishing/fly fishing
- Camping
- Hunting
- Photography

ALLIANCE OF NON-PROFITS

Anglers of Honor

Craig Hospital

Operation TBI Freedom

SCI HOP

Task Force: ISO

Victory Service Dogs

River Deep Alliance serves those who have suffered from a Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), Spinal Cord Injury, PTSD or other trauma spectrum disorders, or other severe physical disabilities. Services are also beneficial for those struggling with these concerns:

- Depression
- Anxiety
- Hopelessness, lack of purpose
- Suicidal thoughts/feelings
- Difficulty obtaining/maintaining employment
- Difficulty maintain or creating family/personal relationships

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VALOR BRIDGE—POST-MILITARY LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Valor Bridge provides education and curriculum focused on transitional skills, including resources, networking opportunities, and a partnership of coaching and learning. This training includes 15 courses taught by national professionals over ten weeks. Participants are also paired with an executive-level mentor who provides one-on-one support.

These classes are a vital part of the curriculum:

MISSION

To honor our Veterans through a continuous program of education, community, and mentorship that develops motivated individuals into long-lasting, impactful, and significant leaders in the private sector.

- Getting Uncomfortable
- Translating Military Skills
- Identifying Strengths
- Personal Branding

- Resumes
- Dress for Success
- Networking
- Salary Negotiation
- CEO Roundtable

WWW.VALORBRIDGE.ORG

Benefits of the program's integrative approach include C Level Access to business professionals/organizations, an established professional network, assistance with community outreach, and ongoing support.

Interested in getting involved?

- Apply for a fellowship
- Attend the CEO Roundtable
- Join the network
- Become a mentor
- Become a donor

SOBRIETY HOUSE

Sobriety House offers affordable, 12-step based treatments to adults 18 years of age and older for drug and alcohol addictions. Although the facility frequently experiences a waiting list, priority is given to pregnant women, IV drug users, women with dependent children, and Veterans.

For Veterans, the Sobriety House is currently offering a grant to cover the expense. Without the grant, the prices vary for each program:

- Phase I (Intensive Residential Treatment) \$5280 all-inclusive, 28 days maximum*
- Phase II (Transitional Residential Treatment) \$2000 for 30 days, 180 days maximum*
- Outpatient/Intensive Outpatient—\$75/session

- Sober Living at the Gaylord Apartments—\$750/month
- * Medicaid does not currently pay for residential treatment. Only outpatient services can be paid by Medicaid.

Sobriety House can offer services to anyone from anywhere (no residency requirement) if they can pay for services themselves or have family or friends assist with payment out-of-pocket.

They also offer services to low-income clients with state funding, if they qualify and if they live in the following catchment counties: Clear Creek, Gilpin,

MISSION

Sobriety House, Inc. is a nonprofit drug and alcohol treatment center dedicated to offering affordable, effective services with an extensive continuum of care to support clients in lifelong recovery.

Adams, Jefferson, Denver, Arapahoe, Douglas, or Broomfield.

Some clients are directed through judicial districts, the Department of Human Services (Denver, Arapahoe, and Jefferson Counties), or a contract with Kaiser Permanente.

Intake Process

1. 15 minute pre-screen with Coordinator
2. Intake Assessment with Counselor
3. Determine level of care, complete forms, orientation, check-in, and move-in
4. Begin Group Sessions

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QUARTERLY MEETING SCHEDULE 2018**

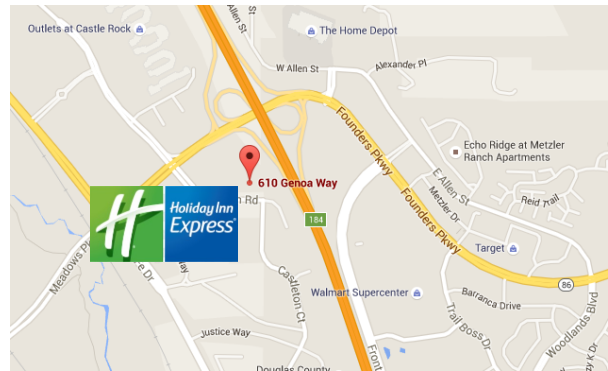
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April 18, 2018

July 18, 2018

October 17, 2018

**All quarterly JCF meetings are currently held at the
Holiday Inn Express—Castle Rock: 610 Genoa Way, 80109.**



JCF RESOURCE GUIDE

SUBMIT YOUR FORM BY FEBRUARY 1 TO BE INCLUDED!

Interested in your organization being included in the 2018 JCF Resource Guide—a directory of contact information for our current JCF Partners? Be sure to complete an organizational information form.

Haven't received the form via email? Reach out to Suzanne Buemi at suzanne.m.buemi.ctr@mail.mil.

VISIT THE JCF WEBSITE

<http://coloradojcf.org>

Interested in presenting your organization to JCF?

Slots are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Contact **Suzanne Buemi** by **March 15** to present at our April meeting.

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