

November Ballot Measure 1 a

We need your support so we can improve your Nature Center!

The Nature and Raptor Center of Pueblo is working in cooperation with 5 other non-profits as part of the 1/2 cent sales tax issue

Pueblo Animal Services
Pueblo Zoo
Colorado State Fair
Arts Center
HARP



The estimated income from the issue to the Nature and Raptor Center of Pueblo would be \$450,000 per year for the five years of the issue. \$100,000 of the funding would go to general operations per year, and \$350,000 of the funding per year is to go to improvements and new projects!

The Nature Center has approved the following projects from the proceeds

- Build the Arkansas River Interpretive Center to replace the building destroyed by arson in 2007
- Improve the Raptor Center building, which was condemned for public use in 2007, to allow public access.
- Improved entrance, trail-side interpretive displays, and landscaping.

The Impact of this measure passing for the Nature and Raptor Center is very significant

- ✧ Without this measure, services would be cut and some of the organizations might not be able to continue operating.
- ✧ Visitors to Pueblo from around the country, attracted by these tourist sites will spend their money and pay the tax.
- ✧ Most necessities are exempt from the sales tax: Groceries, Medical supplies, Drugs, Dental appliances, Eyeglasses, Oxygen, Hearing aids, Livestock feed, Gasoline.
- ✧ These facilities are assets to our economic development efforts and make our community more attractive to businesses considering relocation.
- ✧ Other nonprofits will benefit, as these six will no longer receive CSAC funds or other general revenue funds from the City or County, increasing available CSAC revenues for other nonprofits.

THANK YOU for your support of a bright future for the Nature and Raptor Center of Pueblo. Future generations of area citizens can reflect on your positive vision for environmental education programs that help connect people of all ages with nature and a remarkable raptor rehabilitation center that provides wild birds of prey with a second chance at life.