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From: Colorado Kids Ranch <Hello@coloradokidsranch.com>
Sent: Monday, September 4, 2023 1:13 PM
To: Ruiz, Nina
Subject: Fwd: Support of Colorado Kid's Ranch
Attachments: Amelia Ashby letter to County Commissioners.pdf; Marcus Ashby Letter to County Commissioners.pdf; Nicolas Ashby letter to County Commissioners.pdf



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From: Geoff Ashby <gma15174@gmail.com>
Date: Sun, Sep 3, 2023 at 6:55 PM
Subject: Re: Support of Colorado Kid's Ranch
To: <HollyWilliams@elpasoco.com>, <camibremer@elpasoco.com>, <LonginosGonzalezJr@elpasoco.com>, <stanvanderwerf@elpasoco.com>, <CarrieGeitner@elpasoco.com>

El Paso County Commissioners,

My Family is writing in Support of our neighbors at the Colorado Kid's Ranch. The family oriented activities at Colorado Kid's Ranch have supported my children's learning, encouraged community development and have provided unique opportunities for family activities not found anywhere else.

Our family enjoys the Annual Pumpkin Patch Festival on the property. (I have yet to tell the kid's that the pumpkins don't really grow there) The kids have enjoyed the Hay Rides, Petting Zoo and Maze that are set up in the fields.

My family has cherished the opportunity to embrace local farming and explore animal care. Colorado Kid's Ranch provides a rich and safe environment provided at Farm Camp. My daughter strives to be a veterinarian someday and has the opportunity to feed and care for horses, donkeys, llamas, pigs and a variety of fowl maintained on the property. My sons have collected eggs, brushed the goats, and even worked on picking up droppings to help ensure a clean and safe environment for the animals. These life and care experiences are not duplicated in other environments and are critical to raising balanced children.

The experiences at the Colorado Kid's Ranch are meaningful, and they are fun! I can proudly attest. However, I want you to hear from the real benefactors of the Colorado Kid's Ranch, the children. I have enclosed letters of support for

Colorado Kid's Ranch from each of my three kids. Their voices are clear and uniform in their support of Colorado Kid's Ranch!

Thanks for your time in this matter,
Geoff and Samantha Ashby
Monument Community Members

To: Monument Community Leaders

From: Amelia Ashby
Prairie Winds Elementary School
6th Grade

Dear Monument Community Leaders,

My name is Amelia Ashby and I support the Colorado Kid's Ranch. I don't think that they should stop hosting the Annual Pumpkin Patch Festival or any of the other valuable activities they provide. I love going to the Pumpkin Patch Festival and so do many other people.

I enjoy going to the ranch for horse riding lessons and I participate in Farm Camp. One of the things I've learned is how to not scare the cows but at the same time not get trampled. Above everything, my favorite thing is the Pumpkin Patch Festival. Also, I think this is a great learning opportunity and fun for many kids.

I believe that Colorado Kid's Ranch is an important part of our Community. Please let Colorado Kid's Ranch stay!

Sincerely,

Amelia Ashby

To: Meel From: Marcus 'prairie winds' Elementary School
3th grade

Monument Colorado Community Leaders,

1. I am writing about
Colorado Kid's Ranch. It is

2. a great place to go.
I go to the farm

I do farm camp,
3. and the pumpkin patch.

At the Colorado Kid's Ranch,
they have lots of
activities

Sincerely,
Marcus
Ashby

To: Monument + Indiananarity leaders
From: Nicolas Ashby Prairie Wilds
Elementary Scholl 5th grade

Manuichit Community, Iowa

Hello my name is Nicolas
Ashby. I'm writing this letter
to tell you why Colorado Kid's
Ranch needs to stay!

One of the activities I
really enjoy at Colorado Kid's
Ranch is Farmcamp. I like learning
about farm animals and how
to take care of them. Another
fun event that I enjoy is
the Pumpkin Patch. The Pumpkin
is a time where there are
activities that everyone can enjoy.

I like the Colorado Kid's
Ranch because of all the good
I like the Colorado Kid's Ranch
Ranch because of all of the

good family activities. I think
that Colorado Kids Ranch should stay.

- Sincerely
Nicolias Ashby