Did You Know?
Grandparents may be raising their grandchildren as the children’s parents struggle with substance abuse, mental illness, incarceration, economic hardship, divorce, domestic violence, other challenges and even death. These caregivers provide a vital safety net to children inside and outside of the foster care system.

- According to a Pew Research Center study, 1 in 10 children are being raised by their grandparents
- The 2009 Census Bureau estimates that approximately 81,255 grandchildren in Colorado are living with grandparents
- The 2009 Census Bureau estimates that approximately 6,538 grandchildren in Weld County live with their grandparents
- The Census Bureau indicates that grandparent-headed families represent all socioeconomic levels and ethnic groups

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren
Task Force Mission:
Agencies networking together in an effort to reach grandparents in the community. The Task Force provides support and tools to meet their needs in raising their grandchildren and improve quality of life.

The Task Force consists of grandparents, non-profit and government agencies

For more information on the services offered by this program contact:

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EDUCATION & RESOURCES

Packets are mailed out upon request with Grandparents Raising Grandchildren program information and other available resources related to care giving such as:

- United Way
- Weld County Kinship
- Weld County Department of Human Services
- Medicaid providers
- Catholic Charities
- Legal services, and many more

Educational workshops are offered to provide the following:

- An opportunity to meet and socialize with other grandparents
- Community agency resource information
- Presentations covering a variety of topics relating to parenting the “second time around”
- Refreshments and giveaways

SUPPORT GROUPS

Support groups allow grandparents and kin to share the difficulties and rewards in raising children and give encouragement to one another. Speakers are often scheduled to share information about their agencies and available programs.

Coffee Group Greeley – Greeley, Colorado. 8:30 am on the third Thursday of each month at the First United Methodist Church, 917 10th Avenue in Greeley, Colorado. Continental breakfast provided.

- For more information, please call (970) 346-6952

Kinship Group Greeley - Greeley, Colorado. Grandparents/Kin and children are invited to attend the evening group meetings. Dinner and children’s activities are provided.

- For more information, please call (970) 353-6433

Compass, Circle of Grandparents - Greeley, Colorado. Grandparents/Kin are invited to attend evening support groups. Child care is available.

- For more information, please call (970) 304-6420 x2305

LEGAL INFORMATION

Legal nights and Call-A-Lawyer nights are available for grandparents who are in need of legal assistance on issues such as:

- child custody
- visitation issues
- temporary power of attorney
- adoption

Services are offered through Weld County Legal Services.

For more information, please call (970) 346-6952.