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**Pikes Peak United Way's 2-1-1 Team Providing Updates for Individuals Impacted by the Spring Fire**

**Colorado Springs, CO, July 5, 2018** – Pikes Peak United Way’s 2-1-1 team is providing updates for Costilla County individuals impacted by the Spring Fire and information for individuals who want to help the victims. Residents can call 2-1-1 for information about the Disaster Assistance Centers, how to get a Rapid Tag for re-entry, where to donate items, what items are needed, etc. We are also providing information regarding any upcoming community meetings. The Costilla County Spring Fire Relief and Recovery Assistance Guide can be found on the Pikes Peak United Way website [here](#) and will be updated on an ongoing basis.

2-1-1 is a free resource line that serves residents of 12 counties, helping those in need navigate the complex and ever-growing maze of health and human service providers in our community. At present, trained information specialists staff the hotline from 8am to 5pm Monday through Friday using a comprehensive database of thousands of resources. 2-1-1 is a valuable resource to people in times of crisis, including the Black Forest Fire and Waldo Canyon Fire; most recently offering referrals after the June hailstorm. Last year, Pikes Peak United Way 2-1-1 provided life changing information and referrals to thousands of individuals and families in crisis.

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**About Pikes Peak United Way**

Pikes Peak United Way works to advance the common good, creating opportunities for a better life for all by focusing on the three key quality of life building blocks - education, income and health. Pikes Peak United Way creates long-lasting community change by addressing the underlying causes that prevent progress in these areas. For more information about Pikes Peak United Way, please visit [ppunitedway.org](http://ppunitedway.org).