

## WE NEED YOUR DONATED ITEMS!

Our Thrift Store is bringing in more customers and that's a good thing because more dollars means we can serve more seniors in need. But we need more items donated!

You can help:

- When you are spring cleaning and organizing - **donate your gently used items to us**
- Please **like our social channels** and share our posts to help us get the word out
- Let your friends know that the Thrift Store is **open to everyone across all ages**



Shop. Donate. Repeat.  
[silverkey.org/thrift-store](http://silverkey.org/thrift-store)



Monday – Friday, 9 am – 4 pm  
Location: 1605 S. Murray Blvd.  
[silverkey.org/thrift-store](http://silverkey.org/thrift-store)  
[@silverkeyseniorservices](https://www.instagram.com/silverkeyseniorservices)

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Silver Key's vision: The value, worth and needs of all seniors are identified and honored.

### SILVER LINING ALLIANCE IS HERE!



The Silver Lining Alliance is a natural descriptor for our giving society: a relationship based on an affinity in interests, nature, and qualities for mutual benefit to our cherished seniors. Learn more: [silverkey.org/ways-to-give-silverliningalliance](http://silverkey.org/ways-to-give-silverliningalliance)



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### THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!



Janet and Mayor Suthers

We appreciate Mayor and Janet Suthers along with dozens of other volunteers who came to our campus to prepare and deliver meals during Community Champions Week that occurs every year during March for Meals.

Our Volunteer Impact Program (V.I.P.) focuses on new and innovative ways for people to engage at every age. This service emphasizes volunteer engagement opportunities, health and wellness, civic engagement and lifelong learning to develop skills, knowledge and participation leading to increased community, life satisfaction and well-being for senior veterans and aging adults.

For more information, visit [silverkey.org/vip](http://silverkey.org/vip) or contact 719-884-2300 | [info@silverkey.org](mailto:info@silverkey.org).

# FROM OUR CEO & PRESIDENT JASON DEABUENO



In 2019, Silver Key's board added the word 'HEALTHY' to the mission. Through that addition, the organization catapulted to being an integral part of the healthcare delivery system for seniors during COVID. We never closed during the pandemic. Our housing navigation services remained operating; transportation continued to link patients to dialysis; nutrition ensured that people sheltering-in-place had access to healthy, quality food; behavioral health addressed social isolation and loneliness; Five Wishes® services expanded; and the thrift store provided access to durable medical equipment.

During this changing landscape, an awareness of the importance of social determinates of health (SDOH) emerged. The top areas of focus for older adults in terms of SDOH are access to housing, food, financial resources, and transportation, as well as social connections- all play a critical role not only in better health outcomes, but also in improving overall well-being. These areas of SDOH align solidly to the mission of Silver Key.

My focus has been to lead changes within Silver Key to appreciate the importance of being part of the healthcare solution. I want to ensure that people know that Silver Key is available to ALL older adults regardless of location, income, or situation – people with resources have many of the same challenges as those who do not in terms of social determinants of health – the human condition exists, regardless.

At the recent State of City presented by the mayor, he asked for people in the health care system to please stand to be acknowledged. To my astonishment, the Silver Key staff and volunteers stood up with other health care representatives before I did. I was proud and overwhelmed that we had begun to establish our place in the tapestry of the health care community!

Being inspired and humbled by the staffs' and volunteers' bold statement to stand at the State of City, I have decided to host a presentation at the Silver Key Summit on Wednesday, June 15th in support of the Pikes Peak region senior community titled: *Stand Up for Senior Care!* I hope you'll join and stand with me at the Summit.

## JOIN US AT OUR SENIOR SUMMIT!

## THANK YOU SPONSORS!

Register for this Complimentary Event by Visiting Our Website. Pre-Registration is Required  
[silverkey.org/senior-summit](https://silverkey.org/senior-summit)  
719-884-2300



This Event is More Than an Expo- It's a Summit Experience!  
70+ Expo Vendors!

**What** Silver Key in partnership with the Pikes Peak Senior News, invites the community to join us on Wednesday, June 15th for a full day of festivities to support the Pikes Peak region senior community.

**When** Wednesday, June 15, 2022 | Summit 10:00am - 3:30pm  
Come-and-go as you please

**Where** The Antlers-Downtown | Complimentary Admission and Parking  
Registration Required at [silverkey.org/senior-summit](https://silverkey.org/senior-summit)

**Why** The purpose is to provide the region with a forum for seniors and their families to connect with area resources and learn and discuss common issues and seek solutions to challenges and changes that come with the universal life experience of aging.

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