

As we work toward our goal of becoming a best-in-class community resource and education center, we are keeping these benefits in sight.

These gains for our community are built into all the work we do and in how we build new program elements to better serve the community throughout Archuleta County and our region.

We work in collaboration with our sister organizations throughout Southwest Colorado Region 9. Our community partners include Social Services, San Juan Basin Health Department, Sheriff's Department and Town Police, Veteran's Assistance, and other San Juan Basin Area Agency on Aging Region 9 contractors.



## Benefits of a Best-In-Class Resource Center

### Community:

- Supports stakeholder goals for a healthy community
- Reduces costs for agencies by helping seniors remain independent longer
- Demonstrates shared values that help catalyze community revitalization
- Attracts seniors to the community in support of Chamber of Commerce goals
- Further supports tourism by providing a draw for seasonal residents

### Seniors & Families:

- Supports seniors in living healthy, vibrant and independent lives
- Supports families in remaining strong and connected
- Demonstrates family support, regardless of social status
- Offers opportunities for more multi-generational activities

### Youth:

- Demonstrates that all members of our community have an important place
- Provides more service learning and mentoring opportunities
- Family support and engagement can help to reduce high risk behaviors

### Center Resiliency:

- Demonstrates Pagosa's and Archuleta County's long-term commitments to excellence and collaboration
- Allows targeted program expansion aligned with best practices
- Social enterprise model that supports community while reducing costs
- Draws funding (e.g., collaborative farm-to-table efforts with local operations, provides onsite opportunities for senior support service collaborations)