



Community Service at The ROAD:

The ROAD is a free drop-in and resource center for youth ages 15-22 in Jefferson, Clear Creek and Gilpin Counties. It is modeled after the TIP model (Transition to Independence Process) as a prevention program.

The ROAD offers community service for youth as a way to engage in pro-social activities. The activities consist of: applying for jobs, creating a resume, learning about nutrition and healthcare, researching career pathways or higher education options, engaging in positive conversations with peers, and participating in behavioral health groups such as Healthy Relationships or BrainWise. Youth are required to ensure the referring agency (court, probation, diversion) will accept community service hours completed at The ROAD.

Community Service During COVID-19 Remote Services:

- The ROAD has temporarily transitioned to providing all services remotely to promote social distancing. All activities at The ROAD's Drop-In Center are now hosted virtually through group Zoom video chats.
 - Youth are still able to earn community service hours during this time by engaging in groups through Zoom.
 - Before youth are able to complete any hours, youth are required to attend a Community Service Orientation on Zoom. Orientation dates can be found on The ROAD's Calendar. To sign up for an orientation, youth must call or text one of the following ROAD staff members:
 - Elena – (720) 607-5782
 - Jackie – (720) 660-6495
 - To see step by step instructions on how to use Zoom, please visit our website at www.theroad4youth.org/click-for-zoom-info/.
 - All rules of The ROAD are still in effect during our virtual drop-in center.
 - Youth must be actively engaging through Zoom to earn community service hours.
 - Community service hours are granted based off of participation and engagement, not just attendance. If youth do not engage when they are present, hours will not be granted.
 - When signed on to Zoom, youth must be in a private location with their video on and showing their entire face.
 - **Youth may only complete a maximum of 20 hours of community service at The ROAD's virtual drop-in.**
 - **All youth will be required to complete at least half of their assigned community service hours in groups and half in assignments and/or individual appointments.**
 - This requirement is subject to change based on staff discretion.
 - To see the list of assignments that are available to choose from, visit www.theroad4youth.org/resources/educational-tasks-worksheet. (Only 2 of a youth's total assignments may be from the Art category)
 - To schedule an individual appointment, please email theroad@jcmh.org or call/text Elena or Jackie at the numbers provided above.
 - If youth need community service hours verified, 24 hour notice is required.
 - To request a formal community service verification letter, please email theroad@jcmh.org.
 - It is the responsibility of each youth to ensure that the court will accept hours through The ROAD.
- Disciplinary Rules:**
- If ROAD staff has to redirect a youth's behavior 3 times in 1 day, the youth will be asked to leave the virtual drop-in for the day.
 - If youth are asked to leave the virtual drop-in due to poor behavior on any occasion, the consequences will be:
 - **First Offense:** Youth will be asked to leave for the day.
 - **Second Offense:** Youth will be asked to leave for the day and will not be allowed to return for one week.
 - **Third Offense:** Youth will be asked to leave and will no longer be allowed to gain community service hours at The ROAD.
 - On any occasion that a youth is asked to leave, community service hours for that day will not be counted.
 - ROAD staff may contact youth's referring agency about any disciplinary issues.