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## "I DON'T MEAN TO COMPARE YOU TO AN EXTREMIST"

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO – "I don't mean to compare you to an extremist; but I see some similarities between your view that the LGBTQ movement in schools is trying to usurp parental rights and many extremist movements."

About one hour into an exhausting interview with Elle at CNN in early May, there it was...the ever nonsensical assertion by the progressive left that parents who want to direct the education and upbringing of their children are extremists. This is the harsh reality of 2023.

Children who attend school or use technology to any extent are subject to brutal indoctrination. As Thomas Sowell noted, "Education is not merely neglected in many of our schools today, but is replaced to a great extent by ideological indoctrination." Those who seek power over the general population know that it must be achieved through our children.

Generations of hungry leftists have been hard at work, while we conservative parents slept. They have been indoctrinating children for at least 30 years to believe that the government knows better than their parents, that traditional family values are dangerous and should be shelved for a more communist approach, and that we should always trust the government above all else.

Throughout that interview, Elle from CNN continued to ask me in no less than ten different ways, "why would the government want to indoctrinate children?" It's not an extremist contention that the state has forever sought to erode the relationship between a parent and her child, but this destruction of parental rights rea-

lly kicked up a notch during the COVID-19 scandal, a movement that also sought to give the government more control over our bodies and minds, including the minds and bodies of our children.

Thankfully, COVID-19 also woke up a lot of sleeping parents across the globe, as something clearly wasn't right with the agencies "in charge" of our daily rights. Something also "isn't quite right" with the teacher's unions, a major actor that pressed for continued shutdowns and mask mandates of the COVID-19 scandal.

COVID-19 mandates spurred the growth and activism of parents across the country who want to oversee their children's education and upbringing...a simple right protected by the Fourteenth Amendment and deeply rooted in our nation's history and traditions.

Today, Moms for Liberty, a national organization born in Florida to push back against unconstitutional COVID mandates, has

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EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH FORMER NAVY SEAL, NOW ELECTED OFFICIAL AND GUN RANGE OWNER, ZACH SWEARINGEN

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This interview was answered by Megan Swearingen, wife of Zach

PUEBLO, COLORADO--How long have you been in business? In this business? In other businesses?

Our family opened Republic Shooting Range in 2016. It was started by Zach, myself and my father-in-law Bob Swearingen as a family and veteran owned small business in the home town of both Zach and Bob. Since starting the business, we have brought in my brother-in-law Ben Miller into ownership as well. Zach, Bob and I have all had other careers before going into business together. This is all of our first experience with business ownership.

Since opening this business, Zach and

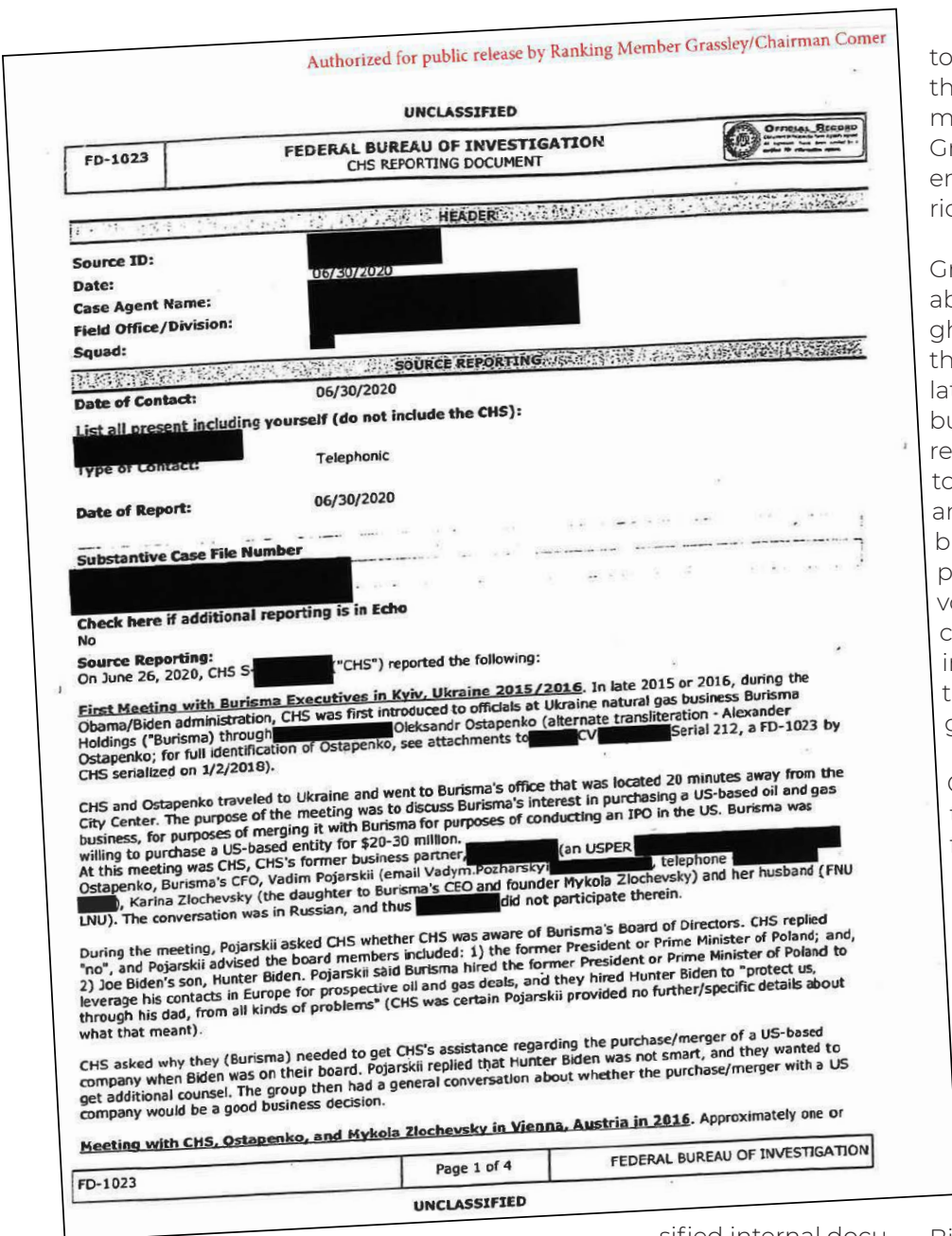
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# SENATOR GRASSLEY WHISTLEBLOWER SAYS THEY HIRED INFAMOUS HUNTER BIDEN FOR DAD'S PROTECTION

## Grassley, Comer Demand FBI Record Alleging Criminal Scheme Involving Then-VP Biden



to know if President Biden sold out the United States of America to make money for himself. Senator Grassley and I will seek the truth to ensure accountability for the American people," Comer said.

Grassley has long raised concerns about political bias infecting high-level investigative decisions at the FBI, including investigations related to the Biden family's foreign business arrangements and bank records. While FBI Director Christopher Wray pledged to prevent any retaliation targeting whistleblowers, the FBI and Justice Department have thus far refused to voluntarily provide responsive records or answers to congressional inquiries related to its handling of these politically sensitive investigations.

Comer and the Oversight Committee are investigating the Biden family's suspicious business schemes to determine if the Biden family has been targeted by foreign actors, if President Biden is compromised, and if there is a national security threat. The Oversight Committee has obtained thousands of pages of financial records related to the Biden family and their associates' business transactions. Recently, the Committee revealed one deal that resulted in several members of the Biden family and their companies

receiving over \$1 million in more than 15 incremental payments from a Chinese company through a third party.

The subpoena requires the FBI to produce in unredacted form all FD-1023s that contain the word "Biden" and all accompanying attachments and documents.

*All 4 pages available at [NatPostNews.com](http://NatPostNews.com)*

### Senator Grassley Demands Explanation Following Whistleblower's Claim of FBI Document Linking Biden to 'Criminal Scheme'

Senator Chuck Grassley, a Republican from Iowa, has demanded answers from the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) following claims made by a whistleblower. The whistleblower alleges that there is an FBI document describing a potential criminal scheme involving then-Vice President Joe Biden and a foreign national.

According to Grassley, the whistleblower's disclosure is credible and unclassified and raises concerns about possible criminal activities during Biden's tenure as vice president. To further investigate the matter, Rep. James Comer, a Republican from Kentucky and the House Oversight Committee Chairman,

WASHINGTON—Senate Budget Committee Ranking Member and long-time whistleblower advocate Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa) and House Committee on Oversight and Accountability Chairman James Comer (R-Ky.) today are demanding the FBI produce an unclassified record alleging a criminal scheme involving then-Vice President Joe Biden and a foreign national. The document, an FBI-generated FD-1023 form, allegedly details an arrangement involving an exchange of money for policy decisions. Comer issued a subpoena today following legally protected disclosures to Grassley's office.

"We believe the FBI possesses an unclas-

sified internal document that includes very serious and detailed allegations implicating the current President of the United States. What we don't know is what, if anything, the FBI has done to verify these claims or investigate further. The FBI's recent history of botching politically charged investigations demands close congressional oversight," Grassley said.

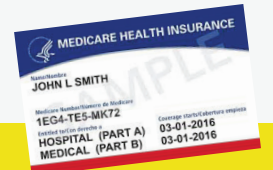
"The information provided by a whistleblower raises concerns that then-Vice President Biden allegedly engaged in a bribery scheme with a foreign national. The American people need

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issued a congressional subpoena seeking the specific FBI document in question. In a letter addressed to the DOJ and FBI, Grassley and Comer assert that there is an "unclassified FD-1023 form" detailing the alleged scheme, which supposedly involves exchanging money for policy decisions.

Grassley emphasized that his role as a government overseer compels him to ensure that the executive branch, including the DOJ and FBI, is conducting its duties appropriately. He stressed the importance of the agencies providing transparency to the American people about their actions regarding this document, including the steps taken to investigate its veracity and whether any political motivations influenced their actions.

The senator expressed hope that the FBI will cooperate with the investigation, believing that doing so would enhance the bureau's credibility. He also emphasized that transparency is crucial for the American people in understanding the situation.

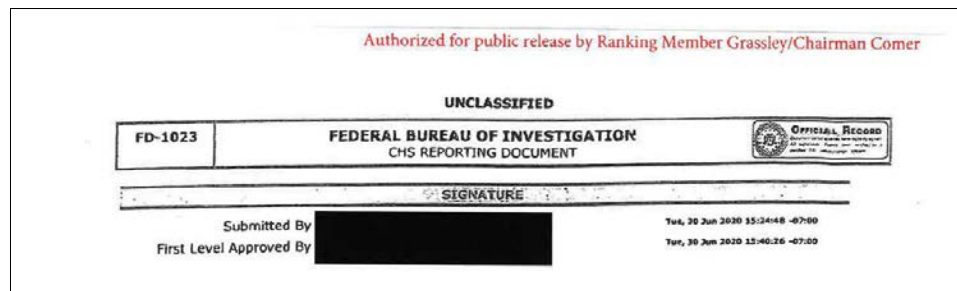
Grassley has been conducting an investigation into Hunter Biden's business dealings and any alleged involvement of his father, Joe Biden, in the Senate since 2019. The current whistleblower claims add another layer of complexity to the ongoing scrutiny of the Biden family's activities.

## Hunter Biden, Burisma, and Corruption

Excerpts from U.S. Senate Finance Report:

"In late 2013 and into 2014, mass protests erupted in Kyiv Ukraine demanding integration into western economies and an end to systemic corruption that had plagued the country. At least 82 people were killed during the protests which culminated on Feb. 21 when Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovich abdicated by fleeing the country. Less than two months later, over the span of only 28 days, significant events involving the Bidens unfolded.

On April 16, 2014, Vice President Biden met with his son's business partner, Devon Archer, at the White House. Five days later, Vice President Biden visited Ukraine, and he soon after was described in the press as the "public face of the administration's handling of Ukraine."



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# Hunter Biden's Grotesque Laptop Revealed

Excerpt from the 644-page "Marco Polo" Report on the incriminating Hunter Biden laptop:

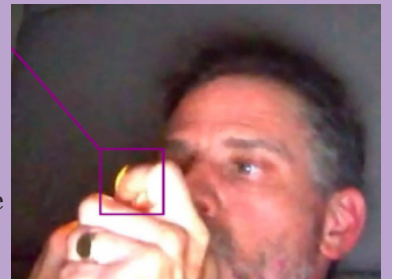
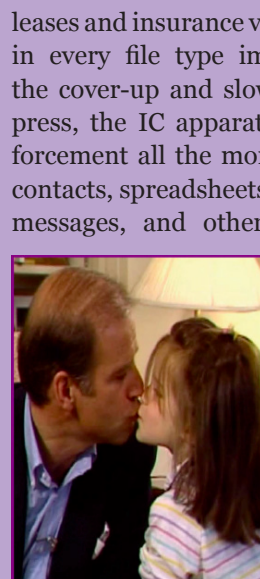
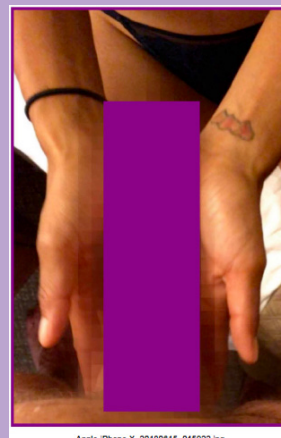
"Providing a true and thorough account of any topic or period is a difficult endeavor, but it is especially so when one is not afforded the luxury of declassified documents or the passage of time which seems to clear the air of any contemporary—often political—hurdles to the truth.

The volume of material on the Biden Laptop—from iPhone location data and internet browsing history to rental leases and insurance verification cards, in every file type imaginable—made the cover-up and slow-walk from the press, the IC apparatus, and law enforcement all the more enraging. The contacts, spreadsheets, photos, videos, messages, and other files (approximately 200 gigabytes) confirmed there was no plausible way the material was forged. Shortly after the corporate media's pre-election

cover-up was complete, liberal publications began allowing their writers to ask basic questions. For instance, Joe said that he had "never spoken" with Hunter about his businesses. Why, then, did Joe meet with Tony Bobulinski in the Beverly Hilton for nearly an hour on 05/02/2017?

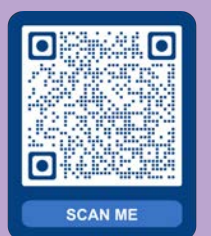
Instead of asking simple questions that would have revealed his complicity, mainstream reporters discount whistleblowers and ask softball questions, which allows Joe to easily avoid the issue.

In addition to his web of shady overseas business dealings, one of the most recurring and consistent themes in the abandoned laptop are homemade pornography, selfies in varying states of undress, drug use, and images he took of his manhood in various states of arousal..."



(Above left) According to her diary, Ashley's trauma was the result of being "molested." She ruminated at length: "...showers w/[ith] my dad [Joe] (probably not appropriate) ..."

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# Colorado GOP Civil War!

## New Party Leadership Inherits Financial Scandal

In the Colorado Republican leadership elections earlier this year, the establishment faced a reckoning. All over the state, America First patriots won county leadership roles, and the State GOP Chairman race resulted in grassroots favorite Dave Williams taking charge of the state party.

In another timeline, you could expect a peaceful transition of power from one leader of the party to another. We are talking about the leadership of a party, after all, a team with shared values and vision. But in this timeline, the Republican Party is engaged in a civil war.

When former Chairwoman Kristi Burton Brown left office, her administration claimed to have a surplus of more than one hundred thousand dollars. But according to Chair Williams, "The prior administration did not leave the Party over \$100,000 as they falsely claimed."

And they didn't just mislead party members about the surplus. According to the new GOP Leadership Team, they spitefully spent it during the "peaceful transition of power."

"They spent nearly all that was left in the coffers as the new leadership was transitioning into the role," Williams said, continuing, "while burdening the party with outstanding debts and unfunded obligations."

It sounds like sabotage, and the new GOP Chair is citing specifics:

"For example, thousands in bonuses were paid to former staff in December of 2022, after the Party suffered its most historic losses the month prior, and this occurred as the last administration knew they owed over \$9,000 to the office landlord."

Colorado Republicans squawked for more than a decade that the purpose of the party is to get Republicans elected. Under Brown's leadership, they spent those resources fighting America First in the primary rather than allowing voters to decide. And then, of course and without much effort since they'd done their hard work during the primary, they lost competitive seats in the general. That is, they failed to get Republicans elected.

After failing to achieve their fundraising targets, presiding over hemorrhaging party membership, and delivering abysmal midterm election results, party leadership gave themselves bonuses — instead of paying known debts.

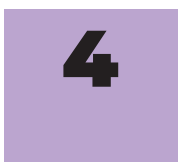
This isn't just spiteful. It's scandalous.

The Colorado Republican establishment — the likes of Brown's administration and Buck's before her, as well as their donors — are content being the minority party in the state. It is uniparty theater at its finest, half measures and fake compromises that benefit the ruling class at the expense of the people.

The people of Colorado — both those inside and outside of the Republican Party — are sick of all the communism. The people desire change. The party's new Republican leadership wants to be that change, but they've got an uphill battle encumbered by brand and trust problems.

Colorado Republicans have spent so much time finding common ground with communists that they've made themselves repulsive to voters. And they don't care. When they lose elections, they just toss up their hands and blame democrats. Then they pay themselves bonuses.


In February, grassroots Republicans flipped the uniparty's script by electing America First change makers into party leadership. The financial scandal that the new leadership team inherited is obviously punishment for par-



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ty members that dared to demand change.

Unfortunately for Colorado Republican Party members, there doesn't appear to be recourse for the KBB and team looting the party's resources like a mostly peaceful protest.

But unfortunately for the establishment, the new leadership of the party isn't focused on fighting a detached and divisive civil war. They're focused on the future. Chair Williams and his team want to be the change, and they appear unphased by the prior administration's sabotage.

"The new leadership team is making progress and rebuilding the Party from the ground up," Williams said. "We are treating the Party as a startup and making certain that any investment from donors is wisely spent instead of continuing to allow failed operators to enrich themselves with Party funds."

In a startup culture you perform or peace out, a refreshing concept for a failing organization propped up by bureaucracy and mediocrity. But streamlining funding alone won't rebuild public trust. For that, Williams and team need to prove to voters that the Republican Party is actually committed to a Republican form of government.



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## Angel Studios' SOUND OF FREEDOM Reaches \$100M Box Office Milestone

### Independent Film Continues to Dominate the Summer Box Office and Continues to Add Screens, Three Weeks After Release

Provo, UT – Angel Studios, the platform empowering filmmakers with full creative control to crowdfund and create, has reached a new theatrical milestone. Its independent summer hit, SOUND of FREEDOM, has now sold over 8.9 million tickets, and the film has now passed \$100M in box office revenue.

"SOUND of FREEDOM has become the people's movie. It was chosen by over 100,000 people in the Angel Guild, fueled by untold tens of thousands through our Pay it Forward program, and is dominating the box office as the result of a ground-up, grassroots movement of everyday people who are making this an historic success," said Jared Geesey,



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The Angel Guild is a community of over 100k people who are the most engaged in the Angel Studios' network. The Angel Guild votes on all eligible films submitted to Angel Studios. Filmmakers must pass the Angel Guild to be distributed by Angel Studios.

SOUND of FREEDOM continues to dominate the US box office. Demand has allowed the film's screen count to continue to increase, reaching a third week total of 3,287. Since the films' July 4 release, SOUND of FREEDOM has never left the top 3 positions on the charts and has

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totalled over \$100M

in domestic box office.

Starring Jim Caviezel (THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST, FREQUENCY, DEJA VU), Academy Award Winner Mira Sorvino (THE FINAL CUT, "Psych," AFTER EVER HAPPY), Bill Camp (12 YEARS A SLAVE, "The Queen's Gambit," JOKER), José Zúñiga (TWILIGHT, "Madam Secretary," "American Crime Story"), Eduardo Verástegui (UNPLANNED, SON OF GOD, PAUL BLART: MALL COP 2), who is also a producer, and written and directed by Alejandro Monteverde (Toronto winner "Bella" and "Little Boy").

SOUND OF FREEDOM, based on the incredible true story, shines a light on even the darkest of places. After rescuing a young boy from ruthless child traffickers, a federal agent learns the boy's sister is still captive and decides to embark on a dangerous mission to save her. With time running out, he quits his job and journeys deep into the Colombian jungle, putting his life on the line to free her from a fate worse than death.

**About Angel Studios:** Angel Studios is the home of stories that amplify light. Through its platform, tens of thousands of "Angel" investors choose which titles the studio will create, fund, and distribute. Angel Studios allows creators and audiences to form passionate communities around their creative projects, making the story behind the story as important as the final project itself. The studios' first projects—The Chosen and Dry Bar Comedy—have earned billions of views around the world. Learn more at [Angel.com](http://Angel.com)

## Record-Breaking Attendance at the LIV Golf Washington D.C. Tournament

The energy was palpable at Trump National Washington D.C. over Memorial Day Weekend with fans coming out in droves from Thursday through Sunday. The star-studded event broke records with Washington D.C. being the highest attended of any LIV Golf event in the United States. LIV Golf D.C. was the seventh event of the season and the second tournament in the Trump Golf calendar who will also host three additional tournaments in the next five months.

"I am incredibly proud of our team. Trump D.C. truly shined, everything about this event was flawless. The course was impeccable and the fans were amazing. We are truly honored to have been a part of this record-breaking event. We set the bar very high in Washington D.C and look forward to welcoming LIV Golf back to Trump National Bedminster and Trump National Doral in a few weeks," said Eric Trump.

This was the first time LIV Golf experienced Trump National Washington D.C. and it exceeded all expectations. The event kicked off on Thursday with a Pro-Am which included President Donald Trump and his son, Eric Trump, who played with Patrick Reed of the 4 Aces.

The conditions for all three days of the event could not have been better. The Championship Course at Trump National was built for world-class tournament golf and did not disappoint. The feedback from players and fans was

outstanding!

Bryson DeChambeau visited the media center and shared the following remarks, "It's a great golf course. It's a long golf course, right on the water. It's pretty special. You get some wind. Those holes around the water are very difficult. I think it's 11 this week, they're playing the right green, which is diabolical, so I'm looking forward to seeing how people are going to play that. But it's a very, very beautiful, esthetically beautiful golf course."

Charles Howell III also had this to say about Trump National Washington D.C. previewing the days ahead, "The course is fantastic. The condition of it couldn't be better. It's incredible, with the views of the Potomac and whatnot. But like Bryson said, it's going to be a heck of a test. Some of the easy holes are fairly easy, and some of the hard holes are really hard. That's kind of what you want in a tournament golf course for scoring disparity, and it should be a good week."

After three days of watching the best in the world battle it out, it was Harold Varner III of the Range Goats GC that brought home the win with a final birdie. A win made even more special for Varner as this was his first win on American soil—to top it off, in front of the largest crowd to attend a LIV Golf Tournament in the US. Torque GC claimed the Team Title for the second time this season beating the South African Stinger GC by three shots with the Range Goats taking third. Congratulations to Harold Varner III and Team Torque GC!

As LIV Golf continues their worldwide tour, Trump Golf looks forward to welcoming LIV Golf back to Trump National Bedminster on August 11th - 13th and to Trump National Doral on October 20th - 22nd.



# INNOVATION:

## AMAZON Introduces Palm-Based Payments at Whole Foods



UNITED STATES--In a move towards a more convenient and futuristic shopping experience, Amazon is set to roll out its One palm recognition technology to all Whole Foods Market stores in the US by the end of this year. This innovative payment method allows customers to simply hover their palm over a reader to complete their purchases or take advantage of their Prime perks without the need to pull out their phone or wallet, as long as they have already signed up online.

Having already been introduced in more than 200 stores across states like California, New York, and Texas, this expansion will bring the technology to over 500 additional shops. Additionally, Amazon One is also available in select third-party locations, such as allowing visitors to purchase beer at the Colorado Rockies' stadium or enjoy breakfast at a Panera cafe.

The distinguishing feature of the palm recognition system lies in its advantage over traditional tap-to-pay and other contactless payment methods, which still require the use of physical items. Even Amazon's computer vision-based Just Walk Out technology, which eliminates the need for checkouts, relies on cameras and sensors rather than palm recognition. The added benefit of the palm recognition system is that it looks at both the palm and veins, creating a unique vector "signature" that is believed to be impossible to replicate, making it a more secure option.

Despite the touted advantages, the technology has faced criticism from activists who raise concerns about privacy and human rights. Calls have been made for music venues and other establishments to drop Amazon One due to fears that the data collected through this system could be misused or exploited. Amazon claims to provide secure cloud storage for palm signatures and incorporates anti-tampering protections, but opponents worry that governments might use the data for surveillance purposes, potentially impacting protesters and marginalized communities negatively. Furthermore, skeptics are apprehensive about potential data breaches and misuse by hackers.

In addition to activist

opposition, Amazon is currently embroiled in a legal battle over its practices. A proposed class-action lawsuit accuses the company of violating New York City law by not adequately informing Go store shoppers that biometric data, including palm prints, was being collected. Amazon contends that One users explicitly consent to data collection, but it remains uncertain whether this consent is sufficient to comply with the relevant legislation.

As Amazon pushes forward with the nationwide rollout of its One palm recognition technology, the company will undoubtedly face increasing scrutiny over the privacy

and security aspects of the system. Balancing the convenience and potential benefits for businesses with

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the protection of individuals' rights and data will be a critical challenge for the company in the coming months and years.



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**Amazon One Set to Reach Every US Whole Foods Store by Year's End**



# TECHNOLOGY:

## PORSHE MISSION X: YET ANOTHER DREAM TAKES SHAPE

### INNOVATIVE GLIMPSE INTO THE FUTURE.

The Mission X represents the pinnacle of performance and modern luxury. At the same time, its sculpted form and muscular lines demonstrate that hypercars don't have to look aggressive. The concept study evokes legendary racing cars from different eras of the brand's history and propels them into the future. While Mission E showed the future of electromobility and Mission R the future of customer sport, Mission X is the vision for the next big step: experimental, exciting and extreme.

GERMANY--Porsche has recently introduced its latest visionary concept car, the Mission X, offering a tantalizing glimpse into the future of sports vehicles. Positioned as an electric hypercar, this cutting-edge model draws inspiration from the timeless design elements of Porsche's iconic predecessors, such as the 959, Carrera GT, and 918 Spyder. With its sleek and compact proportions, measuring 177 inches in length, 78.7 inches in width, and 47.2 inches in height, the Mission X exudes a low-slung and dynamic stance.

The exterior of the Mission X boasts a striking "Rocket Metallic" finish, while a notable feature is the extensive use of lightweight materials, including a glass dome integrated with a carbon fiber reinforced plastic exoskeleton. Emulating the style of Le Mans sports cars, the passenger doors adopt a unique upward and forward-opening configuration. Stepping inside, occupants will discover a luxurious interior showcasing a harmonious blend of leather and carbon fiber reinforced plastic materials. The open-top steering wheel enhances the sense of connection to the driving experience, while the instrument panel incorporates a range of cameras and clocks, enabling the display of crucial driver information like lap times and vital statistics.

Porsche has implemented a clever design choice for the Mission X by equipping it with staggered tires—

20-inch wheels at the front and slightly larger 21-inch wheels at the rear. This deliberate configuration enhances the vehi-



cle's aerodynamics, contributing to its overall performance. In the pursuit of pushing boundaries, should the Mission X transition from concept to production, Porsche aims to establish it as the fastest road-legal car to conquer the renowned Nürburgring Nordschleife circuit in Germany.

The Mission X's battery pack will be strategically positioned at the center, behind the seats, ensuring optimal weight distribution and enhancing the car's handling capabilities. Notably, Porsche has engineered the vehicle with a groundbreaking 900-volt system architecture, enabling significantly faster charging times compared to the acclaimed Taycan Turbo S. With this innovative system, the Mission X can charge at double the speed, exemplifying Porsche's commitment to advancing electric vehicle technology.

While the Mission X remains a concept for the time being, with no concrete plans for commercial availability, Porsche enthusiasts can explore an array of captivating images of the vehicle on Porsche's dedicated Mission X portal. These visuals provide a closer look at the car's breathtaking design and serve as a testament to Porsche's imaginative approach in shaping the future of sports cars.

Porsche's Mission X concept represents a paradigm shift in automotive design, combining aerodynamic excellence, cutting-edge technology, and electric performance. While

the production prospects of the Mission X remain uncertain, the concept encapsulates Porsche's unwavering commitment

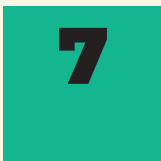
to pushing the limits of innovation and captivating the imagination of automotive enthusiasts worldwide.

"The Porsche Mission X is

a technology beacon for the sports car of the future. It picks up the torch of iconic sports cars of decades past: like the 959, the Carrera GT and the 918 Spyder before it, the Mission X provides critical impetus

for the evolutionary development of future vehicle concepts," says Oliver Blume, Chairman of the Executive Board of Porsche AG. "Daring to dream and dream cars are two sides of the same coin for us: Porsche has only remained Porsche by constantly changing."

Michael Mauer, Head of Style Porsche, says: "The Mission X is a clear commitment to the core of the brand. The continuing, enhanced expression of our brand and product identity is an important compass for us to navigate the development of our series-production models. The concept study symbolises a symbiosis of unmistakable motorsport DNA with an overall sense of luxury."



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# We've Seen This One Before

Yogi Berra said so many fun things. This market and economy reminds me of when he said, "It's déjà vu, all over again." Or like Michael J. Fox said in the "Back to the Future" movie: "Hey, I've seen this one before." This past three years, and more recently, remind me of so many different times and different economic calamities.

## WHAT IS NOT BEING REPEATED?

We have stagflation from the 1970s; a similar long recession like the 1980s; a banking crisis like the 1990s; and maybe a multiyear market drop like the 2000s. I've probably missed something, too.

Our stagflation is significant and, I think, much worse than in the 1970s. We printed up 40% of our money supply during the pandemic, to the tune of almost \$6 trillion dollars. Six. Trillion. Dollars. Forty percent extra money supply. It's like the 1970s weren't even trying!

This massive, massive money printing is, arguably, hiding any economic sins. Whether it's corporate earnings, personal earnings, or U.S. GDP. It's simply funny money and hiding organic results (or lack of results).

The 1980's back-to-back recessions resulted in what felt like one long and shallow decline but were two different drops in the economy. We're currently experiencing an ***inflation-adjusted*** recession plus a recent "textbook" recession of two quarters of GDP dropping. The S&L crisis was actually in ***both*** the '80s and '90s. The multiyear drop is just my prediction. I do ***not*** want it to happen. But last year was down and our economy could hurt the markets this year. Let's hope the market proves me wrong.

Some of the good news is that what we're experiencing is mostly very light in comparison to those tougher, earlier times. For example, in the S&L Crisis almost a third of the associations failed—over 1,000. ***The drop of the U.S. markets lasted for three straight years from 2000 to 2002. We may not even notch two years... we'll see.***

## SOME SILVER LININGS

There are spots of strength. In many emerging markets they have good news. It's a mixed bag with some areas like China or Vietnam but Singapore's private sector growth was up a lot. Brazil, with lower inflation than the U.S., at 4.65% annually, is experiencing a stronger market. India's services sector is growing at it's fastest in about thirteen years ***and*** their stock market is at an almost thirteen year high. There are other examples, too.

I've recommended and tiptoed into emerging market funds in a very small way. There are a few funds very cheaply priced and paying very high dividends—producing for us while we wait.

In general, though, most countries are pretty weak and are also raising interest rates to control this global inflation. What seems like an economic miracle, especially in the U.S., is that stock markets are so darned strong. I'm convinced it's just that "funny money" (and the blissful ignorance of rampant money-printing).

## BE NIMBLE

There's a few things to consider doing in these times. I'm recommending to clients to:

1. Sell gains
2. Underweight growth stocks/funds
3. Overweight value stocks/funds
4. Invest in short-term treasury-bills, which helps to
5. Be nimble by holding cash or "near-cash"
6. Reallocate parts of portfolios for a new bull (after a possible drop) and
7. Buy selective bargains, which seem to be increasing by the day

Here's one more from Yogi: "When you come to a fork in the road, take it."

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SCAN ME

# The Child Tax Credit

If you're like me and have kids, you're probably looking for any way to save money you can. And if you think back to 2021 when the Fed was mailing stimulus checks and offering tax credits, you probably had some extra cash in your hands thanks to the modified child tax credit (CTC). But now that we've made it through the pandemic, those modifications have expired. Let's talk about what happened with the child tax credit over the past few years and what you need to know for 2022 and beyond.

But first, what's a child tax credit, and do you qualify? Let's get into it.

## What Is the Child Tax Credit?

The child tax credit lowers your tax bill based on how many children you have. Basically, it's a tax break for parents. (And let's be real, we could all use a break. Right, Mom and Dad?)

The government created this tax credit to help with the costs of raising kids—because raising kids isn't cheap!

## What Is the 2022 Child Tax Credit Amount?

For 2022, you can get a maximum tax credit of \$2,000 for each qualifying child under age 17—although there is an income limit of \$400,000 for married couples and \$200,000 for individuals.<sup>1</sup>

Now, there are two types of tax credits: refundable and nonrefundable. Both types lower your tax bill. But if a refundable credit is more than your total tax bill, you get whatever is left over back as a refund—even if your tax bill is zero!

That's important to know because the child tax credit is (drum roll, please . . .) a refundable tax credit. Woo-hoo! But the IRS does limit how much of a refund you can get back for each qualifying child, with the maximum being \$1,500. This is the partially refundable portion of the additional child tax credit (ACTC).<sup>2</sup> But hey, that's still an amazing deal for you.

You might be wondering, Wait a minute . . . wasn't the child tax credit way higher last year? What gives? Well, most of the changes in the American Rescue Plan—including the increase of the child tax credit to \$3,000 for children ages 6–17 and \$3,600 for children under age 6—have gone away.<sup>3</sup> The goal of those increases was to give parents a little breathing room during the pandemic—and now we're back to business as usual.

## Who Is Eligible for the Child Tax Credit?

Does your family qualify for the child tax credit? You and your dependent need to meet a few requirements to be eligible. Here's what you need to know:

1. The child must be under age 17 at the end of the year.
2. The child must be related to you in one of the following ways: your son, daughter, eligible foster child, adopted child, stepchild, brother, sister, stepsibling, half sibling, or a descendent of one of these (like a niece or nephew).
3. The child must be a U.S. citizen, a U.S. national or a U.S. resident alien.
4. The child has to be claimed as a dependent on your tax return. So, if you share custody of your children, the child tax credit will go to the parent who's claiming the kids for the 2022 tax year. You can't both claim the same child. And if you do, you might have to pay a penalty to Uncle Sam and could even be banned from claiming the CTC again at all.<sup>5</sup> That

could be a costly mistake, so make sure you have everything figured out between the two of you.

5. The child can't file a joint return for the same tax year. But they can file a return to claim a refund of their withheld income taxes or estimated taxes paid.

6. The child must have lived with you for more than half the year.

7. The child must have provided no more than half of their own financial support during the year. For example, let's say your teen made money with a summer job. They'll only qualify if they made less than half of what their needs cost.

These are the CTC qualifications for your child, but here's the deal with income requirements: If your income is \$200,000 or less (\$400,000 or less if you're married filing jointly), then you qualify for the full amount. Anything above those thresholds and the credit amount starts phasing out.<sup>6</sup>

## How Does the Child Tax Credit Work?

Tax credits—like the child tax credit—are awesome because they cut your tax bill dollar for dollar. (In case you're wondering, a tax deduction also lowers your tax bill by lowering your taxable income.)

If you're married and filing jointly with a household income of \$100,000, that means you owe about \$13,200 in taxes this year. But let's say you're like me and you have three kids who are all under 17—how would the CTC affect your tax bill?

Since your income is under the \$400,000 threshold for married filing jointly and each child qualifies, your child tax credit is \$6,000. That means you cut your tax bill almost in half—down to about \$7,200. It's that easy!

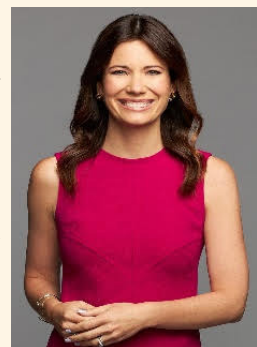
## How Do I Claim the Child Tax Credit?

If your child meets the qualifications I mentioned earlier, claiming this credit is a piece of cake. Just enter your children and other dependents on your Form 1040 or 1040-SR, then fill out and attach a Schedule 8812 (aka a Credits for Qualifying Children and Other Dependents form).

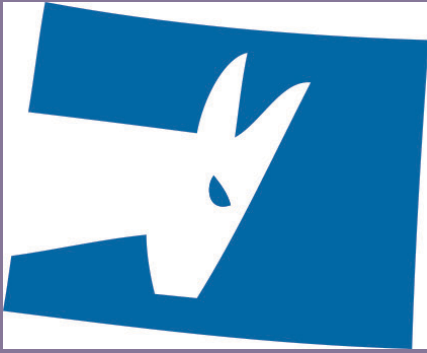
This Schedule 8812 form will help you calculate your CTC amount. And it'll also help you figure out if you'll get back any part of the credit as a refund. Remember, you could get a refund of up to \$1,500 per child with the child tax credit.<sup>7</sup> But here's the deal: A big refund like that isn't really a good thing. Because that's actually your money—the government is just giving it back to you after you loaned it to them all year.

Adjust your tax withholdings on your paycheck so you bring that money home instead of sending it to Uncle Sam. Then you can use it during the year for all those kid-related expenses you're juggling!

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# COLORADO DEMOCRATS

website: [ColoradoDems.org](http://ColoradoDems.org)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, August 1-20

*Editor's Note: Please check Democrat or Fair websites for specific days due to overlap of many fair & rodeo events.*

- Logan County Fair & Rodeo
- Douglas County Fair & Rodeo
- Fremont County Fair
- Morgan County Fair
- Delta County Fair
- Elbert County Fair
- Teller County Fair
- Huerfano County Fair
- Adams County Fair
- Archuleta County Fair
- Sedgwick County Fair
- Baca County Fair
- Moffat County Fair
- Larimer County Fair
- Crested Butte Arts Festival
- San Luis Valley Fair
- Sand & Sage Round-up/Prowers County Fair
- Boulder County Fair
- Routt County Fair

Tuesday, August 1

- 12:00pm
- P.O. Office Hours

Wednesday, August 2

- 6:00pm
- Denver Dems - Denver Young Dem Monthly meeting

Thursday, August 3

- 6:00pm
- HD28 Monthly Meeting

- 6:00pm
- JeffCo HD24 Dems Monthly Meeting

- 6:30pm
- HD40 Meeting

- 7:00pm
- Alamosa County Democrats Monthly Meetig

Friday, August 4

- Crested Butte Arts Festival
- 1:00pm

- VAN Office Hours
- 5:00pm

- BCDP @ Louisville Street Fair

Saturday, August 5  
Bluegrass & Beer Festival

- 1:00pm
- VAN Office Hours
- 5:30pm

Aurora Pride  
12:00pm

Clear Creek Dems Pre-Election Fundraiser

La Plata County Dems

Annual Picnic  
2:00pm

Saturday, August 12  
Escalante Days  
6:45am

Chaffee County Democrats Annual Picnic

Sunrise Stampede - St Vrain Schools Run  
8:30am

Sunday, August 6  
Bluegrass & Beer Festival  
2:00pm

Eagle County Democrats BBQ

Aurora Democratic Breakfast Forum  
10:00am

Monday, August 7  
Sand & Sage Round-up/Prowers County Fair

NAACP Aurora Branch General Body Meeting  
12:00pm

School District Recall Election  
12:00pm

LAD Annual Picnic  
1:00pm

P.O. Office Hours  
6:30pm

Broomfield Dems - Ice Cream Social  
3:30pm

HD 29 Meeting

Wednesday, August 9  
6:30pm  
Broomfield Dems Monthly Meeting

Chaffee County Annual Fundraiser  
5:00pm

6:30pm  
HD42 monthly meeting

Weld County Dems - Roosevelt Dinner  
Sunday, August 13  
Eagle Block Party

7:00pm  
Lake County Dems Monthly meeting

Gold Rush Days  
2:00pm

Friday, August 11  
Eagle Block Party

Gilpin County Democrats FUNdraiser at the Art Gallery

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4:00pm  
49th Annual Eleanor Roosevelt Dinner

Wednesday, August 16  
5:00pm

Boulder County Democratic Women - Kick Off Picnic  
6:00pm

HD61 Monthly Meeting  
6:00pm



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dom of speech and make false allegations against me. Look at the orchestrated propaganda campaign (a leftist strategy) from November 10, 2022 by D49 lawyer Brad Miller, Superintendent Peter Hilts, and board members John, Graham, Rick Van Wieren, and Lori Thompson.

Every one of the numerous libelous allegations have proven to be false without evidence, and have ironically evolved into public embarrassment for the accusers, who then accuse me of tainting their reputation for not having skeletons in my closet... □□.

Lawyer Brad Miller and Lori Thompson in fact made a sleazy slanderous allegation which I will deal with separately: "She (Ivy) encouraged constituents not to patronize Lori's real estate business." Lori's voting record on this board is her own condemnation. No one has to say anything.

The accusers have offered no retractions and nor apologies- only more slander and libel by Mob rule.

Peter Hilts who gets paid over a quarter of a million a year to continue his ten year track record of failing academics spends his time and district resources stalking my social media accounts. Mr Hilts started referencing my Facebook profile two months after I got on the board in April 2021 when it was obvious I was not going to be a rubberstamper who followed his orders.

**There is RETRIBUTION for EXERCISING GOVERNANCE AND FIDUCIARY ACCOUNTABILITY as a School Board Member. There is HELL TO BE PAID for refusing to be a kowtowing bootlicking sycophant, and for "rocking the boat." I was warned when I first became a board member.**

The cyber stalking has evolved into Mr. Hilts' illegitimate block of my communications with district personnel...of this elected official. Mr Hilts is a district employee who works for the board.

My request to cease and desist of this and other illegitimate action behind the scenes was ignored by the abusive gestapo that has been functioning for a long time in D49 and "approved" by legal counsel Brad Miller and the "board" according to John Graham.

This decisions behind closed doors is in violation of the Sunshine law which happens frequently on this board. The conscienceless lawlessness has gone on for too long in D49 and needs to be stopped.

Peter Hilts, Brad Miller, and the trio on the board think they can impose on this elected official the same "fear of repercussions" held over he district staff for not falling in line with the gestapo.

John Graham's ban of community attendees and refusal to retract or apologize have now brought a federal lawsuit on the district. Lawyer Brad Miller in a pu-

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bescent mindset called the federal lawsuit "made up" and a "set up." Graham was very quick to throw the security personnel under the bus even though he ordered the security personnel to take action. The unconstitutional ban on constituents in December 2022 was CC to Peter Hilts and John Graham but the head of security had to sign the ban.

Back to stalking. I will continue to use FB and the constituents' website (d49guardians.com) to inform the public about education and indoctrination. I can't keep the stalkers from stalking me in attempt to create more allegations. They've been digging diligently for months, but I demand that they do NOT spend the taxpayers' dime. The school district is being charged \$200+/hr for such lowlife stalking and other activities NOT approved in the lawyer contract.

Speaking of money, why do we have a shadow board?? If that is not unethical enough, the district is being charged for the shadow board's service bt the lawyer's hourly charge. John Graham does not run a meeting without the presence of a lawyer to guide him on what to say and to back up his oppression of speech of the political minority and violate Robert's Rule. Each meeting costs the district \$1400 - \$2000 legal fees even when no legal issues are at stake on the agenda. This doesn't include the costs leading up to and after a meeting.

Check out the district disbursement log to see where we spend our monies at <https://www.d49.org/Page/586>

Yes, I have proof. I have no intention of making a fool of myself by making false alle-

gations. Check out the false allegations spit out by Rick Van Wieren on November 10, 2022. They have been threatening to file criminal and civil charges against me for months. A law enforcement friend observes, "WHERE's the evidence???"

It is my duty to report this waste and abuse to the taxpayers who are footing these "legal" bills. Six months after the accusers made the egregious allegations, they have zero evidence of wrong doing but they keep digging and accusing. Let's pay our teachers more from the pot of wasteful spending. What a shameful legacy.

Graham et al, in collaboration with the far left group "Neighborhood for Education," continue to bully and harass me about resigning. You see, the big media blow up in November 2022 was supposed to embarrass me so much that I'd disappear from the face of the earth. They were not expecting to have to come up with any evidence.

"Sunshine is the best disinfectant." There is an ironic back-story to that statement by a dishonorable accuser. The board and administration need to be held accountable for academic performance and fiduciary accountability. People need to know how the millions of tax dollars are being spent. The academic and financial outcome of the last ten years have been alarming, concerning, and troublesome.

See more on the D49 constituents' website: <https://d49guardians.com/> Peter Hilts has gone through Great lengths to discredit this organization of concerned constituents. Hilts went as far as posting on nextdoor.

com to discredit the taxpayers.

Check out a new website developed by another concerned D49 constituent, who remains anonymous so they don't come after him/her as they have done with me: <https://d49exposed.com/d49-blog/>

◀ FROM **EXTREMIST** PAGE 1

shifted gears to rooting out woke, indoctrinating curriculum from our schools. And the amount of disturbing, political curriculum is nauseating, at times overwhelming. "How do two men pleasure each other?" was a topic in one of the thousands of books we have uncovered in El Paso County.

Elle from CNN continued to press me, "at what age is it appropriate for a school to show this to a child?" I told her I could not answer that...At no age is this appropriate. That's why it's up to the parents to determine when their child is ready to view such materials. So again, Elle asked, "why not let the state decide what's appropriate? Clearly, democrats have a majority." I answered, "that's not up to the state. That's not the role of government."

It's worth observing how we as a nation got so far off track. My parents always taught me to question everything, especially the government. A healthy distrust of authority is what makes strong adults. But democrats want to wash kids of their strong wills and familial values; the state seeks to act as "in loco parentis," surrogate parents.

Let's be honest. The government cannot





build roads or erect bridges, let alone manage its police, without some kind of political boondoggle. Government is incompetent; it's not qualified to raise my children or yours. Only you are qualified to raise your children, and you should never accept the state's notion that it knows best when families are concerned.

Moms for Liberty is arming parents across the nation with the tools they need to fight the progressive agenda and raise their families as they see fit, a premise that has caused the left to refer to us as "extremists." If protecting my children from indoctrination is extreme, then sign me up.

My children are the only two people on this planet I would die for, and I'm certain that no government entity could say the same. I know best when it comes to their needs, and I hope you will join me in fighting for the needs of your children and innocent kids across the country. Let's encourage kids to be kids again.

Darcy Schoening is one of two Chapter Chairs for the El Paso County Mom's For Liberty chapter. Visit [MomsForLiberty.org](http://MomsForLiberty.org)

# Polis Administration Secures Solar Manufacturer for Colorado Springs

**COLORADO SPRINGS** - Governor Polis and the Global Business Development Division of the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT) announced today that Meyer Burger, an industrial manufacturer of solar cells and solar modules headquartered in Switzerland, has selected Colorado Springs, Colorado for expansion.

"Colorado's strong economy and business-friendly environment continues to attract companies to move and grow here, and we are thrilled Meyer Burger has selected Colorado Springs for their expansion. Their expansion will create more than 350 new good-paying jobs in our state and further position Colorado as a leader in the cleantech industry," said Governor Polis.

Colorado's cleantech industry, which includes solar, has a \$4.6 billion economic impact each year. Employment in the sector has grown 10% over the last two years, directly employing 62,000 people. The state is fourth in the nation for its concentration of cleantech employment.

Utilizing benefits from the federal Inflation Reduction Act, Meyer Burger will establish a high-performance solar cell manufacturing facility in Colorado Springs with an initial capacity of two gigawatts of solar cells per year to supply its solar module production facility in Arizona. The availability of an existing facility, access to talent and the state's commitment to renewable energy all factored into the company's decision, along with the strong local supply chain. More than 80% of the purchasing volume for the company's German production plant came from local suppliers, and a similar commitment will be in place in Colorado Springs.

"Our presence in the U.S. will enable us to reach existing and future customers more quickly. I would like to sincerely thank our partners in the Biden administration and in Colorado as well as our offtake partners DESRI, Ingka and BayWa for their support in expanding our U.S. activities," said Gunter Erfurt, Meyer Burger. "Meyer Burger is currently working on additional multi-gigawatt offtake agreements in the US with new customers. We are already exploring opportunities to add further solar cell and module production capacity in the country."

Production at the Colorado Springs manufacturing plant is planned to begin during the second half of

2024 and Meyer Burger expects to create more than 350 new jobs at an average annual wage of \$77,842, which is 129.4% of the average annual wage in El Paso County. The positions will include project managers, operators, facility managers, process engineers, and maintenance personnel.

"Colorado has made a bold commitment to 100% renewable energy by 2040 and cleantech companies are taking note. Meyer Burger joins a growing number of companies choosing our state for the collaborative cleantech ecosystem and we are thrilled to welcome them to Colorado Springs," said OEDIT Executive Director Eve Lieberman.

"Colorado's cleantech industry is globally competitive and we see that when companies like Meyer Burger choose our state for expansion," said Michelle Hadwiger, OEDIT's Director of Global Business Development. "Colorado ranks in the top ten states for energy production, and since 2010, renewable electricity generation has more than quadrupled to account for 37% of the state's electricity generation in 2022. Meyer Burger will help continue Colorado's legacy as a top energy producer and do so with renewable sources."

Recognizing that Meyer Burger will create new, high-wage jobs and support Colorado's transition to clean energy, the Colorado Economic Development Commission approved up to \$4,944,960 in performance-based Job Growth Incentive Tax Credits for the company over an 8-year period. These incentives are contingent upon Meyer Burger, referred to as Project Blanc throughout the OEDIT review process, meeting net new job creation and salary requirements.

The Colorado Springs Chamber & EDC, as well as a wide array of local development organizations, utilities, and municipal institutions, are also putting together a local incentive package projected to surpass \$84 million. Pending final approval, this package will include funding from El Paso County, Colorado Springs Utilities, the City of Colorado Springs, and the Colorado Springs Chamber & Economic Development Corporation Deal Closing Fund, among other sources.

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lar modules produced worldwide, and their decision to locate in Colorado Springs adds to our growing advanced manufacturing sector. The new Colorado Springs footprint will be Meyer Burger's first site in the Western Hemisphere to manufacture the chips and wafers that power cutting-edge solar technology. The Colorado Springs Chamber & Economic Development Corporation is proud to lead this project and support clean, renewable energy while creating good-paying American jobs," said Johnna Reeder Kleymeyer, president & CEO of the Colorado Springs Chamber & Economic Development Corporation.

*"...the Colorado Economic Development Commission approved up to \$4,944,960 in performance-based Job Growth Incentive Tax Credits for the company over an 8-year period."*

In addition to Colorado, Meyer Burger also considered New York, Indiana, and Arizona for expansion. The company currently has 1,400 employees, none of whom are in Colorado. It is the second international solar company to choose Colorado for expansion in recent weeks.



Colorado Governor Jared Polis

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# COLORADO REPUBLICANS

website: [ColoGOP.org](http://ColoGOP.org)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Collegiate Peaks Republican Women's Forum

Buena Vista Congregational United Church of Christ, 217 Crossman Ave, Buena Vista, CO 81211, USA  
Contact Millie Meardon: 719-395-3228  
TUE, August 1 @ 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

### Collegiate Peaks Republican Women's Forum (CPRWF)

Congregational Church, 217 Crossman Ave, Buena Vista  
TUE, August 1 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

### Delta County Monthly Meeting

Surface Creek Community Church, 21987 Austin Rd, Austin, CO

### Delta County Republicans Monthly Meeting

The first Tuesday of each month. Location: Surface Creek Community Church, 21987 Austin Rd, Austin, CO. Contact: Angie Many, Secretary, 970-210-0948  
WED, August 2 @ 6:45 am - 8:30 am

### Arapahoe County Republican Breakfast Committee (ACRBC)

WED, August 2 @ 7:00 am - 8:00 am

### Boulder County GOP Monthly Morning Meeting

Monthly Morning Meeting- 1st Wednesday of each month 7AM contact Bradley Beck [bbeck@bocogop.org](mailto:bbeck@bocogop.org)  
WED, August 2 @ 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

### Log Cabin Republicans Happy Hour

629 E Colfax Ave, Denver, CO 80203, USA  
WED, August 2 @ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

### Park County Republican Meeting

Fairplay Fair Barn - 880 Bogue Street Fairplay, Colorado  
THU, August 3 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

### Clear Creek County GOP Meeting

1630 Miner St, Idaho Springs, CO 80452, USA  
THU3  
August 3 @ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
CU Republicans  
Contact: [coloradocr@gmail.com](mailto:coloradocr@gmail.com)  
THU, August 3 @ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

### Gilpin County GOP Meetings (first Thursday of each Month)

Email Marie Mornis for more information: [mariea.fish@gmail.com](mailto:mariea.fish@gmail.com)  
FRI, August 4 @ 8:00 am - 9:30 am

### Denver GOP First Friday Breakfast

560 S Holly St, Denver, CO 80246, USA  
Date: First Friday of every month  
Time: 8:00 am - 9:30 am  
Location:

Morning Story Restaurant  
Please order off the menu/pay ala carte  
Contact: [celesterg@hotmail.com](mailto:celesterg@hotmail.com)  
FRI4  
August 4 @ 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

### Republicans @ Denver Athletic Club

The Denver Athletic Club, 1325 Glenarm Pl, Denver, CO 80204, USA  
August 5 @ 8:30 am - 10:30 am  
Gunnison GOP meeting  
Almont Resort, Gunnison County, CO, United States 10209 Hwy 135, Almont, CO 81210

### Gunnison GOP Meeting

When: 1st Saturday of each month  
Time: 8:30 am  
Location: Almont Resort  
10209 Hwy 135, Almont, CO 81210  
Contact: Jane Chaney, Gunnison GOP Chair - 970-349-7744, [jchaney@q.com](mailto:jchaney@q.com), Brad Tutor, Gunnison GOP Vice-Chair  
MON7  
August 7 @ 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

### Summit County GOP Central Committee Meeting

Hobby Room, Community & Senior Center, 151 Peak One Boulevard, Frisco.  
All registered Republicans are invited to join us for our monthly meeting when we will be reviewing current political activity and discussing events to come.  
MON, August 7 @ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

### W.I.N.Talks

Boulder County Republicans office, 619 Ken Pratt Blvd  
TUE, August 8 @ 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

### Cherry Creek Republican Women

DoubleTree by Hilton Denver Tech Center located at 7801 E. Orchard Road, Greenwood Village, CO 80111  
TUE8  
August 8 @ 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

### Huerfano County Republicans Meeting

La Plaza Inn, 118 W 6th St, Walsenburg, CO 81089, USA

### Huerfano County Republican Committee

5:30 Meet and Greet 6 pm meeting No Host Dinner Afterwards La Plaza Inn 118 W. 6th Walsenburg, CO 81089  
TUE8  
August 8 @ 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

### Teller County Republican Meeting Pikes Peak Community Club (PPCC),

11122 US-24, Divide, CO 80814, USA  
Teller County GOP Meets the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the Pikes Peak Community Center, 11122 Hwy US-24, Divide, CO 80814. We welcome guests  
WED, August 9 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

### Eagle County Republicans Central Committee Meeting

Ambulance District Building behind Edwards Post Office, Edwards, CO, 81632, United States  
WED9  
August 9 @ 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

### Park County Republicans Central Committee Meeting

Fairplay Barn  
Meet the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm, Park County Fairgrounds, Fair Barn. Contact: Richard Elsner, 303-838-7491  
THU10  
August 10 @ 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

### Montrose County Republicans Central Committee meeting

Montrose Education Services: Board Room 930 Colorado Ave  
Social hour begins at 6 p.m., the meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. Contact: Scott Riba Chairman Montrose Republican Party 970-596-9998 cell  
THU10  
August 10 @ 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

### Jeffco Monthly Mtg

13952 Denver W Pkwy bldg 53 suite 450, Lakewood, CO 80401, USA  
THU10  
August 10 @ 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
CU Republicans  
Contact: [coloradocr@gmail.com](mailto:coloradocr@gmail.com)  
FRI11  
August 11 @ 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

### Republicans @ Denver Athletic Club

The Denver Athletic Club, 1325 Glenarm Pl, Denver, CO 80204, USA  
August 12 @ 8:00 am - 9:00 am

### Douglas Executive Meeting

Christensen Justice Center in Castle Rock

### Monthly Executive Committee meeting of the DCR (Douglas County Republicans)

All Republicans are welcome to attend.  
SAT12  
August 12 @ 8:00 am - 9:30 am

### Weld County Breakfast

Double Tree Restaurant in Platteville  
RSVP Marge Klein 303-246-2716  
SAT12  
August 12 @ 9:00 am - 10:30 am

### North Suburban Republican Forum

541 E. 99th Pl. Thornton - Amazing Grace Church  
Contact: [info@NorthSuburbanRepublicanForum.com](mailto:info@NorthSuburbanRepublicanForum.com)

SAT12  
August 12 @ 9:00 am - 11:00 am

### Denver Republican Women's Club

597 S Clinton St, Denver, CO 80247, USA  
<https://www.facebook.com/denvergo-pwomen/>  
MON14  
August 14 @ 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm

### Summit County Republican Women's Meeting

[info@summitgopwomen.org](mailto:info@summitgopwomen.org)  
Due to restrictions, the location tends to change. Please email [info@summitgopwomen.org](mailto:info@summitgopwomen.org) for more information the location of the meeting.  
MON14  
August 14 @ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

### Chaffee County GOP Central Committee Meeting

Our meeting is second Monday every month starts 6:30. We alternate cities. Please reach out to Rebecca Seaman at [rsrph@yahoo.com](mailto:rsrph@yahoo.com) for more information.  
TUE15  
August 15 @ 11:15 am - 12:45 pm

### Boulder Republican Women

American Legion Post 10, 4760 28th St, Boulder, CO 80301, USA  
Contact: [lindaerdmann95949@yahoo.com](mailto:lindaerdmann95949@yahoo.com)  
TUE15  
August 15 @ 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

### Weld Exec Committee Meeting

TUE, August 15 @ 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm  
Log Cabin Republicans Business Meeting  
221 W 13th Ave, Denver, CO 80204

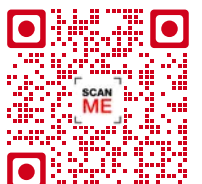
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Michael Bennet  
Democrat  
Since Jan 22, 2009  
Next Election in 2022

**JUNIOR SENATOR:**

John Hickenlooper  
Democrat  
Since Jan 3, 2021  
Next Election in 2026

**REPRESENTATIVES (7):**

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Diana DeGette  
Democrat  
Since Jan 7, 1997

**2ND DISTRICT:**

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Democrat  
Since Jan 3, 2019

**3RD DISTRICT:**

Lauren Boebert  
Republican  
Since Jan 3, 2021

**4TH DISTRICT:**

Ken Buck  
Republican  
Since Jan 6, 2015

**5TH DISTRICT:**

Doug Lamborn  
Republican  
Since Jan 4, 2007

**6TH DISTRICT:**

Jason Crow  
Democrat  
Since Jan 3, 2019

**7TH DISTRICT:**

Ed Perlmutter  
Democrat  
Since Jan 4, 2007

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## The Colorado General Assembly

The Colorado General Assembly consists of 100 members - 35 Senators and 65 Representatives. Senators serve four-year terms, while Representatives serve two-year terms. All members are limited to serving for eight consecutive years in their chamber - four terms for Representatives and two terms for Senators. As of the 2010 census, State Senators serve an average of 143,691 residents and State Representatives serve an average of 77,372 residents.

The President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Majority and Minority Leaders of each chamber serve as the primary leadership for the legislature. These six members are responsible for the day-to-day operations of the House and Senate as well as serving as the oversight authority for the legislative service agencies. Each house elects additional leadership positions as well.

**SENATE EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP**

The Executive Leadership of the Senate includes the Senate President, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader. They are also ex officio members of the Executive Committee of the Legislative Council along with the Executive Leadership of the House of Representatives. The President is elected by a majority vote of the Senate, while the Majority Leader and Minority Leader are chosen by their respective caucuses.



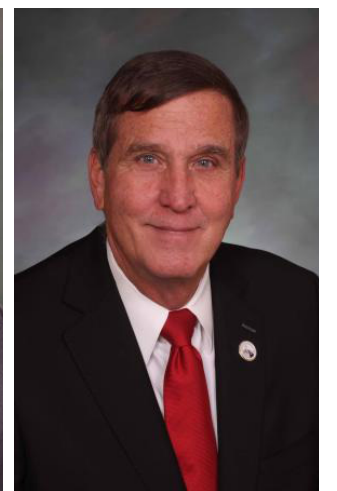
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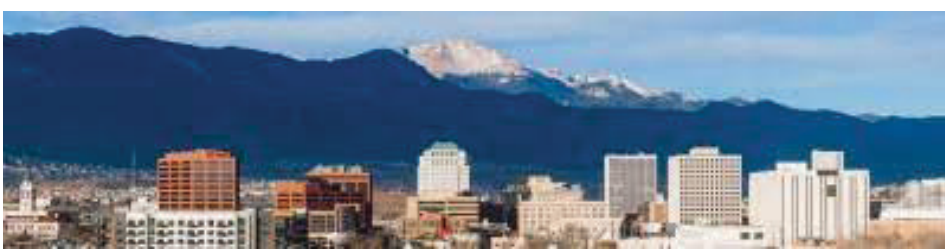


Blessing 'Yemi' Mobolade was sworn in as the 42nd Mayor of Colorado Springs on June 6, 2023. This is his first four-year term as mayor.

**Colo. Springs Mayor Yemi Mobolade**

**COS Current Council Members**  
District 1: Dave Donelson (elected in 2021)  
District 2: Randy Helms (elected in 2021)  
District 3: Stephannie Fortune (appointed 2022)  
District 4: Yolanda Avila (re-elected 2021)  
District 5: Nancy Henjum (elected in 2021)  
District 6: Mike O'Malley (elected 2021)  
At-large: Bill Murray (re-elected in 2019)  
At-large: Tom Strand, President (re-elected in 2019)  
At-large: Wayne Williams (elected in 2019)

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**SENATORS**

Each state in the United States elects two senators, regardless of the state's population. Senators serve six-year terms with staggered elections. Americans in the United States's six territories do not have senators.

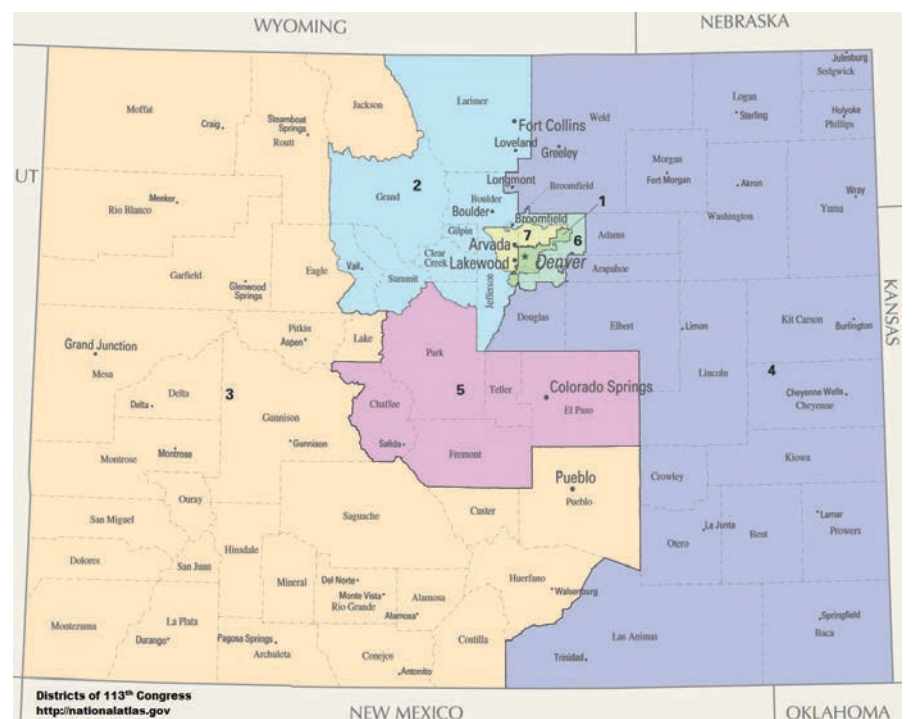
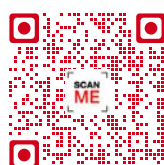
**REPRESENTATIVES**

The United States is divided into 435 congressional districts, each with a population of about 710,000 individuals. Each district elects a representative to the House of Representatives for a two-year term. Representatives are also called congressmen/congresswomen. Americans in the United States's six territories are represented in the House of Representatives by an additional six non-voting delegates.

All of the representatives from the top of this page serve until the end of the current Congress on Jan 3, 2023.

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# “Hell, no, you’re not.” With Representative Lauren Boebert

**Rep. Boebert Votes for Largest Military Pay Raise in 20 Years**  
Congresswoman Lauren Boebert voted to



fund the United States military by passing the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) to equip our brave men and women in uniform with the resources they need to accomplish their missions and get home safely. The NDAA that passed the House also included three of Congresswoman Boebert’s bipartisan amendments. Her first amendment added her Pueblo Jobs Act to the NDAA. Her second amendment protected our service members’ children by prohibiting pornographic and radical gender ideology books in on-base school libraries. Finally, her third amendment fought back against Chinese Communist Party propaganda by requiring the DoD to report on institutions of higher education that have received DoD funding and hosted a Confucius Institute.

Congresswoman Lauren Boebert (CO-03) said, “It is Congress’s job to ensure that our nation’s most precious resource, its sons and daughters, mothers and fathers who answered the call to serve in uniform have the best chance to come home to their families and have the necessary resources to accomplish their missions. I’m also thrilled we secured a major win for Pueblo by passing my Pueblo Jobs Act as a provision in the National Defense Authorization Act. I look forward to my bipartisan bill being signed

into law that will help facilitate job growth and economic development while investing in Pueblo’s future.”

Background: Congresswoman Boebert voted for the Fiscal Year 2024 NDAA, and it passed the House of Representatives by a bipartisan vote of 219-210.



The FY24 NDAA contains enormous wins for national security and military families. This bill takes an important step toward returning the Department of Defense to its fundamental mission, strengthening military readiness, improving the lethality of our armed forces, and providing crucial support to our men and women in uniform including:

- \* **The largest basic pay increase in more than 20 years—5.2 percent.**
- \* Extends recruitment and retention bonuses.
- \* Authorizes over \$240 million to reduce out-of-pocket housing costs.
- \* Expands reimbursement eligibility for military spouses on business costs and relicensing when transferring locations.
- \* Reduces DoD childcare fees for military families.
- \* **Authorizes \$113 billion over the budget request for new military childcare centers and authorizes over \$280 million to build new schools for military children.**
- \* Establishes a pathway for the return of service members discharged under tyrannical vaccine mandates.
- \* Counters aggression from the Chi-

- nese Communist Party.
- \* Invokes oversight at the Pentagon by requiring the DoD Inspector General to conduct a full audit of the price and cost data for major acquisition programs.
- \* Establishes an Inspector General for Ukraine tasked with auditing all aid provided by the United States.
- \* Develops advanced radar systems to track high-altitude balloons and missiles
- \* Fully funds the modernization of our nuclear triad.
- \* Establishes a Space National Guard.
- \* Prohibits the DoD from funding abortions via reimbursements for time off, lodging, and travel expenses.
- \* Prohibits taxpayer funding for “gender-affirming care” surgeries and gender hormone treatments.
- \* Prohibits taxpayer funding for drag shows.
- \* Prohibits taxpayer funds going towards the teaching of Critical Race Theory (CRT) and prohibits funds towards any advisory committee dealing with CRT.
- \* Abolishes diversity, equity, and inclusion programs at the Department of Defense.
- \* **Prohibits the DoD from carrying out the Biden administration’s climate change executive orders.**
- \* **Includes a Parents’ Bill of Rights for servicemembers to ensure military parents’ right to review curriculum materials, meet with teachers, and provide consent before any medical exams or screenings at school.**

## Donald Trump Jr. joins America First Insurance Group!

**\*\*PARALLEL ECONOMY\*\***

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a solution to a very big problem.”-Donald Trump Jr.

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Tony Lani, CEO says, “We’re thrilled to welcome Donald Trump Jr. to the America

First Insurance family! We feel Don represents what this great country was truly built on!”.

Donald Trump Jr. will serve as a marketing partner, promoter and endorser of America First Insurance Group, while still acting as trustee and executive vice president of The Trump Organization, running the company alongside his younger brother, Eric Trump. Mr. Trump has also authored 2 very popular books: Triggered in 2019 and Liberal Privilege in 2020, and is one of the

America First Insurance is the people’s response to woke corporations and their political and ideological agendas. The average American just wants affordable insurance for their family, their home, their car, and their life. They don’t want the company selling them these services to be pushing a woke agenda or any agenda for that matter. They say the best companies on the planet are those created out of necessity; and for conservative, patriotic Americans this is

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First they came for the Communists  
And I did not speak out  
Because I was not a Communist  
Then they came for the Socialists  
And I did not speak out  
Because I was not a Socialist  
Then they came for the trade unionists  
And I did not speak out  
Because I was not a trade unionist  
Then they came for the Jews  
And I did not speak out  
Because I was not a Jew  
Then they came for me  
And there was no one left  
To speak out for me.



**Pastor Martin Niemöller,**  
Regarding the Nazi regime

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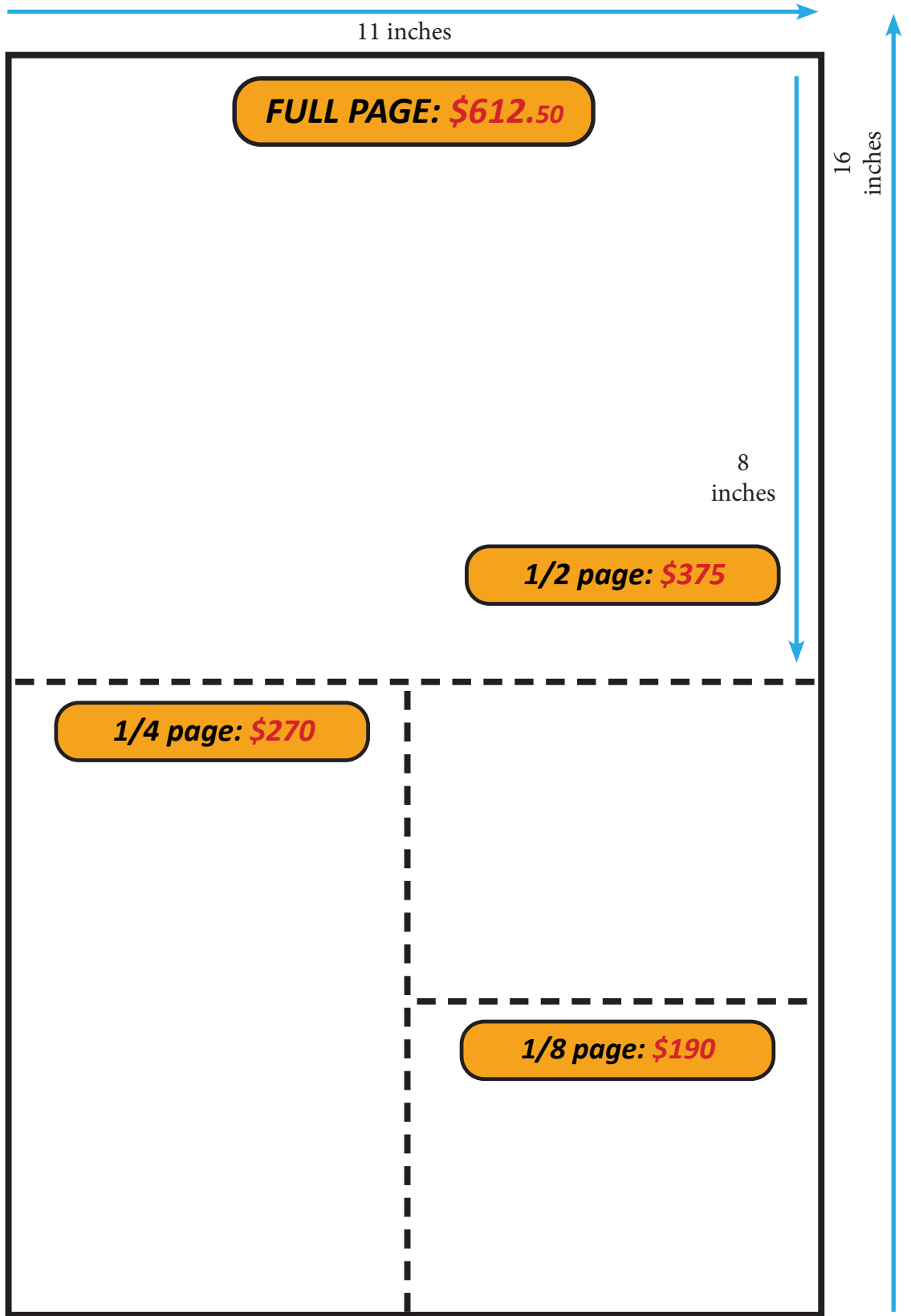
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I have also opened a gym called The Beach in the Belmont area of Pueblo. The Beach has been opened for a little less than a year.

**What did you do before this business?**  
Zach was a US Navy SEAL for nearly a decade. In 2015 he left the Navy and we decided to move back to his home town of Pueblo. I am a political consultant who has worked on campaigns from the local to presidential level. Before we opened the range, I was a television news producer. I was a Senior Producer at Fox News in Washington DC when I met my husband. Bob was a transportation engineer who worked and retired from the Test Center here in Pueblo a few years before we opened the range.

**Why are you in business?**  
We started the business because it was a venture that excited us, owning our own business that could serve a need in our community and allow us to work together as a family.

Our range exists to promote, teach and facilitate the safe use of firearms. We seek to provide a place where people can practice their firearm skills or learn how to shoot in a safe and comfortable environment. We cater to families, women and small businesses/groups looking to team build. We also provide a place for security firms to train their employees and for law enforcement to train.

**How did you get started in this business?**  
Zach was able to use his knowledge of firearms and safety to successfully make the connections needed to get the range started. His knowledge of the firearm/safety component came from his extensive military training. Before opening the range, Zach also took business classes from SBDC here in Pueblo as well as a course from the military before leaving.

**Can you describe your customers?**  
Our customers are very diverse. We have a lot of families that come out together to shoot on weekends. We host a women's group that meets at

our range every month. Some of these women had not operated a fire arm before joining the group. We also work with security teams on training their employees. We have a lot of sporting clay shooters that have come out since we opened, many of whom we consider friends.

**Why do your customers select you over your competitors?**  
We are consistently told we are a very customer friendly business that has a team of people who are patient and willing to provide guidance and advice. We are a clean range and we are very open to feed back. **We have also been told by many people that we have the best outdoor range in the state of Colorado. We have amenities for every discipline of shooting sports from sporting clays, a steel range, an airsoft field to the only 1,000 yard rifle range in Pueblo County.**

**Where do you see your business in the next year?**

We would like to continue to capitalize on the momentum we have been building since we saw a drop in business due to COVID restrictions and closings. Over the next year, we'd like to host more events and tournaments. Our range is a great place to hold family, charity and team building events. If anyone is looking for information on any of those events, please reach out.

**Whom do you seek advice from for your business?**  
The small business community in Pueblo is very supportive. We have a lot of mentors and fellow business owners that we seek advice from. We also look to industry leaders both in Pueblo and in other communities for advice.

**How can our readers get ahold of you?**  
They can visit our website [www.RepublicShootingRange.com](http://www.RepublicShootingRange.com) Email is the quickest way to reach us: [RepublicShooting@gmail.com](mailto:RepublicShooting@gmail.com) They can also call us at the range: 719-283-2010.



**\*\*LOCAL AUTHOR: "THE JANIE COLLECTIVE"\*\***

# CONTEMPLATING A PASSAGE TO FREEDOM

## Contemplating a Passage to Freedom from Government in Colorado Springs, like the Underground Railroad

COLORADO SPRINGS--I've never been a fan of man-made rules. I get why we need some, but I think most are complete nonsense. Take speed limits for example. I think speed "guidance" or "recommendations" are appropriate if they're set by engineers. If a curve is coming up, I'd like to know the speed that, from a physics perspective, will guarantee me flying off the road and I'll stay under it as I round the bend. But to give me a ticket for being a fantastic driver that happens to go faster than others is downright criminal. Where is the rule prohibiting the government from making and enforcing asinine rules?

My ideology makes me a political orphan. There's no party that I could possibly belong to, so I don't belong to one. I belong to Jesus Christ. I don't count on the government to provide for me or to protect me. I count on Jesus to do those things. This helps me to stay on the sidelines of the mind bending, endless political debates on how to solve a problem. After all, regardless of which political party runs a city, a state or the nation, every problem it attempts to fix with legislation and funding gets worse. Take Covid, for example. Every level of government bypassed legislation (bypassing legislation is legislation that allows bypassing legislation) to remove free will from humans and open the floodgates of financial slavery into the bank accounts of lower levels of government, pharmaceutical companies, hospitals, big business, small business, families, and individuals to solve the problem of people dying.

What was the result? Massive amounts of people dying. Additionally, we witnessed the death of the economy including small businesses and the workforce.

I believe Covid marked a turning point in history. I believe that because God told me. In December of 2019, He said, "Pay attention to this virus. It's not like any other virus. It's apocalyptic." When Covid shut down the galaxy, I was driving for Lyft. I had recently resigned from my short stint as V.P. of Government Affairs for the Pikes Peak Association of Realtors (PPAR). It turned out that my idea of private property rights was not the same as those of the Public Policy Committee members which I served. While I was figuring out the next step in my career, I finished writing a book that I had started the year before and I began driving for my income. Four months later the earth stopped on its axis for two weeks to stop rational thinking. Immediately after masks were mandated the Lord spoke to me again. "Take off

your masks and breathe. I AM the Breath of Life. I AM Jehovah Rophe the Lord of your health. I AM The Great Physician. I AM your vaccine."

I wasn't planning on obeying the government anyway but now God was commanding me to be disobedient.

This excited me like never before. I drove thousands of riders through Covid, many that were visibly sick. Because HIPPA went the way of the do-do bird during the pandemic, it was common for me to get a text from Lyft telling me that the rider had tested positive. I picked people up from the hospital and took them home. I picked people up from home and took them to the hospital. I never wore a mask, not even when all the car windows were closed in winter. I touched people's germ hands to pray with them, I helped them in and out of the car and I hugged them. I never got sick. Not even a sniffle. And the most unbelievable thing is that out of thousands of riders, less than five complained to Lyft that I wasn't following the rules.

**Is Pikes Peak a modern-day Mt. Carmel where God is calling us to pit Him against the god of government?** It makes sense given Colorado Springs and the surrounding area is home to five military installations; a bajillion defense contractors and other public private partnership corporations committed to meeting global ESG goals; is home to the headquarters for the Colorado Department of Corrections; chosen as a national SMART city pilot; and has a newly elected Mayor committed to bringing in more state and federal funding to the city than ever before.

I can't think of a more fitting place for a showdown than the region that is also home to several major Christian ministry headquarters, is the birthplace of "America the Beautiful" and has wild supernatural connections that both Spirit-filled Christians and pagans would agree.

If it's true that God is throwing down the gauntlet, we must build the alter of a parallel society and douse it with trust

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There is more information on accumulating wealth available today than at any other time in history. Again, the US Census sheds some light on wealth accumulation. They found out that the top twenty percent of income earners and the top 5% of wealth gatherers have many habits in common:

- 42.6% own stocks and mutual funds
- 17.5% own their own business or professional practice
- 48.3% invest into an IRA
- 90.2% have cash in the bank

Those are very simple things that almost any of us can do. It does not take much effort to open an IRA account with investment funds or stocks in it. It is easy to deposit money in a bank savings account or CD. Most of us can easily think of and start even a part-time business. All it takes is to do it now. We just need to start with some simple steps and definite plans.



(book excerpts)

### Could the Earnings Yield Be the Best Single Measure of Stock Value?

I think it definitely could be! I consider it to be the true measure of how you, as a stockholder, are actually benefiting from the company you invested in. You may not actually receive all of the net earnings in cash, but the company can buy back shares with net income, pay you cash dividends, AND/OR reinvest into the growing enterprise. But, first of all, what is an "earnings yield"? It is the opposite of the P/E ratio. It is essentially the E/P ratio. You divide a company's total earnings by the total market price of the stock.

For example, if the company you are looking at has annual earnings of \$20 million and a market value of \$200 million, then the earnings yield would be .10 (expressed as a percentage that would be 10%). So for every dollar you are investing into the company, it is earning for you ten cents, or ten percent of a dollar.

If a wonderful and popular company that everyone adored was making \$1 billion dollars every year in net income that looks very good. But if that same business was valued on the stock market for \$100 billion would

the earnings yield be to low? The earnings yield would be a paltry one percent! So for every dollar YOU INVEST INTO THAT STOCK the company is actually only producing one penny in net income for you, the shareholder and part-owner.

### The 3-Step, No-Brainer Mutual Fund Strategy

This is a tactic that is very simple and can be used as a stand-alone approach. It is very simple and easy to manage. If this is your only investment it can pay off handsomely for you if allowed to work as described.

STEP ONE: Invest in a Balanced Mutual Fund or Asset Allocation Fund

STEP TWO: Dollar-Cost Average into the Fund & Invest More as it Drops in Value

As you learned earlier, you will accumulate more shares or less-expensive shares with the DCA strategy as the price of the shares move in value. And when the price drops significantly, as in a "bear" market, you add EVEN MORE than the usual amount. By doing that, you are making market volatility work for YOU.

STEP THREE: Invest for Fifteen or More Years

Why fifteen years? According to Morningstar Direct, from the years 1926-2014, you would have had a 99.8% chance of profit if you had invested in stocks and held for fifteen or more years. Yes, you read that correctly; you would have been virtually ASSURED a positive return.

### What Is The Difference Between a Global and an International Mutual Fund?

This is an important question. I talk to people a lot that think the two are the same. And by the name they do sound just alike. But there is a big difference, especially when you are trying to properly diversify your assets. In a nutshell, when you see the name global in the mutual fund name or description, those funds will invest in international AND American (domestic) stocks. The international funds should have NO domestic shares.

So you might think The Global ABC Fund is investing all of your money out of the country. But they could have fifty percent of the assets in large-capitalization

US companies. So are you really as diversified as you thought by looking at the name?

On the flip side, if you invested in The International ABC Fund, then 100% of your money should be in foreign shares. Then you can rest assured that you have fully diversified OUTSIDE of the US. Then you can also invest other moneys into domestic funds or shares.

### What is GARP Stock Investing?

GARP is an acronym for Growth At a Reasonable Price. As you can guess this approach simply combines both growth and value investing. With this method, you are looking at growth companies selling in the market at value prices. A very famous and successful GARP investor was Peter Lynch, for example.

### What is a REIT?

A REIT is a real estate investment trust. It is a company that buys, manages and sometimes sells individual pieces of real estate. Usually, they are buying the properties, holding for possible appreciation and collecting a cash flow from the underlying real estate. By law...



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in Jesus to provide for us and protect us. Saturating ourselves in vaccines will not show others the Power of the Holy Spirit. Drenching our business bank accounts with PPP subsidies will not convince unbelievers that God has authority over all things seen and unseen. Soaking ourselves in unemployment subsidies to pay bills is not a miracle. At the very least, if we take a stab at this, perhaps God will stop sending missionaries from Africa and South Korea to the United States to teach us how to be Christians.

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So how do we do it? In my next column I'll lay out the overarching business concept and address how the emerging 1099 workforce can fortify the small business marketplace and push back on government through a mutually beneficial membership relationship.

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