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## Junior Leagues' "Touch a Truck" Set for September 29 at Colorado State Fairgrounds

**(Pueblo, Colo. - September 29, 2018)** The Junior League of Pueblo will host its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual "Touch a Truck" event on Saturday, September 29, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Colorado State Fairgrounds. This popular community wide fundraiser invites families to learn more about commercial vehicles, their operators, and the great work being done in Pueblo.

"Families love that we are providing an affordable family activity where kids see life-size versions of their favorite toys in action," said Funds Chair Emily Stewart. "And parents love that their kids are learning about professions and the people who make our community great. "

Children can put their imagination in gear, get behind the wheel, and rub elbows with some of their hometown heroes. Kids are welcome to climb on and explore their favorite vehicles including big rigs, fire engines, police vehicles, construction trucks, tractors and much more.

The event will also feature tables where kids learn about healthy eating habits and receive a free book from the Junior League of Pueblo. Cost is \$5 per person or \$20 for family of five. Children 2 and under are free. Those who bring a pack of diapers to support the League's annual Diaper Drive will be entered into a drawing to win prizes by the Shandy Clinic. The event also features a "Horn Free Hour," sponsored by the Shandy Clinic in recognition of children with high sensory needs.

This one-day event is the first fundraiser of the League year and supports a mission toward empowering children in the areas of literacy, health and nutrition, and basic survival needs. Operating now for more than 40 years, the Junior League of Pueblo is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through effective action and leadership training of volunteers.

League programs include Kids in the Kitchen, Fit4Fun, literacy programming, Diaper and Backpack Drive, Sweet Cases for foster agencies, and providing trained volunteers for our community organizations working toward our shared mission, including the Boys and Girls Club of Pueblo and Pueblo City-County Library District – to name a few.

The Junior League of Pueblo Touch a Truck Committee thanks the following event donors and sponsors who made this fun and interactive day possible: Pueblo Pulmonary Associates, The Shandy Clinic, Print Pros, Park West Dental, Wagner, A-Affordable, Black Hills Energy, Workzone Traffic Control, Sit Means Sit, Little Caesars Pizza, Chic Fil A, Giggles and Grins face painting, and Bright Sky Pony Rides.

"Families love spending the day together," said Stewart about the event that has doubled in size in just a few short years. "They also love knowing their few dollars spent, *are* returned back into the community and *do* have a direct impact on kids and families in need."

For more information about Touch-a-Truck or the Junior League of Pueblo, visit <a href="https://www.jlofpueblo.org/touch-a-truck">www.jlofpueblo.org/touch-a-truck</a> or contact Stewart at 719.252.8117.