

# Co-Curricular Initiatives in Support of Student Learning



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## Search & Rescue Team - **Established 2015**

CSU-Pueblo Search and Rescue is a team of **student** volunteers dedicated to providing professional:

- wilderness search and rescue
- urban search and rescue
- educational classes & presentations

Serving Pueblo County & Southern Colorado

## SERVICE TO OTHERS SO OTHERS MAY LIVE!



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## Search & Rescue Team

- Originated in Fall of 2015 - 35 students at first meeting  
1st year - core group of students established the team
- Official MOU with **Pueblo County Sheriff's Office**
- Officially recognized as a deployable team in  
State of Colorado - **Colorado Search and Rescue Board**
- **1 of 2** University Based teams in Colorado & **1 of 10** University Based teams in the nation
- **Developed and Implemented** Academic SAR Class - Rec 120L - 2 credits - Taught 4 semesters



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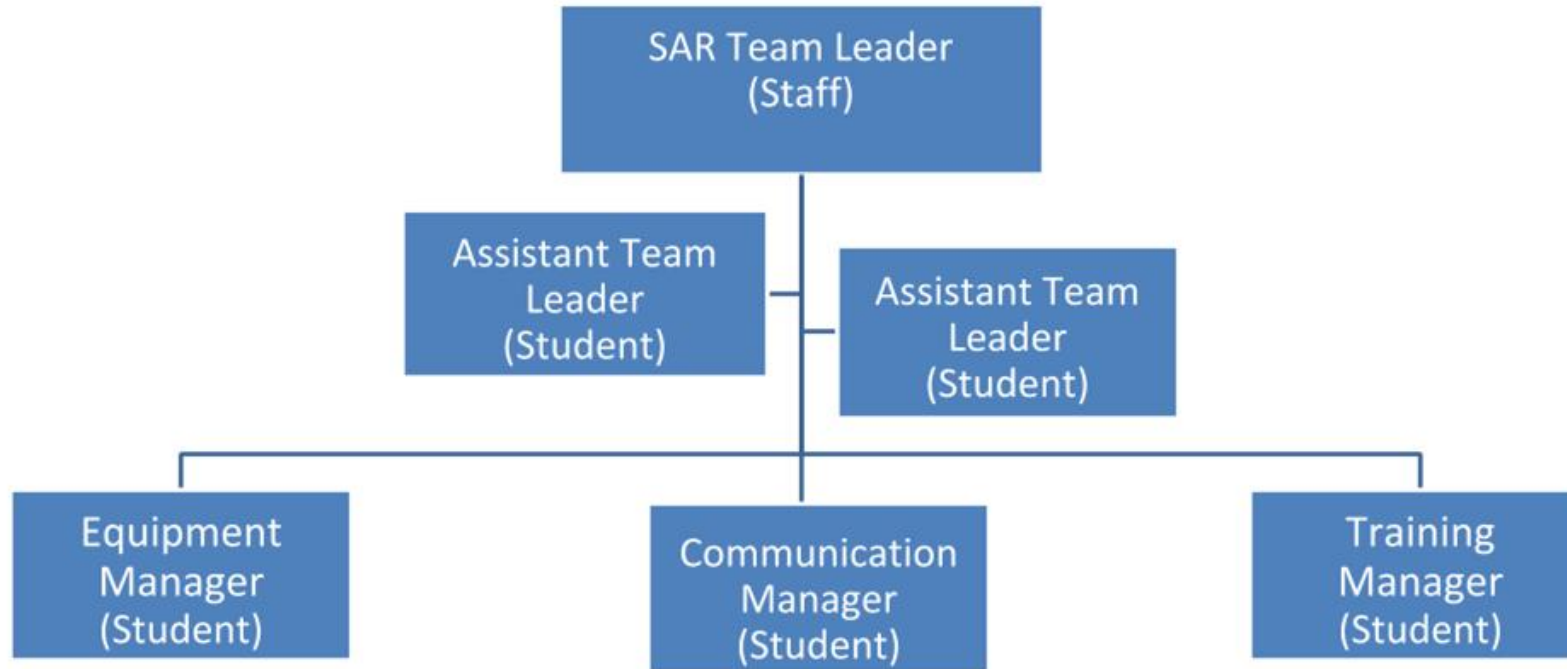
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## Search & Rescue Team

### Team Structure



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## Search & Rescue Team

- Total student contact 125+ students
- 10 Current Members, 10 Team Alumni
  - 3 Alumni - Pueblo County SAR Team
  - 1 Alumni - US Coast Guard
- Members' majors include:
  - Mass Communications & New Media
  - Biology
  - Master's of Business Management
  - Automotive Industry Management
  - Nursing
  - Art
  - Mathematics
  - Engineering
  - Athletic Training



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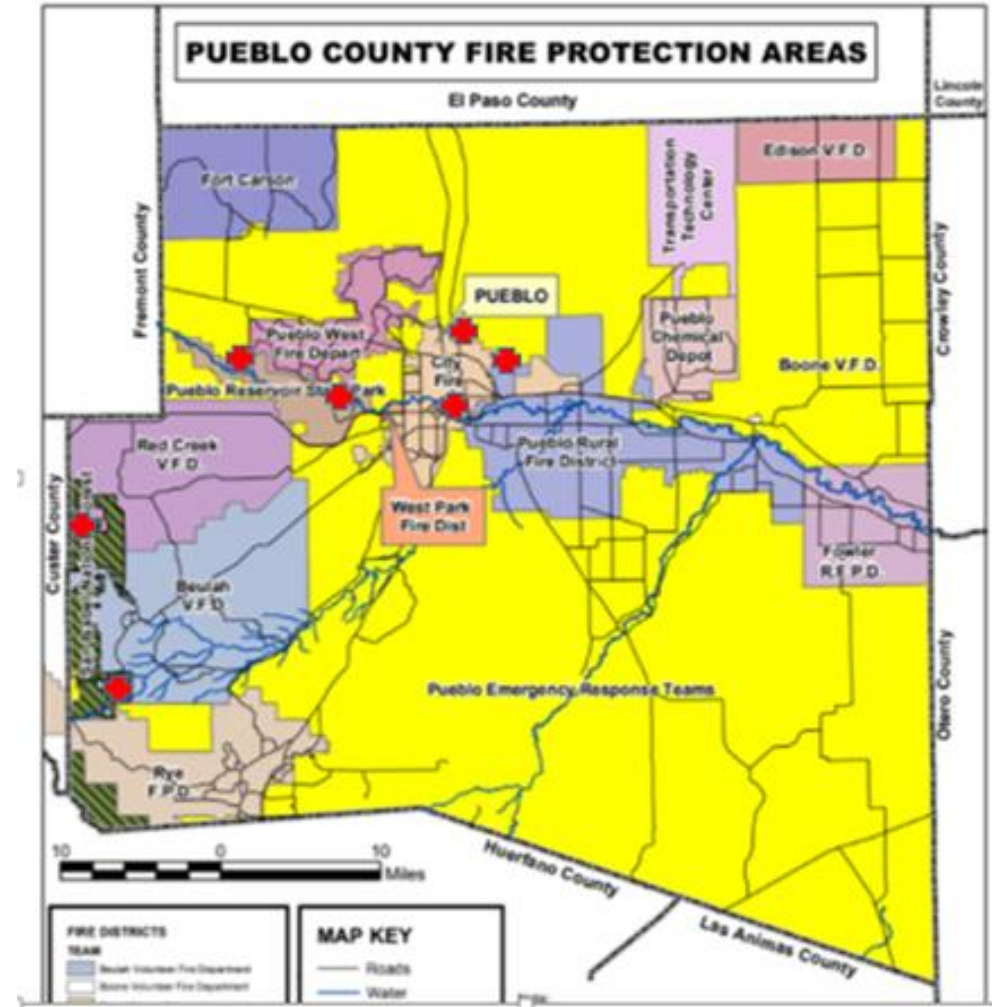
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## Search & Rescue Team

- Called-out on 7 missions: **2016-Present**
  - Searches: 4
    - Evidence
    - 2 Lost Person
    - Missing Child
  - Rescues/Recoveries: 3
    - River - Swift Water Rescue
    - Drowning
    - Injured Hiker



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## Search & Rescue Team

- Members have obtained Certifications in:
  - Wilderness First Aid/Responder
  - First Aid/CPR
  - National Incident Management System
  - Flight for Life Lift Ticket
  - Search and Rescue Technician II/III
  - Rope Rescue Technician
  - Swiftwater Rescue Technician
  - Wide Area Search
  - High Altitude Aviation Training Site Ground Hoist Technician
  - Canine Search and Recovery



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## Search & Rescue Team

- Total Combined Training Hours = **625+ over 4 semesters**
  - Clothing and Packs - All Seasons
  - GPS, Mapping, and Navigations
  - Search Strategy and Lost Person Behavior
  - Evidence Search/Crime Scene Preservation
  - Incident Command Systems
  - Medical Scenarios and Patient Packaging
  - Low Angle and High Angle Rope Rescue
- Hosted Trainings:
  - Swiftwater Rescue Technician ( 7 Students & 7 Community)
  - Rope Rescue Technician (2 Students & 9 Community)
  - Wide Area Search certification classes (6 students & 9 Community)



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**I'VE LEARNED SO MUCH IN MY TIME WITH CSU-PUEBLO SAR. RESCUE SKILLS, PEOPLE SKILLS, MARKETING SKILLS... YOU NAME IT. I LOVE THIS TEAM.**

**~ JENNIFER DE GROOT (PRESIDENT; MASS COMMUNICATIONS)**

**I JOINED THE TEAM WITH AN INTEREST IN BUILDING ON MY TECHNICAL SKILLS AND HANGING WITH FRIENDS; HOWEVER I FOUND THAT WITH EVERY TRAINING MY INTEREST GREW INTO A PASSION AND I LOVE THAT I CAN LEARN THESE SKILLS WHILE HELPING COMMUNITY. ~ KYLA HUNTLEY (COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER; WILDLIFE BIOLOGY)**



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~ REESE IRWIN (TRAINING MANAGER; MBA)

**I AM SO PROUD OF THE WORK THE TEAM IS DOING. WE ARE STRENGTHENING THE COMMUNITY BY BRINGING TOGETHER A VARIETY OF STUDENTS, SUPPLEMENTING THEIR ACADEMIC LEARNING, EXPOSING THEM TO UNIQUE VOLUNTEER AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES, AND ENCOURAGING COLLABORATION AMONG PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINES.**  
~ ISABEL TAYLOR (VICE PRESIDENT; NURSING)



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Student Directed Fundraising & Networking

- Student Developed - Promotional Video

<https://www.csupueblo.edu/student-recreation/search-and-rescue-team.html>

- Crowdfunding Raised \$450.00 as of Spring '18

- SAR Equipment Donation - Larimer County Search and Rescue Team -\$2500+



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### Future Development:

- Develop Emergency Response Certificate
- Collaborate with On-Campus Academic Partnerships (Political Science, Recreation, Extended Studies)
- Expand the Team (25 deployable students)
- Host Regional Trainings
- Develop a SAR/Emergency Response Conference
- Create a SAR Academy for Youth (SAR KIDS)
  - Local programs – Pueblo Explorers
  - High schools – Arapahoe Rescue Patrol



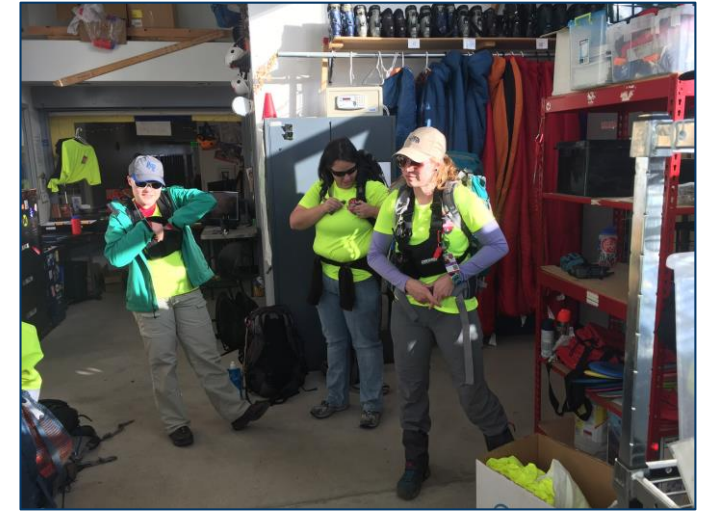
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## Questions?



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