

SOUND OFF - SEPTEMBER 2021

HEADING INTO HEARING PROTECTION MONTH



Did you know that once you lose your hearing, you can't get it back? October is Hearing Protection Month and the Marion Downs Center remains committed to hearing health with audiologic evaluations and hearing protection consultations.

Noise exposure and hearing loss impacts millions of people in the United States. 5 in 10 young adults receive excessive noise exposure from music and other audio sources. The majority of adults over 60 years old are not able to hear high-pitched sounds. Many people don't know they have hearing loss either.

MEASURING SOUND IN DECIBELS

We measure sound in decibels (dB), however the decibel scale is not linear. An increase of 10 dB represents a 10x increase in loudness while an increase of 20 dB means the sound is getting 100 times louder!

It only takes 1 minute of exposure at 120 dB to cause hearing damage versus 2 hours at 90 dB. It only takes 1 minute of exposure at 120 dB to cause hearing damage versus 2 hours at 90 dB. It's very important to protect your hearing in loud environments!

LEARN MORE ABOUT PROTECTING YOUR EARS

Hazel Miller Confirmed for our Legacy Livestream!
6:30 to 8:00 PM Thursday, November 4, 2021



We are excited to announce that Hazel Miller will be joining us again for our 2021 Legacy Livestream! We are ready for Hazel to "bring it" with her versatility in different genres of music including soul, blues, jazz, and pop.

6:30 to 8:00 PM - Thursday, November 4, 2021

Legacy Donation Tickets Available now!

BUY YOUR LEGACY DONATION TICKETS!

STAFF PROFILE: AARON ROSE, M.S.D.E



Aaron Rose, M.S.D.E., has been with the Marion Downs Center since March 2020 in the role of Marketing and Outreach Coordinator.

Aaron earned his Masters of Science in Deaf Education from Washington University School of Medicine in 2010 and spent three years teaching deaf and hard of hearing students in Aurora Public Schools. After his daughter was born, Aaron switched gears, diving into media production and outreach for non-profit organizations focusing on Cued Speech and cued language services.

From coordinating our first ever Legacy Livestream to overhauling our website, Aaron has been busy behind the scenes capturing stories and sharing them with our community. He also continues to support our programs and aspires to see more inclusive outdoor opportunities for deaf and hard of hearing teens in Colorado.

In addition to spending time with his family outdoors, Aaron enjoys landscape photography, splitboarding in the Colorado backcountry, and working on home improvement projects.

DEAF AWARENESS MONTH 2021



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COMMUNICATION MODALITIES IN THE UNITED STATES

American Sign Language
Cued American English

English-based Sign Systems
Spoken American English

TYPES OF ACCOMMODATIONS

American Sign Language interpreters
Assistive Listening Devices (FM systems, Bluetooth)
CART (Communication Access Realtime Translation)
Captioned Media (Closed or Open Captioning)
Cued Language Transliterators
Hearing Technology (aids, cochlear implant)

Note Takers
Testing Accommodations (extra time, private room, etc)
Tactile Alarm Systems (Bed Shakers)
Video Relay Services
Video Remote Interpreting/Transliterating
Visual Emergency Alert Systems

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Did you know that deaf and hard of hearing individuals may use more than one mode of communication for access?

September is Deaf Awareness Month and the Marion Downs Center remains committed to providing inclusive and equitable services for deaf and hard of hearing individuals.

Deafness comes in many different forms from individuals born profoundly deaf to adults who lose their hearing later in life. Not all deaf individuals identify with Deaf culture. Some may have vision challenges in addition to hearing loss.

Many different types of accommodations exist for the deaf, hard of hearing, and deaf/blind too! Access refers to the ability to get information auditory, visually, or tactile and typically refers to modes of communication but can also refer to environmental information such as alarms or the sound of knocking on a door. Accommodations refer to the types of supports to facilitate access or provide an equitable experience.

[READ MORE ABOUT ACCESS AND ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE DEAF](#)

Support Marion Downs Center

Make a minimum donation of \$250 to receive Colorado Child Care Tax Credit!

Did you know that you can claim an income tax credit of 50% of total qualifying contributions to promote child care in Colorado?

Make a minimum donation of \$250 to qualify your donation for the Child Care Tax Credit, and indicate on your donation that you would like to receive the tax credit!

Be sure to make your donation before December 31st to receive your Colorado Child Care Tax Credit form in January.

[MAKE A DONATION](#)

DONATE YOUR USED HEARING DEVICES

Donate your used hearing aids, cochlear implants or assistive listening devices to

someone in need through the Marion Downs Center's financial assistance program.



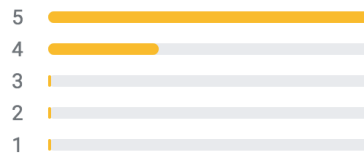
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