



# Families First

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It's **SUMMER!**

Time for **FAMILY FUN!**

Look what you can do for **FREE!**



**Go to the Mall!**

**PIGS on PEDESTALS**  
**Park Meadows Shopping Center**  
**June 15 to July 10**

Vote for your favorite pig!  
Kick-Off Party Sat afternoon, June 16

THANK YOU to  
**The CRAZY MERCHANT, Inc.**  
*Proud Sponsor of*  
*Pigs on Pedestals and*  
*The Country Fair*  
for 20 years



2012 DENVER GREEK FESTIVAL  
JUNE 15, 16 & 17, 2012

**Go to a Festival!**

[www.TheGreekFestival.com](http://www.TheGreekFestival.com)

**Come Eat, Drink and Dance**  
**Like a GREEK! OPA!**

**Kids 12 & under FREE Adults just \$2**

Non-stop Greek bands and dancers!  
Homemade Greek food and pastries!

We are proud to be Charity Partners  
for the Festival for the 3rd year.

Once again we're giving away  
FREE Children's Books at our booth.

***We need Children's Books!***

**Do you have new or lightly used Children's Books that you'd like to donate?**

Drop off your books at our Family Center anytime Mon-Fri 9am to 4pm  
or contact [Alice@FamiliesFirstColorado.org](mailto:Alice@FamiliesFirstColorado.org).

**TAGAWA GARDENS** is a beautiful place to wander!  
**FREE Family Fun** on the weekends. Details on [www.TagawaGardens.com](http://www.TagawaGardens.com).

If you find something you can't resist, mention Families First  
at check out\* and a portion of your sale will go to us! **Through June 13**

***THE COUNTRY FAIR***

Sunday, July 15 - Four Mile Historic Park  
Fun for the whole family. Live music by the Walker Williams Band.

Wagon rides, Kids Corral, Country Store, Dancing, Wine Tasting  
Get your tickets by July 6!

303-745-0327 [www.FamiliesFirstColorado.org](http://www.FamiliesFirstColorado.org)

## **FORE FAMILIES FIRST Golf Tournament**

Monday, August 20 - Bear Dance  
Viva Las Vegas!

Early Bird Registration by July 20

For more information, contact [Jo@FamiliesFirstColorado.org](mailto:Jo@FamiliesFirstColorado.org)

### **FREE Parenting Support** *At Families First, it's what we do!*

**FREE 1.800.CHILDREN**

**FREE BLOG** for Strong Families

[www.familiesfirstblog.blogspot.com](http://www.familiesfirstblog.blogspot.com)

*These past few years have been a humbling experience for me and my children and while it has been a stressful time, many good things have come of it. For example, in our family, we value time together now more than ever. To read more, go to blogspot!*



**FREE Children's Groups**  
with every Families First  
Parenting Group or Class

**FREE Circle of Parents GROUPS**

...and **Parenting CLASSES** at the price YOU can afford!

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*I learned to trust my parenting choices and know that I'm the right person for the job!*

*me siento muy bien con este grupo porque cada quien da su opinion y asi unas a las otras nos ayudamos. (I feel very good with this group because each one of us share our opinions and that's how we help one another.)*

*I've come to realize that the way my parents raised me got the job done but didn't equip me to be an effective parent. You've given me practical ideas that I can actually implement - things that make sense and are easy enough to do.*



**Take a Walk!**

*Kim Forrest and her  
daughter Alyssa  
at the Colfax 5K!*

**THANK YOU** to everyone who supported  
our very first **TEAM FAMILIIES FIRST**  
at the **COLFAX MARATHON** on May 19 & 20.

*I think I can speak for all when I say that we had so much fun  
running as a team and cheering each other on. There was a  
sense of pride in wearing a bib for charity.*

*Sally Hallingstad*

## Concerts for Kids Community Day

**THANK YOU** to the volunteers from **CBIZ** who came out to help us on May 19 with projects at the Children's Treatment Center. This great group painted our meeting room and dug up the front gardens - ready for some new landscaping and our Pathway for Prevention!



**Dig in the Garden!**

### IN-KIND DONATIONS

*We'd like to acknowledge the generosity of individuals and companies who provided us with in-kind donations in April and May 2012.*

Laura Daily, Ian and Gavin Rolls, Debra Perry, Lydia Woodard, Toni Tucker, Lyn Schaffer, Mary Palmer, Glory Weisberg, Barb Reece, Piney Creek Relief Society, Friends Foundation-Denver Public Library

Special Thanks to Young Philanthropists

*Dalton and Colton Baldwin and Caity Henderson*

who collected children's toys, books, clothes, crafts and bikes for the children at our Children's Treatment Center in lieu of birthday gifts for themselves.

### SPECIAL GIVING RECOGNITION

#### In Memory Of:

Sue Bair by Sharon Bair

Matt Brown by Jean Pryor

#### In Honor Of:

Colton Baldwin by Libby Ford

Daphyne Reiff by Friends for Families First

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Emily Kasper and Ramie Hencmann by Mary Hencmann

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