



MEDIA ADVISORY

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TRE to host adaptive car-building event for children with disabilities at Jaxon Engineering

Eight area toddlers will receive brand new customized wheels that help them make developmental strides

The Resource Exchange (TRE) will take its unique and fun GoBabyGo! event back on the road, Friday, April 1st! Build teams of volunteers, therapists, and technicians will assemble and customize miniature ride-on motorized cars designed to increase mobility for eight area toddlers with developmental disabilities or delays who cannot walk unassisted.

WHAT: The Resource Exchange Go Baby Go! Build Day

WHEN: Friday, April 1, 2022 10:00 AM-12:00 AM:
Families will arrive with children, decorate the cars, and therapists will make final modifications to the miniature cars built by volunteers before the children take them for a spin.
The best photo opportunities will be between 10:30 and 11:30 AM.

WHERE: Jaxon Engineering 5825 Mark Dabling Blvd, Suite 100 Colorado Springs, CO 80919

OF NOTE:

- Jaxon Engineering will comprise all eight build teams, a total of 30 employee volunteers. Volunteers work with the child's therapist and technicians as a team to build the car for their assigned child.
- Go Baby Go! cars are free to the TRE families attending and provide an opportunity for the children to direct their own movement, many for the first time.
- TRE's Early Intervention therapists incorporate the vehicle into the child's ongoing personalized development plan to help the child learn new skills, meet developmental milestones, and explore the world around them.
- TRE's Early Intervention Teams work with babies and children from birth through age three with developmental delays or disabilities across El Paso, Teller and Park counties. Early Intervention is provided to Colorado families at no cost.
- Story for reference – Go Baby Go! event held July 2021 at SCHEELS:
<https://krdo.com/news/2021/07/30/motorized-cars-give-toddlers-with-disabilities-ability-to-move-on-their-own/>
- Go Baby Go! was developed by the College of Health Sciences at the University of Delaware founded by Dr. Cole Galloway receiving nationwide accolades with over 40 locations across the US: <http://sites.udel.edu/gobabygo/ride-on-cars/>

Advocating for independence and inclusion, The Resource Exchange (TRE) partners with children and adults who have a variety of disabilities, delays, mental health or long-term care needs. We do this using a person-centered approach in coordinating care, promoting choices, and collaborating with community partners.

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