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10/6/2017 Greeley, CO – Become Inspired: Immerse yourself in the unique and expressive collection created by the talented artists supported through Envision's Art Program.

The Community Foundation serving Greeley and Weld County and Flood and Peterson invite you to "Become Inspired" at the annual H'Art of Envision Art Show and Opening Reception from 5 to 8 PM during Greeley's First Friday in October. This is a free, public, and family friendly art showing held at Joe Molina Gallery and Studios in Downtown Greeley. This art showing is a unique and expressive collection created by the talented artists supported through Envision's Art Program. The event showcases paintings, ceramics and other types of media created by adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). Guests will enjoy meeting the artists, watching as a piece is created live, music, complimentary beer, wine and light refreshments. "Our guests walk in and are taken back by the talent and imaginative works created by the artists in Envision's Art Program and it is easy to walk out genuinely inspired!" — Beth Allen, Fund Development and Communications Coordinator for Envision. envisionco.org/inspired

Date: Friday, October 6, 2017, Greeley's First Friday

Time: 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Location: Joe Molina Gallery and Studios, 930 8th Ave., Greeley, Colorado 80631

Admission: Free, open to the public and family friendly.

Other Details: Music will include students from UNC's Day of Music and art will be

on display and for sale following the event during normal gallery hours.

ABOUT ENVISION'S ART PROGRAM:

Envision's art classes are intended to build on the natural creative skills of people to increase their social and emotional skills, improve dexterity, enhance ability to focus, and improve self esteem. The goal of the program is not to teach painting, drawing or sculpting in a traditional manner, but to provide the materials, support and encouragement to develop natural talents. If done with care and respect, the art produced can be a window to the soul of the complex and diverse people supported by Envision.

ABOUT ENVISION:

Envision is the Community Centered Board (CCB) serving Weld County, one of 20 such entities in the State of Colorado. Every year, Envision provides case management and a diverse set of person-centered services that support more than 2,500 children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) or delays and their families in Weld County annually. Envision is dedicated to providing programs and services that promote inclusion based on person centered practices focused on full participation in home and community life.

Through in-house programs and contracts with a network of more than 69 provider agencies, professionals, community businesses and other services, Envision facilitates a comprehensive support program in a broad spectrum of settings, including the person or family home, 24-hour on-site staff, scheduled support staff, host homes and group homes. Services may include the provision of living environments, therapies, transportation related to services, medication administration and monitoring, ancillary medical care, meal preparation, daily living skills, personal care, access to community services, interpersonal relationships, recreation and leisure activities, group and individual supported employment, adaptive equipment, home modification, and more. More info: envisionco.org.

Below are a few more ways that Envision's services help Colorado:

- Helps infants and toddlers with developmental delays catch up with their peers
- Keeps children at home with their families instead of being placed in out-of-home locations
- Assists adults to live a life of their own design; supports adults so they can work and volunteer in their community
- Provides cost-effective care for people whose families can no longer care for them
- Saves taxpayer dollars by arranging for targeted assistance to prevent a negative chain of events
- Allows parents and families to remain stable, employed and on private health insurance

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