



Tri-Lakes Cares is partnering with Pikes Peak United Way to bring the Poverty Simulator to the D38 School Admin Building on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. located at 146 Jefferson St in downtown Monument.

What is the Poverty Simulator? The Poverty Simulator breaks down stereotypes by allowing participants to step into the real life situations of others. Poverty is often portrayed as a standalone issue but this simulation allows individuals to walk a simulated month in the shoes of someone who is facing poverty and realize how complex and interconnected issues of poverty really are. The simulation exercise and debriefing will last 2 hours.

Why? Although it uses “play” money, fictional scenarios and time limits, it is not a game. It’s a simulation that enables participants to view poverty from different angles and then discuss the potential for change within local communities. It’s designed to create a broader awareness among community members.

Who is invited? Everyone! We’d love to have folks from the fire and police departments, local town administration, school district employees, nonprofit service club members, church members, policymakers, business owners, chamber members and other community members like you. Youth are welcome and encouraged to participate as well but we respectfully ask that they are at least 12 years of age.

After the experience, individuals will have the opportunity to discuss what they learned with their peers. This is a profoundly moving experience that will move you to think about the realities of poverty and to talk about how our local community can address the problem. If you are interested in participating in the Poverty Simulator, please RSVP to Tri-Lakes Cares at RSVP@Tri-LakesCares.org or by calling to reserve your spot at 719-481-4864 x109, by September 23, 2016. Refreshments will be served and space is limited, so RSVP today.

Sincerely,

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Tri-Lakes Cares

