

FELLOW PROFILE

Fellow's Name: Ali Baird

Fellow's Partner Organization: PEAK Parent Center

What are your main responsibilities as a PIFP fellow?

-Develop an annual report -Assist with recruitment of corporate sponsors -Intra-agency communications

What's the most interesting thing you've learned in your fellowship so far?

IEP (Individualized Learning Plan) meetings are very challenging and it's important that families know their rights in order to best advocate for an inclusive educational experience for their children.

Why did you want to become a PIFP Fellow?

-To gain skills and experience in the non-profit world -T o engage more in the Colorado Springs community

What activities outside of your work do you enjoy?

- The Great British Baking Show
- making banana bread
- Bananagrams

What is something most people would be surprised to know about you?

In fourth grade, I created an eraser club with my friends at recess and we would draw faces on our erasers and give them really elaborate backstories. We did this for a year and I amassed a real large eraser collection. I still really like erasers.