

Proposal to PWV Board of Directors to fund First Aid/CPR & Wilderness First Aid classes

Reasons to offer and fund the class:

- These classes are consistent with the USFS and PWV **missions** (“...*Poudre Wilderness Volunteers recruits, trains, equips and fields citizen volunteers to serve as wilderness rangers and hosts for the purpose of educating the public, and provides other appropriate support to these wild areas.*”)
- These classes are considered “**core classes**” in the Supplemental Training catalog (“*The purpose of the Supplemental Training Committee is to provide opportunities for members to improve and refresh skills and knowledge base for conducting patrols, educating the hiking public, being good stewards of the forest, and generating more interest in serving PWV in other capacities. Listed in priority, topics include:*
 1. *Safety related skills such as First Aid, CPR, navigation, and wilderness survival.*
 2. *Knowledge to further improve competence in performing trail patrol duties...*”)
- The **public** expects those “wearing the shirt” to be competent in an emergency.
- This competence increases our patrollers’ **confidence** on the trail.
- First Aid/CPR are required for **Sawyer** certification.
- Feedback on the classes taught by any vendor is always positive; members **value** these classes.
- Participation** increases when the classes are paid for or subsidized.

Considerations/parameters to discuss

Who can attend?

- make them available to all members.
- offer the classes to members who meet certain criteria, such as time in PWV, roles in PWV (ex: Trail Crew, back-country patrollers), level of participation including patrols and other PWV activities.
- offer the classes to members in their second year or beyond who are in good standing (completed previous year’s patrols and Volunteer Agreement.)

Funding:

- PWV pays the entire cost of the classes.
- PWV and members share the cost of the classes (50%).

-budget a set amount each year for the classes; first come first served or lottery. Wait list for next year.

-offer one free class per member or household. Renewals are up to the individual.

Instructors:

-use only one vendor.

-use a variety of vendors.

-use the lowest cost vendor.

-use the vendor more people prefer.

-use the vendor that can meet our time and location parameters.

-use endowment money to fund the classes.

-use general funds to support the classes.

-fund-raise to support the classes.

-PWV pays for the venue.

-the vendor pays for the venue (teaching the class is a business.)

2022 First Aid/CPR prices

	Joe Cox \$50		Tim Gaines \$70		Susan Cruz \$50		notes
#	<u>Full cost</u>	<u>50%</u>	<u>Full cost</u>	<u>50%</u>	<u>Full Cost</u>	<u>50%</u>	
10	500	250	700	350	500	250	
20	1,000	500	1,400	700	1,000	500	
30	1,500	750	2,100	1,050	1,500	750	
40	2,000	1,000	2,800	1,400	2,000	1,000	
50	3,000	1,500	4,200	2,100	3,000	1,500	
60	3,500	1,750	4,900	2,450	3,500	1,750	
70	3,500	1,750	4,900	2,450	3,500	1,750	
80	4,000	2,000	5,600	2,800	4,000	2,000	
90	4,500	2,250	6,300	3,150	4,500	2,250	

Notes from Joe Cox: HeartSmart First Aid and CPR cards are issued, good for two years.

Notes from Tim Gaines: American Heart Association cards are issued, good for two years.

2022 Wilderness First Aid Class prices

	Joe Cox \$100		Tim Gaines 100/155		Susan Cruz \$150		Notes
#	<u>Full cost</u>	<u>50%</u>	<u>Full cost</u>	<u>50%</u>	<u>Full Cost</u>	<u>50%</u>	
10	1,000	500	1,000	500	1,500	750	classroom
10			1,550	775			with field experience
20	2,000	1,000	2,000	1,000	3,000	1,500	classroom
20			3,100	1,550			with field experience
30	3,000	1,500	3,000	1,500	4,500	2,250	classroom
30			4,650	2,325			with field experience
40	4,000	2,000	4,000	2,000	6,000	3,000	classroom
40			6,200	3,100			with field experience

Notes from Joe Cox:

I have offered to teach WFA for PWV. It is basically a two day class. If we required current CPR/Basic First Aid certification prior to the class, we could probably get it done in a long day or day and a half. Through the Health & Safety Institute, participants would receive a 2 year Wilderness First Aid certification under the American Safety & Health Institute.

Because I am a member of PWV, I would do the full class for a minimum of \$500 or only \$100 per person, whichever is greater. Class size would need to be a minimum of 5-12 per class. That would include student materials & certification, if PWV provides the location. As I mentioned before, I have already made a contact with the Unitarian Universalist church in Ft. Collins. And I would be glad to collaborate with other instructors if we wanted to do a larger class with multiple instructors. It doesn't

matter to me what brand they are certified through, as long as they get appropriate training relative to PWV standards & expectations.

Notes from Tim Gaines:

Basic class, 8 hours classroom = \$100

Standard class-classroom + field session, 16 hours total = \$155

Hardcopy and EBook versions are available

Subtract \$10 from Wilderness First Aid Basic class costs for students from non-profit organizations or returning customers with at least 2 years of classes from us.

Subtract \$15 from Wilderness First Aid Standard class costs for students from non-profit organizations or returning customers with at least 2 years of classes from us.

Notes from Susan Cruz: her costs are the same as last year. Scenarios may take place outside the classroom, weather permitting. She co-teaches the class with Dr. Janice Weixelman, a certified Search and Rescue physician. Classes are set up as they receive requests.