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**I. Project Vision:**

Encourage the Colorado Orthodox community to participate together in learning about and serving their neighbors in need, consistent with Christ's Call to Love.

**II. Objectives:**

**1. Participate:**

Create opportunities for parishioners to participate in pan-Orthodox activities to learn about Christ's Call to Love and assist in ministries which help those in need.

**2. Provide:**

Develop a uniquely Orthodox response to those who are in need.

**3. Proclaim:**

Establish an Orthodox spiritual presence in an underserved community of Colorado.

**III. Immediate Goals:**

**1. Encourage parishes in their existing work:**

Host periodic meetings of parish outreach leaders to share what's being done by our parishes. We believe informing each other about our work will energize and provide creative examples for all, as well as help expand our existing efforts.

**2. Educate us all on Christ's Call to Love:**

Produce podcasts and videos, and host periodic retreats that encourage/support Orthodox outreach efforts, all of which can expand our understanding of Christ's Call to Love.

**3. Host opportunities for our parishioners to help others:**

Provide practical opportunities to put Christ's Call to Love into action. These opportunities will be open to all parishes, and we hope the activities will build stronger relationships and partnerships among our parishes.

**4. Build a website that supports the achievement of our goals: [GoodSamaritanColo.org](http://GoodSamaritanColo.org).**

**IV. Long-Term Goals:**

**1. Begin researching how to accomplish our Provide and Proclaim objectives.**



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## Resources:

- I. More about Fr. Paul and his ministry:
  1. Neighborhood Resilience Project: <https://neighborhoodresilience.org>
  2. St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church: [stmosesonthe hill.com](http://stmosesonthehill.com)
  3. A two-part Ancient Faith podcast with Fr. Andrew Stephen Damick interviewing Fr. Paul: [https:// www.ancientfaith.com/podcasts/orthodoxengagement](https://www.ancientfaith.com/podcasts/orthodoxengagement)
  4. TEDx talk on Trauma Informed Community Development: <https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=fr.+Paul+Abernathy+TED&view=detail&mid=07F76FEA20FD338045DF07F76FEA20FD338045DF&FORM=VIRE>
- II. Christ's Call to Love: The Good Samaritan Project:
  1. Fr. Evan Armatas interviews Colorado clergy and partner organizations about Christ's Call to Love: <https://www.goodsamaritancolo.org/podcasts>
  2. The Good Samaritan Project has completed a series of short video podcasts that explore the Parable of the Good Samaritan from a variety of patristic perspectives: You can view the podcasts here: <https://www.goodsamaritancolo.org/copy-of-video-introduction-invitation>