





#### COVID-19 UPDATE: MASK PUBLIC ORDER IN EFFECT

Information as of Dec. 22.

Through at least Jan. 2, face masks must be worn by everyone ages 2 and up in all public indoor places in Adams County per a Tri-County Health Department public order. This is regardless of vaccination status.

The order includes all indoor City of

Northglenn facilities.

As of the Dec. 22 print date, Tri-County has not extended the order. However, any updates will be publicized at www. tchd.org/covid19 and subsequently at www.northglenn.org.

No events have been cancelled or modified, though masks must be

worn inside facilities. Any updates on scheduled programs will be posted at www.northglenn.org.

For more details on COVID-19 testing, vaccines, or boosters, go to Page 5.

Read the entire public order at www.northglenn.org/maskorder.

## \$1.54M in Open Space Grants for City

### Funds Going Toward **Justice Center West** Park, Croke Reservoir

On Dec. 7, the Adams designed to fit in with County Board improvements to Croke Community Reservoir. Funds for the Drive. grants came from the voter-approved Open The city will be Space Sales Tax.

#### **Justice Center** West Park: \$1.5M

The city envisions Justice Center West Park as a water-wise and ADA-compliant neighborhood park. Planned furnishings, and landscaping that are all will include:

of the natural contours of Commissioners (BOCC) the site and take advanawarded the city tage of the Front Range \$1.54 million in open views. The area for the space grants for the proposed park is just city's planned Justice west of the Northglenn Center West Park and Justice Center, 50 W. Center

> working to secure the remaining \$3.5 million for the project in 2022. Funding must be secured before breaking ground on the project.

#### Croke Reservoir Improvements: \$40K

amenities include play- The Croke Reservoir grounds, an adventure Improvements project course, trails, public comprises a comprehenart, signage, lighting, sive education/regulations sign package. This



- A consolidated theme
- Reduced sign clutter
- Ground surface signs at major entrances
- 3-foot post signs to deter social trail entrances
- Approximately 360 feet of post-and-cable fencing at the western trail edge to further dation, bank destabilization, and box of

culvert trespass

• ADA-compliant fishing area at the southeast corner of the site where anglers already congregate.

These improvements will enhance the recreational amenities, security, and conservation of Croke Reservoir for existing and future users.

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tions that came from Croke Reservoir Sub-Committee. Work is scheduled for 2022.

#### A BIG Thank You!

The city would like to thank the BOCC and Adams County Open Space Board for this wonderful gift, as well as the actions of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and community deter wetland degra- This will allow the city members who took the implement many time to write letters of support.

#### IN THIS EDITION

**TEMPORARY SHELTER: Council** approves using the old rec center as an overnight shelter through March. > Page 2

#### **APB FOR WARD 1 RESIDENTS:**

The Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board has an opening for a Ward 1 resident. Page 5

**GET CULTURED:** The Parsons Theatre will host a number of productions, concerts and movies in the coming months. Pages 6 and 8

#### **CLOSURES**

City facilities will be closed or have modified schedules in observance of the New Year's Day and the Martin Luther King Jr. Day holidays.

#### City Hall, Maintenance & **Operations Building, and Court**

• Closed Thurs., Dec. 30, Fri., Dec. 31 and Mon., Jan. 17

#### **Northglenn Senior Center**

Closed Dec. 31

#### **Northglenn Recreation Center**

- Open 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Dec. 31
- Closed Jan. 1

Since New Year's Day falls on Saturday, trash will be picked up as normal. However, the Yard Waste Mulching Center will be closed Jan. 1.

Trash collection will be picked up as normal on Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

### City Council Legislative Recap: Dec. 2021

Here is a recap of recent votes, a glance into the most discussed topics and a look ahead for City Council. Council votes on two types of items: An ordinance (CB) is an enforceable law or regulation that requires two majority votes by council to pass; a resolution (CR) is a decision, opinion, policy or directive and only requires one majority vote to pass.

#### DEC. 6: SPECIAL MEETING

- **Presentation:** Good Neighbor Awards
- Financial Report: October 2021 Update
- Consent Agenda: CR-125 Citizens' Affairs Board Reappointment - Michael Watkins; CR-126 Historic Preservation Commission Reappointment - Lauren Weatherly; CR-127 Liquor Licensing Authority Reappointment - Michael Olivieri; CR-128 Liquor Licensing Authority Reappointment - Sharon Whitman; CR-129 VALE Board Reappointment - Patricia Marquez; **CR-130** VALE Board Reappointment - Ashley Witkovich; CR-131 Youth Commission Reappointment - Nazly Soufiani; CR-133 City Clerk Salary; CR-134 2022 Pay Plan and Personnel Summary Amendments; CR-135 2022 Police Department Records Terminal Guard IGA; CR-139 2022 Landfill Services Contract; CR-140 Traffic Signals Purchase Order; *CR-143* Northwest Open Space Fence Installation – passed
- unanimously Resolutions:
  - CR-132 Low Zone Tank Recoating Change Order – passed unanimously
  - CR-136 Council Policies Amendment -

- Council Assigned Equipment passed unanimously
- CR-137 Outside Agency Funding Grants - passed unanimously as amended
- CR-138 Laboratory and Operations Management System Project Contract Amendment - passed unanimously
- CR-141 First Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement for the 120th Avenue Roadway Project passed unanimously
- CR-142 Qualified Emergency Service Declaration – passed unanimously
- CR-144 Approval of the 2022 Legislative Issues Guide - passed unanimously
- CR-145 Compliance with Tri-County Health Department's Public Health Order Requiring Face Coverings passed unanimously as amended
- Presentation: Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board Update

#### DEC. 13: ORGANIZATIONAL **MEETING**

• Recognition: Ward 2 Council Member Joyce Downing. View her farewell video recognizing 30 years of service at www. youtube.com/cityofnorthglenn.

#### City Council Oaths of Office:

- Ward 1: Nicholas Walker
- Ward 2: Jay Jaramillo
- Ward 3: Julie Duran Mullica
- Ward 4: Shannon Lukeman-Hiromasa
- Ward 4: Jenny Willford
- CR-146 Election of Mayor Pro Tem Ashley Witkovich - failed, 4-5 (no votes Brown, Jaramillo, Goff, Duran Mullica, Willford)
- CR-146 Election of Mayor Pro Tem Jenny Willford – passed, 6-3 (no votes Leighty, Walker, Witkovich)

#### **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

**Council meetings in January are** in-person, unless noted.

- Jan. 3: Legislative Dinner, Council Orientation (off-site, not broadcast)
- Jan. 8: Council Team Building (offsite, not broadcast)
- Jan. 10: Gender Neutral Code Revisions, Dolly Parton Imagination Library, Homelessness Update, Use of Electronic Participation Policy in **Non-Emergency Situations**
- Jan. 17: Cancelled due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Jan. 24: County Grant Acceptances, Council Liaison and Committee Appointments, Rehearing on New Retail Marijuana Store License Application (Discrete Greens, LLC)

# **USE FOR OLD REC CENTER**

TEMPORARY WINTER HOUSING

On Dec. 6, City Council approved the temporary use of the old recreation center located at 11801 Community Center Drive for winter housing from December 2021 through March 2022.

The old recreation center will serve as a temporary housing option for up to 25 individuals. Twenty users may apply for short-term overnight stay with a referral from community partners (the 20 would be the same participants for the season, not different people each night); five spots would be open to individuals referred by the Police Department.

Individuals are only allowed in the building during evening/night hours; no loitering during the day is allowed. This use is one-time only and temporary through March 2022 due to planned development of the site. The program opened Dec. 15; Adams County is funding the program and the Denver Rescue Mission operates it.

For details go to www.northglenn. **org/oldrectempuse**. Contact Assistant to the City Manager Rupa Venkatesh at rvenkatesh@northglenn.org or 720.376.8069 for more inquiries.

#### WANT TO HELP?

Interested in assisting with the temporary winter shelter at the old rec center? Denver Rescue Mission (DRM) could use help in collecting these items for up to 25 participants:

- Toiletries (travel size)
- Sleep masks, ear plugs, or music ear buds
- Warm clothing such as scarves, beanies, gloves and hand warmers
- Socks, underwear and thermals
- Paper products
- Food that doesn't need refrigeration or cooking

Items can be dropped off at the old recreation center after 7 p.m.

DRM also has volunteer opportunities to coordinate meals. Please go to www.northglenn.org/winterhelp or contact Community Resource Navigator Jayme Schledewitz at 720.682.4562 or *jschledewitz*@ northglenn.org with any questions.

#### YOUR THOUGHTS?

Here are options to learn more about council action and weigh in:

- Comments on city business or matters of community interest are heard at the start of regular meetings, and comments on items previously addressed by council during the meeting are heard at the end. Comments are not taken at study sessions.
- Anyone may address council in person or via phone. For the phone option, see the top of the agenda posted at www.northglenn.org/ webdocs. For in-person, there is a sign-in sheet or speak up when prompted by the mayor.
- Also, public comment may be submitted before the meeting starts via email at jsmall@northglenn.org or voicemail at 303.450.8757.
- You may also call or email the mayor or council members to share your opinion on city issues.

Contact details below.

#### **MEETINGS &** STUDY SESSIONS

City Council is required to have two meetings a month. They also typically have two study sessions monthly to learn about and discuss topics in-depth. Special meetings are scheduled if more time is needed to complete city business.

Time/Date: Council meetings are 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of the month.

Study sessions are 6 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month as needed.

**Location:** Meetings, study sessions and special meetings are held in City Council Chambers in the lower level of City Hall, 11701 Community Center Drive.

#### **WATCH & LEARN**

The public is invited to attend City Council meetings and study sessions in person.

Council meetings and study sessions are shown live on Comcast Channel 8 or 881 HD in Northglenn and on www.youtube. com/cityofnorthglenn.

Listen to the January meeting, study session and special meeting by phone at 720.961.5043. See the agenda at www.northglenn.org/ webdocs for meeting ID.

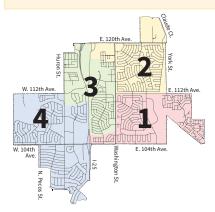
#### **Channel 8 Rebroadcast Schedule:**

- Sunday, Wednesday and Friday: Study sessions at 1 p.m., meetings at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday: Study sessions at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., meetings at 1 p.m.
- Monday: Meetings at 7 a.m., study sessions at 1 p.m.

Watch videos at www.youtube. com/cityofnorthglenn or www. northglenn.org/webdocs.

Audio recordings are available the day after meetings at www. northglenn.org/webdocs.

#### **CITY WARDS**



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Go to www.northglenn.org/webdocs for audio, video and documents from council meetings and study sessions.

#### MEET YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

WARD 2

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### City Manager's Column: A Letter from Heather Geyer Justium Leyer

### New Rec Center a Hit So Far!

In December, I attended the Motones & Jerseys show at the new Parsons Theatre. All I could think was "Wow!"



It was a blast! This was a quality show in a fantastic new venue for a reasonable price – right here in our city. I am happy to discover I am not the only person with this

Geyer reaction. We have had many people give positive feedback on the programs at our newest facility.

The new Northglenn Recreation Center, Senior Center & Theatre has had a successful opening – record numbers of drop-in visits and memberships, soldout shows in the theatre, a full preschool classroom, well-attended SilverSneakers classes and so much more! Overall, visits to the facility are about 20% above fall 2019 attendance. I fully expect that to grow as word about the quality of the center and programs spreads.

There are also new, affordable ways to experience the center. The recreation side has changed up memberships and passes to save users money and have more flexibility (see Page 7). Thanks to a new rehearsal space, the theatre is now able to partner with other arts nonprofits to offer more and different performances.

With the addition of a pool, now our classes and lessons have more room (as long as we stay fully staffed). The number of spaces available for rent has increased as well. From kid parties to social gatherings to work meetings - we have a space that will fit the need.

Finally, if you know someone looking for a fun job, send them our way. The workforce shortage is affecting everyone, including the city. We are trying our best to recruit and retain employees so it doesn't impact programming and services. > Go to www.northglenn.org/ jobs to see openings and apply.

- City Manager Heather Geyer

# Mayor's Memo: A Message from Mayor Meredith Leighty

# Top 5 Highlights for 2021

Happy New Year, Northglenn! I am looking forward to 2022 and will soon meet with City Council as a team to



Leighty

talk about what we want to accomplish this year. It will be exciting to hear from and work with our newest elected officials.

This month let's take a glance back at a few of the big accomplishments of 2021. Here are my Top 5 for Northglenn:

5. Roads & Streets. The city invested millions in infrastructure and finished up a five-year plan of street improvements in three years! That included big projects like repaving Irma Drive after sewer replacement and refinishing Washington Street. There were many smaller projects too, like restriping, gutter upgrades and traffic calming measures in conjunction with our No Need for Speed neighborhood program.

4. Inclusivity. Our commitment to diversity, inclusivity, and equity became more visible in 2021. In June we held the first government-sponsored Pride event in Adams County. Council, staff and boards and commissions had the opportunity to participate in training on how to be more culturally aware and inclusive. We also hosted a Hate Crimes Forum to have authentic dialogue about this community concern.

3. Supporting Vulnerable Populations. We used federal COVID funds for a position to support those in need in 2020. It became clear this type of service helped immensely in coordinating with our Police Department, Adams County programs and other community partners. In 2021, we again used federal funds to establish CRU – our Crisis Response Unit. CRU helps those in need find resources. For example, those with financial challenges that struggle with home upkeep, persons experiencing homelessness or are at risk of homelessness, and support to

individuals that qualify to use the old rec center as winter housing (a program we approved in December).

 $\textbf{2. COVID-19 Efforts.} \ \ \text{The pandemic} \\$ is still with us, and Northglenn perseveres. We continued to focus on what we CAN accomplish, a trait that makes me proud of our community. Events, programs and services resumed to near-normal levels with added safety precautions. We also offered numerous vaccine clinics in city facilities.

1. Our New Recreation Center, Senior Center and Parsons Theatre. This was by far our biggest achievement in 2021! Bigger, better and beautiful - this new facility is a huge point of pride in our community, and I am pleased to see so many people using the facility.

A new rec center may be hard to beat, however, I'm confident 2022 will bring even more points of pride.

Mayor Meredith Leighty

# Animal Impound......303.288.3294

Building Permits......303.450.8745 City Hall ......303.451.8326 City Clerk ......303.450.8756 City Court......303.450.8701 City Manager.....303.450.8709 Economic......303.450.8743

**PHONE** 

**NUMBERS EMERGENCIES: 911** 

Animal Control ......303.450.8886

Fire (non-emerg) ......303.452.9910 (North Metro Fire Rescue)

Graffiti Hotline......303.252.3849 Communications......303.450.8713 Neighborhood Services .303.280.7876

(Code Enforcement) Parks & Trails ......303.280.7821 Planning & Zoning......303.450.8739 Police (non-emergency).303.288.1535 Police Records ......303.450.8892

Rec Center ......303.450.8800 Senior Center......303.450.8801 Snow & Ice Removal......303.450.4001 Streets......303.450.4001 Trash & Recycling ......303.450.4004 Utility Billing......303.450.8770

Volunteering......303.450.8904 Water.....303.450.4045 Conservation Hotline

Water/Sewer Problems .. 303.450.8770

Water/Sewer......303.451.1289 24-hour Line

#### NORTHGLENN CONNECTION

The Northglenn Connection is delivered monthly to residents as a reference for city information and to learn about what is happening in the community. This and past editions are also at www.northglenn.org/connection. Contact John Eisel at jeisel@ northglenn.org for any questions, comments or concerns.

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

www.facebook.com/ cityofnorthqlenn



www.twitter.com/ NorthglennCo



www.youtube.com/ cityofnorthqlenn



nextdoor www.instagram.com/

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www.northglenn.org/



#### RESILIENT **YOUTH AWARDS**

Some teens have heavy issues to deal with. Do you know a young Adams County resident who has faced tough times

and worked through them?

Nominate that person for the Adams County Mayors & Commissioners Youth Awards. This program honors young residents who have faced

overwhelming obstacles to become successful and productive students and members of the community.

Nominees must be in sixth through 12th grade, up to 20 Nominations are due by Jan. 31 at https://bit.ly/ acmcya2022. For questions, email Jenni Murphy at jmurphy@northglenn.org.

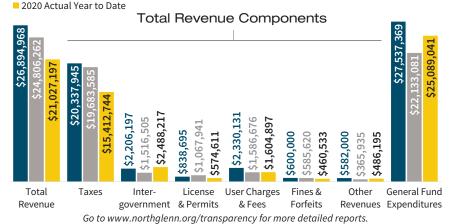
years old, as of Dec. 31, 2021.

#### October 2021 General Fund Financial Report

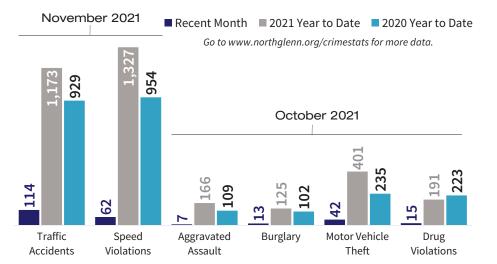
Unaudited figures are through the end of October.

■ 2021 Annual Budget

General Fund Expenditures Year to Date ■ 2021 Actual Year to Date is 80.4% of the 2021 Annual Budget



### **Northglenn Police Statistics**



# **HOLIDAY GREETINGS** On Dec. 10, Northglenn

businesses, City Council members, Historic Preservation Commission members, and city staff celebrated the holidays at Stonehocker Farmhouse for the 2021 Business Holiday After-Hours networking event.

#### **APPLY FOR BUSINESS INCOME TAX CREDITS**

Make sure your business pre-certifies for Enterprise Zone state income tax credits in 2022.

Most city businesses can earn these credits when purchasing Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment (FFE); hiring employees; offering formalized training; or providing health insurance. However, to qualify you must pre-certify each year, even if you have pre-certified in the past.

- ► To pre-certify for 2022 go to www.northglenn. org/enterprisezone.
- ► To find out if your business is eligible or for more details, contact Shannon Fields at 303.450.8938 or sfields@ northglenn.org.

## 2021 BUSINESS SURVEY

City of Northglenn Economic Development Department | 303.450.8743 | www.northglenn.org/biz

### Business Retention is the Foundation of a Healthy Local Economy, and is a Top Priority for the City.

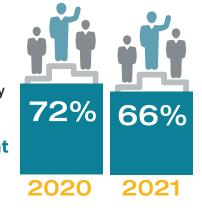
To better understand the business climate of Northglenn, the Economic Development Department distributed its 8th annual business survey to all companies in the city. The survey had 89 responses.

Made capital investments in 2021 Plan on making capital investments in **2022** 

### Top 5 Challenges in 2021

- 1. Cash Flow
- 2. Recruitment & Staffing
- 3. Access to Customers
- 4. Expanding Sales
- 5. Workforce Quality

Rate the availability of a qualified workforce as good to excellent



Had an increase in sales revenue in the last 12 months



Expect an increase in sales revenue in the next 12 months



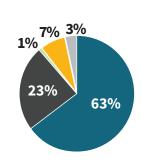
Expect to increase their workforce in the next 12 months, compared to 34% in 2020



Have less than 10 full-time employees



Plan to expand locally in the next 24 months, compared to 29% in 2020



### Respondents\*

\*3% were home-based

Service Restaurant

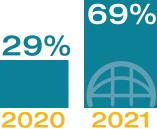
Retail **Entertainment** 

Manufacturing/Distribution

**75**%

Operate in less than 5,000 square feet of space





Plan to expand products and/or markets in the next 12 months

#### Q3 2021 NEW BUSINESSES

- Assisting Hands leased 1,231 square feet at 10701 Melody Drive, Suite 400. This home care company provides non-medical assistance in their clients' homes for people of all ages. They employ three people. For more information, call 720.780.7755 or go online to www.assistinghands. com.
- Meihao Express leased 1,750 square feet at 11970 Washington St. This fast food Asian restaurant employs two people. For more information, call 720.536.5220 or go online to www.meihaoexpressonline.com.
- Murray-Brown Laboratories purchased a 10,000-square-foot building at 11455 Pearl St. This laboratory provides final ingredient and product testing for food products, supplements, detergents, soaps, and other specialized chemicals.

- They employ 35 people. For more information, call 303.296.0264 or go to www.mb-labs.com.
- AutoNation USA purchased the 37,124-square-foot building at 759 W. 104th Ave. This pre-owned car dealership buys and sells used vehicle inventory and employs 24 people. For more information, call 720.923.1120 or go online to www. autonationusa.com.

Office Evolution welcomed these businesses to its co-working location at 11990 Grant St., Suite 550:

 Terra Element is a one-person massage therapist specializing in Swedish, deep tissue, stone, and prenatal massage as well as reflexology for the hands and feet. For more information, call 720.292.6343.

Phenix Salon Suites welcomed these one-person businesses to its location at 10620 Melody Drive, Unit F:

- Abundance Salon is a beauty salon that offers cut, styles, color, perm, special occasion styles, color, fades, waxing, and head shaves. For more information, call 720.450.4616.
- Beauty by Brooke is a beauty salon that specializes in cut, style, color, hair extensions, balayage, and blowouts. For more information, call 303.961.2047.
- The After Party Beauty Bar offers lash services such as extensions, lifts, and tints. For more information, call 303.667.4108.
- Rave Repairs leased 1,644 square feet at 554 Malley Drive. This

- one-person small electronics repair shop works on android, iPhone, and Samsung phones, along with tablets, computers, and iPads. For more information, call 720.379.3524.
- Shi Permanent Cosmetics leased 917 square feet at 11900 Grant St., Suite 305. This salon offers permanent cosmetic services for brows, lips, and eyeliner. They employ two people. For more information, call 720.593.9538 or go online to www. browslipseyeliner.com.
- Soul Inspiration leased 3,690 square feet at 1020 W. 104th Ave. This metaphysical/new age store offers retail products and counseling sessions. They employ five people. For more information, call 720.420.9666 or go online to www. soulinspirationllc.com.



# "Puffers" Often Fall Prey to Car Thieves

Leaving your car running unattended to warm up in the cold is a great big invitation for car thieves.

These crooks roam around neighborhoods, parking lots, gas stations and convenience stores looking for these vehi-

cles, commonly known as 'puffers.' It just takes a few seconds, and your car is gone.

is stolen, the harm goes beyond the hassle, anger and financial loss of reporting and possibly replacing the

vehicle. Criminals often use stolen vehicles to commit more misdeeds. They may also use any documents, keys Unfortunately, when a car or garage door openers in the vehicle to wreak havoc on your identity, security and peace of mind.

Thankfully – the solution is simple. Do not leave your car running unattended. If you want to make sure your car is warm in the morning, consider a remote starter. The keys aren't in the vehicle, making it harder for thieves to steal.



A warm car is not worth having it stolen.



#### OLD CITY STREET SIGNS FOR SALE

#### Own a little piece of city history!

A number of Northglenn street signs with the old oval logo are available for \$25. Just go to www.northglenncf.org/signs, which has a list of what is available. Proceeds benefit the Northglenn Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAAN). Signs must be picked up at the Maintenance & Operations Building during designated times. If you have questions, please call 720.598.2164 or email cpaaanorthglenn@gmail.com.

#### **CCPP BOARD OPENING FOR WARD 1**

Ward 1 residents! Would you like to work with the Police Department in how it serves the community?

The city currently has an opening for your

ward on the Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board.

They meet at 5:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at City Hall.

For more details about

the board or to apply, go to www.northglenn.org/ ccppboard.

Applications will be accepted through Jan. 10; interviews are the week of Jan. 17.



#### TO PROTECT AND SERVE **PRESENTS**

Officer Chris Miller loads up presents for a local family on Dec. 18 at the Justice Center as part of KYGO Christmas Crusade for Children.

The Police Department has teamed up with the radio station on this program for years. Law enforcement agencies throughout the metro area gather gift wish lists from less-fortunate families in the area. The presents are purchased thanks to charitable giving from people like you, and then picked up by the families. Residents also dropped off toys at city facilities. Overall, 84 Northglenn families and 281 kids received gifts!

In addition to the toy drive, the city hosted a non-perishable food drive. Thanks to everyone who helped out in making the holidays a little more merry for a family!

#### CITY PREPARING FOR EMERGENCIES - AND WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK! 🗦 🌣 🏔 患 🖳

What's the plan if there's a zombie apocalypse? Okay, that one might be outside our scope, but there is a plan to address known risks to residents

- tornado, cyber-attacks, prolonged and devastating heat and drought, and more. The Hazard Mitigation Plan is a collaboration between Thornton,

Federal Heights and Northglenn. The three cities are currently working on an update, and would love residents to take a short online survey to identify

what residents feel are likely emergencies. ► For more information or to take the survey, go to www.tfhnmitigation.

#### **® COVID-19 UPDATE**

#### MASKS A MUST IN **INDOOR PUBLIC AREAS**

Through at least Jan. 2, everyone ages 2 and up must wear a face mask inside public indoor facilities regardless of **COVID-19** vaccine status. > See the cover for more details.

#### **COVID-19 CITY SERVICE MODIFICATIONS**

- Council meetings and study sessions are in person. The public may call in to comment, attend in person, or watch on Channel 8 or YouTube.
- City Hall is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. The **Maintenance & Operations Building** is
- open 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. weekdays.
- Municipal Court is open. Currently, traffic and code/zoning cases will be held virtually. Juvenile cases, criminal cases and trials will be in person. Call 303.450.8701 or go
- to www.northglenn.org/

### court for more.

- Prescription delivery is open to residents 65+ or who can't pick up or have their order delivered.
- ► Go to www.northglenn. org/prescription or call 303.450.8893 for details.

#### **FUTURE VACCINE CLINICS**

The city is working with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to potentially host COVID-19 vaccine clinics in the coming months.

As the details are finalized, the clinics will be publicized at www.northglenn.org/ calendar, www.northglenn.org/covidops in the Connection and on social media.

#### **COVID-19 BRIEFS**

#### Information as of Dec. 22.

#### Free Vaccines Open to Youth, Adults

- Anyone 12 and older can get a free COVID-19 vaccine at a pharmacy, doctor's office, pop-up or local clinic, or mobile vaccine bus near you. No ID or insurance needed. Most providers take walk-ins and same-day appointments. You are entitled to paid time off from your job to get vaccinated and recover from side effects.
- Vaccines for youth ages 5 to 11 are also available, but appoint-

- ments are likely necessary. Check with your child's medical provider or go to https:// covid19.colorado.gov/ kids-vaccines for clinics available.
- Boosters are now available for all adults; 16- and 17-year-olds can receive a Pfizer booster.
- Another way to find a vaccine clinic is by calling the state's vaccine hotline at 877-CO VAX CO (877.268.2926). The hotline is available weekdays, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- You can also schedule a vaccine

- appointment by calling Tri-County Health at 303.220.9200. Their nurses are currently administering adult and child routine vaccines, COVID-19 vaccines, and the flu shot.
- The Westminster Office, 1401 W. 122nd Ave. #200, offers walk-ins and appointments every week on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., and 1 to 3:30 p.m. Individuals younger than 18 years of age require parent/ legal guardian consent; a note or phone call is acceptable. Call 303.451.0123 for details.

#### Test Sites Open It's easy to get a free, conve-

nient, and safe COVID-19 test. Pre-registration speeds up the process, but is not required. No insurance or ID needed. Find a full list of testing sites at www. tchd.org/COVIDtesting. CDC recommends getting tested if you have any signs or symptoms of COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status or prior infection. Hours are subject to change due to weather and holidays, so check the testing site's website before you go. Results from your COVID-19 test can take between two and three days.

#### Free Testing at FRCC

Free testing is available at Front Range Community College, West 112th Avenue and Stuart Street in Westminster. They are open daily from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Pre-registration is available at https://bit.ly/3878qzf. Results are available within about three business days at https://mako. *luminatehealth.com/common/* signup. For more information, call 719.416.5857 or go to www. makomedical.com.

Northglenn residents may call 303.450.8801 to find a vaccine.

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

# Northglenn Arts

Performances at the Parsons Theatre | 1 E. Memorial Parkway, Northglenn 80233 | NorthglennArts.org | 303.450.8888

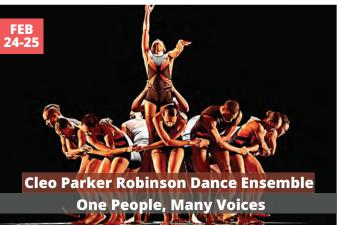
### **Northglenn Arts Presents WINTER 2022 SEASON TICKET PACKAGE**

For a limited time, purchase the season ticket package and see four shows for \$60!

Treat yourself to a season of shows or purchase a package for that someone special!













Audiences at two sold-out shows at the Parsons Theatre were treated to a collection of holiday classics alongside some of the greatest songs of the 20th century. On Dec. 11 and 12, the nine singers and accompanying band of Motones & Jerseys presented their Holiday Hi-Fi. As a special feature, the audience could vote on their favorite group for each performance. The Jerseys won the first night, while the Motones came back to capture the matinee the next day.



#### SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

#### COVID-19 information as of Dec. 22.

Through at least Jan. 2, everyone ages 2 and up must wear a face mask inside public indoor facilities regardless of COVID-19 vaccine status. ► See the cover for more information.

Activities are for people 55 and over and take place at the center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway. The events listed are free. For items with RecTrac codes, call 303.450.8801 or go online to www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn to register.

#### **Bagel Day** Thurs., Jan. 13, 1 p.m.



Enjoy a small spread of bagels and accouterments with your coffee or tea at this social gathering. Register by Jan. 11. RECTRAC CODE: 10531003

#### **Tabletop Games** Tues., Jan. 18, 1 p.m.

Experience a fun afternoon out with your friends and learn to play a new board, card, or pen-and-paper game! Puzzles and existing board games will also be set up. Register by Jan. 11 to reserve your seat at the new game table. RECTRAC CODE: 10531005

#### **Annual Chili Cookoff** Fri., Jan. 21, 12 p.m.

Do you make the best chili on the block? Enter in the Annual Chili Cookoff! Divisions for red and green chili. It is also a potluck, so if you don't want to enter, bring a complementary side dish or dessert. Register by Jan. 14. RECTRAC CODE: 10530004

#### **SENIOR BOOK CLUB**

"I Know an Old Lady"

Tues., Jan. 25, 1 p.m., at the center and virtually at www.northglenn. org/seniorbookclub

One mistake too many lands Billy Tupper in front of a judge who sentences him to a summer working for Old Lady Baxter, the rumored child killer of Munroe, Kan. Call or stop by for more details.





Share your favorite poem or one you have written, or just enjoy the show as an audience member. Refreshments will be served alongside a light snack. Please RSVP by Jan. 20. State your interest in being a speaker when you sign up. RECTRAC CODE: 10531003

### **Enrollment** Open for Adams 12

#### **Adams 12 Five Star Schools**

No matter your child's passions or what unique learning opportunity they're looking for, there's a home for them in Adams 12 Five Star Schools.

We invite you to discover all that our schools have to offer to elevate your child's education. Some of the specialized programs our Northglenn schools offer include the following:

- Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM)
- Arts-integration
- Gifted and Talented
- Career and Technical Education (CTE)
- Preschool

There is something for every student in the Five Star District. Choice enrollment is now open and the deadline for priority consideration is Jan. 31, 2022. Learn more by visiting www. adams12.org/enroll.

### SUSTAINABILITY & INFRASTRUCTURE



#### WHERE THE BUFFALO ROAM

On Dec. 8, "Dominion" was announced as the 2021/2022 People's Choice Award winner by the Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation. Created by artist Jeff Best, the piece is made of 100% reclaimed barbed wire. For more information about Best, visit http://DevilsRopeStudio.com.

The award is part of Northglenn's Art on Parade program, which features on-loan sculptures exhibited at E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park for one year. The public votes for their favorite, which is named "The People's Choice." NAHF has secured funding from the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) to purchase "Dominion". Its permanent location will be announced in 2022.

For more information about Art on Parade or NAHF, call Michael Stricker at 303.450.8727.

#### TIME FOR RECREATION

- Program Registration: Registration for winter and spring recreation programs are underway. These include youth and adult sports, swim lessons, martial arts, summer day camp, theatre and dance classes, arts and crafts programs, special events, and more. > Go to www.northglenn.org/recxpress to sign up!
- Facility Rentals: A variety of spaces in the new Northglenn Recreation Center are now available for the public to rent. This includes the Community Rooms, which can be used for larger meetings and events, the Party Rooms for birthday pool parties and smaller group meetings, along with a few other options and spaces. Go to www.northglenn.org/reccenter under 'Rentals' for more information. > Call 303.450.8800 or email northglennrecreation@northglenn.org to inquire.
- Membership Options: Beginning in 2022, there will be additional membership options for the community. This includes both a one-month and three-month membership to provide more flexibility to those interested in utilizing the facility and its services.

For questions about any of these items, please call 303.450.8800 or stop by the center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway.

# Save Money, Energy With Free Visit From Xcel Energy

**Xcel Energy** 

Want to save money on your energy bills?

The Northglenn community is committed to conserving resources and promoting sustainability to provide an exceptional quality of life and resilient future for its residents and businesses. As part of this effort, Northglenn is offering a limited number of FREE Home Energy Squad® visits from Xcel Energy!

With a Home Energy Squad visit, To set up a FREE visit provided by a technician will come to your home and provide \$200 worth of services, including:

lightbulbs to LEDs

- Replacing showerheads with energy-efficient models
- Weather-stripping one drafty, exterior door
- Installing a programmable thermostat or a smart thermostat you already own
- Checking water heater insulation and temperature for efficiency

You'll see savings immediately and improve the comfort of your

the city, go to https://xcelenergy. com/HomeEnergySquad and use promo code Northglenn2021 to • Switching out incandescent schedule. You must live in the city to be eligible.

#### **CASE STUDY**

A Home Energy Squad visit in Littleton saved a resident \$75 PER MONTH! They received:

- 45 new LED lightbulbs
- Weather stripping for one exterior door (they paid a little extra for a second door)
- Water heater temperature set back
- Water-efficient showerhead
- Checked programmable thermostat settings
- ► Go to the site today to set up your FREE visit.

#### SAVE ON YOUR WATER BILL, TOO!

Is your 2022 resolution to do more for the environment? Maybe save money? The city can help you do both at the same time!

Replacing old, high-volume toilets and washing machines with low-flow or high-efficiency models can qualify you for rebate credits to your water bill. Rebates are available on a firstcome, first-served basis. Details and application forms are at www.northglenn.org/rebate, or by calling 303.280.7863.

#### CHRISTMAS TREE DROP-OFF

Residents can drop off real Christmas trees at these three spots through Jan. 7.

Please remove tinsel and decorations from your tree.

Trees dropped off will be turned into mulch that will be available to the public.

Residents can

cut up their tree and put it in their trash cart. However, the cart lid must be closed.

**Maintenance & Operations** Facility 12301 Claude Court **Northwest Open Space** W. 112th Ave. & Ranch Dr. 104th Ave. Jaycee Park Leroy Dr. & Irma Dr.

Trees left on the curb will NOT be taken.

Call 303.450.4004 for questions.

#### **VOLUNTEERS** SOUGHT FOR CANAL **CLEANUP**

#### Northglenn parks, trails and riverbeds can use a spring cleaning, too!

The morning of Feb. 26, join more than 200 volunteers for the Farmers' Highline Canal Cleanup. Go to www.northglenn.org/ FHCC to register.

Sign-ups are available for individuals, groups and group leaders. If you have questions, contact Jenni Murphy at 303.450.8904 or jmurphy@northglenn.org.

MORTHGLENN A quick rounaup or roadwork activities in your city.

Traffic Signal Upgrade New traffic signals are coming! These will be the first upgrades:

- 104th Avenue from Irma Drive to Ura Lane
- Huron Street and Kennedy Drive
- 117th Avenue and **Washington Street**
- Irma Drive and 120th Avenue
- Claude Court and 120th Avenue

This will be followed by Washington Street from 104th Avenue

to Sylvia Drive, then Huron Street from 104th Avenue to 116th Avenue. The remaining signals will be upgraded based on need and traffic volumes.

**Traffic Calming** Spurred by resident input via the No Need for Speed program, three neighborhoods will have new temporary traffic calming measures in place:

 Quivas Street from 104th Avenue to Roseanna Drive now has two traffic circles (roundabouts) and one traffic island.

- 112th Place from Claude Court to Malley Drive will receive five traffic islands by the end of January.
- Marion Drive from 104th Avenue to 105th Place will receive one temporary traffic island by the end of January.

Additional traffic calming measures are under design and will be installed in the near future.

Don't forget – shovel snow onto your grass and trees, not the street. Keeping drains clear prevents the ice-over/melt cycle that damages streets and gutters.

#### HOME STRETCH

This map shows the progress on the Force Main A project. This major sewer line replacement stretches from East 105th Place and Irma Drive to 124th Avenue and Claude Court. Construction is set to last through this month.

Two small portions are left to complete:

- Just south of 112th Avenue in the industrial park; watch out for intermittent lane closures along Leroy Drive
- North off 124th Avenue

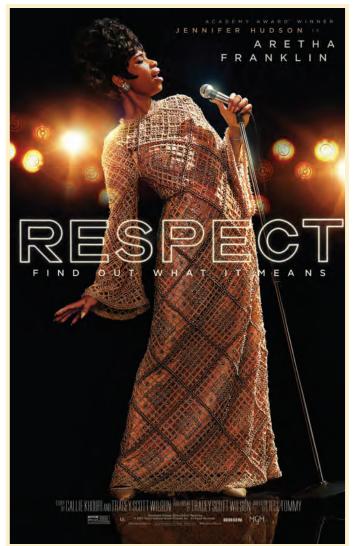
Please watch for door hangers notifying you of any work in these areas. Sometimes there are minor interruptions to water/sewer services, but notifications will go out at least 48 hours in advance.

Remember – work is always weather-dependent.

For more details, go to www. northglenn.org/ forcemainaproject.



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This event is sponsored by the city's Diversity, Inclusivity and Social Equity (DISE) Board, with proceeds going to a local charity.

#### Fri. Feb. 18, 7 p.m. Parsons Theatre, 1 E. Memorial Parkway

Following the rise of Aretha Franklin's career from a young child singing in her father's church's choir to her international superstardom, "Respect" is the remarkable true story of the music icon's journey to find her voice and become the Queen of Soul.

Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for youth, seniors and active or retired military.

Go online to www. northglenn.org/ respect or click on the QR code to purchase your tickets.



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Over 300 bikes were given away on Dec. 4 at the Stonehocker Farmhouse to youth in the community. These bicycles had been donated to the city and then repaired and cleaned by Northglenn Bike Program volunteers. Over the year, they prepared nearly 650 bikes for donation! If you have an old or unused bike that you would like to give away, bring it over to the Maintenance & Operations Building, 12301 Claude Court, or

SEASON OF STONEHOCKER





This young lady was one of a number of local performers to entertain the guests at the Olde Fashion Christmas this year. Held Dec. 4 and 5 at the historic Stonehocker Farmhouse. visitors browsed affordable baked goods, gifts and stocking stuffers in the kitchen. At the same time, kids could go upstairs for photos with Santa and then pick out a free book courtesy of Northglenn Build a Generation. Thank you to everyone who came by, and we look forward to seeing you next year!

### HIRING LIFEGUARDS

Start at \$15.67/Hour • PT & FT Apply at northglenn.org/jobs

Register for

NYTA February drama, dance

and art classes



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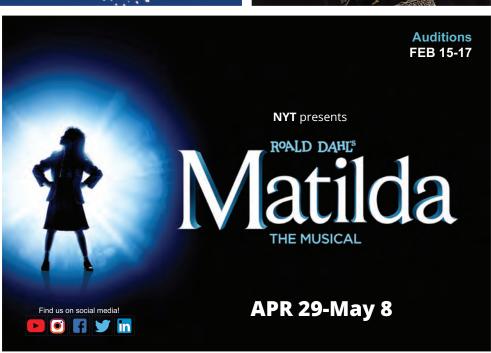
## Northglenn Youth Theatre & Academy

Upcoming Performances and Special Events









Northglenn Connection Jan. 2022 11701 Community Center Dr. Northglenn, CO 80233-1001



for pricing, event information, and to purchase tickets visit

NorthglennArts.org or call 303.450.8888









