



TRY THE TRI

Thanks to everyone who participated in Northglenn's inaugural indoor triathlon, Try the Tri. On Jan. 7 at the rec center, participants swam for 10 minutes, cycled for 30 then ran for 20. Some of the category winners are shown above and all are listed below.



2024 Try The Tri Winners

- Open Men's – Alex Dworman
- Open Women's – Emily Fritz
- Masters Men's & Top Overall Finisher – Will Nussbaumer
- Masters Women's – Caro Timm
- Grand Masters – Taunya Wilson
- Youth – Tomi Timm

Feb. 2024

Northglenn Connection

2023 NORTHGLENN YEAR IN REVIEW

Meeting Our Strategic Goals



Leighty

Our city wrapped up a five-year Strategic Plan in 2023. We picked eight focus areas in 2019 (see right) and made tremendous progress. I am proud of the work that has been done and, specifically, in how we utilized, leveraged, and found resources through city funds, partnerships, grants, innovative ideas, and best practices to make it all happen.

In 2023 alone, we celebrated big milestones. Construction started on our new City Hall, the Public Works Department earned national accreditation, new flock cameras went into operation to enhance public safety, we joined a solar co-op, welcomed Prost to Northglenn, finished widening 120th Avenue, met new neighbors at Karl's Farm, and – thanks to voters – when I refer to the City Charter I now read “the Mayor” instead of “he” and “his.” Please read our Year in Review for a summary of all the great things we accomplished in Northglenn last year.

Our current council is excited to jump into the next iteration of our Strategic Plan. What would you like to see change, grow, or happen in Northglenn in the next five years? Part of the development process will include public engagement. I look forward to hearing your views on our city and our future this spring.

Northglenn is a shining example of what can be accomplished through working together. It shows how gathering input and practicing transparency builds trust and partnerships. It shows how council and staff advocacy in organizations throughout the region plants seeds for collaboration to benefit our community and others. There is more to tackle...and our past successes show us if we

Council Strategic Goals

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| High-Performance Government | Community Engagement |
| Public Safety | Business Retention & Growth |
| Housing Opportunities | Diverse Community |
| Sustainability | Infrastructure |

In 2019, a five-year strategic plan was adopted to focus the city government's efforts by setting benchmarks to track and goals to achieve.

The strategic plan had around 190 individual initiatives, of which all but three were either accomplished, implemented, underway or deemed to be not feasible or possible at this time.

► To view the 2019-23 Strategic Plan, go to www.northglenn.org/strategicplan.

keep moving forward the rewards are a stronger, more engaged, safer, sustainable, financially-sound, and beautiful community.

Thank YOU, Northglenn, for your support of solutions that improve our quality of life.

– Mayor Meredith Leighty

IN THIS EDITION

SPRING CLEANING: Volunteer for the annual Farmers' Highline Canal Cleanup on March 23 – in Northglenn or Thornton!
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WATER SAVINGS: Apply through Resource Central to have your lawn removed or to receive a water-friendly Garden-in-a-Box.
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NAMING OF EXHIBIT AREA PROPOSED: Renaming gallery at Parsons Theatre after local arts champion Ruibal Rivera under consideration. ► Page 10

BLACK HISTORY ON STAGE: Northglenn Arts is hosting a number of productions celebrating Black History Month.
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CLOSURES

Presidents' Day: Monday, Feb. 19

- City Hall, the Northglenn Municipal Court and Maintenance & Operations Facility will be closed.
- There is no study session that evening.
- The Northglenn Recreation Center and Northglenn Senior Center will be open.
- Trash pickup will be on a normal schedule.

► SEE PAGES 6 AND 7 FOR A TWO-PAGE SPREAD OF SOME OF THE CITY'S HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2023.

Local Legislative Recap: Jan. 2024

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.

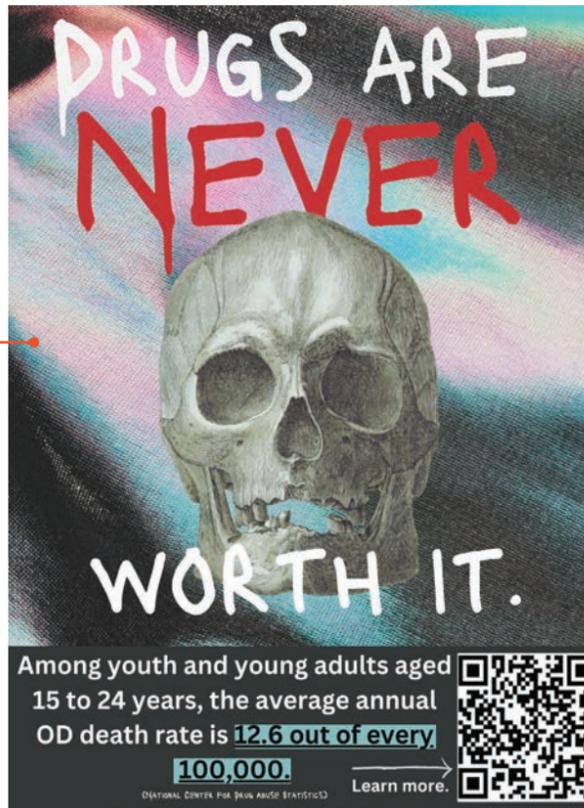
▶ All items passed unanimously.

JAN. 3: COUNCIL ORIENTATION

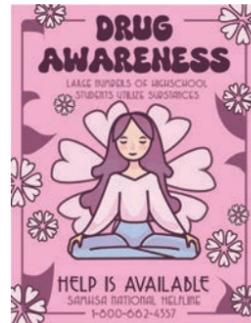
- **DISCUSSION TOPICS:** Council Roles; Meeting Procedures; Legal Issues; Council Protocol

JAN. 8: REGULAR MEETING

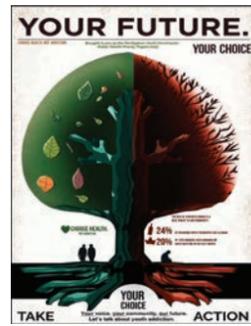
- **PRESENTATIONS:** Youth Addiction Poster Contest Recognition; Colorado Communities for Climate Action
- **FINANCIAL REPORT:** November 2023 Update
- **CONSENT AGENDA:** CR-1 Designating Public Posting Places; CR-2 Microsoft Enterprise License Renewal; CR-3 Adams County Open Space Grant Acceptance - Wayfinding, Walkability & Vinyl Wraps; CR-4 Adams County Open Space Grant Acceptance - Kiwanis Pool Improvements Phase 2; CR-5 Adams County Open Space Grant Acceptance - Alvin B. Thomas Memorial Park Renovation; CR-7 2024 Landfill Services; CR-8 Bulletproof Vest Grant Acceptance; CR-9 2024 Water Rights Legal Counsel; CR-10 2024 Water Rights Engineering Services
- **ORDINANCES - FIRST READING:**
 - CB-2014 Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board Quorum
 - CB-2016 Deza Estates Local Historic District Designation
 - CB-2017 Industrial Pretreatment Ordinance Amendments
- **RESOLUTIONS:**
 - CR-11 Northglenn Pavilion Monument Sign Installation
- **DISCUSSION ITEMS:** Senate Bill 23B-001 Budget Impact;



Riko Burrows won first place and a \$100 gift card in the Northglenn Youth Commission's Youth Addiction Awareness Poster Contest for his work "Drugs Are Never Worth It."



Maya Reno took second and a \$50 gift card for "Support to Grow."



Colton Helquist earned third and a \$25 gift card for "Your Choice, Your Future."

Neighborhood Nights and Festival Lawn Events

JAN. 10: NURA WORK SESSION

- Council and the Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority (NURA) heard a report on the Washington Point engagement efforts and discussed next steps.

JAN. 13: COUNCIL RETREAT

- Council participated in team-building activities that included a service project and discussed the following

topics - Code of Conduct, Council Protocols, and Council Committee Assignments.

JAN. 22: REGULAR MEETING

The Connection went to print before the Jan. 22 meeting took place. Agenda items included:

- **INTERVIEWS:** Anusha Khanal - Youth Commission; LeAnn Shi - Youth Commission; Trevor Hosterman - Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

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MEETINGS & STUDY SESSIONS

Council must 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 and study sessions are both at 6 p.m. Meetings are on the second and fourth Monday of the month; study sessions are on the first and third Monday.

Location: Meetings are held in City Council Chambers in City Hall, 11701 Community Center Drive.

WATCH & LEARN

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 meetings by phone at 720.961. 5043. See the agenda at www.northglenn.org/webdocs for meeting ID.

Channel 8 Rebroadcast Schedule:

- **Sunday, Wednesday, Friday:** Study sessions at 1 p.m., meetings at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- **Tuesday, Thursday, 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.

COUNCIL SCHEDULE

Meetings are at 6 p.m. in Council Chambers unless otherwise noted.

- **Feb. 5:** Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Awards (Parsons Theatre)
- **Feb. 12:** Regular Meeting
- **Feb. 19:** No meeting (Presidents' Day)
- **Feb. 26:** Regular Meeting
- **Tentative Items:** Shopping Carts Right-of-Way Management; Strategic Planning; Youth Commission Annual Report; Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions.

▶ Go to www.northglenn.org/webdocs for the most up-to-date agenda.

YOUR THOUGHTS?

Input from residents makes a difference - the mayor and council members appreciate hearing from you! 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 heard at study sessions.

Anyone may address council in person or by phone. To call in, see the top of the agenda posted online at www.northglenn.org/webdocs. For in person, there is a sign-in sheet or speak up when prompted by the mayor.

You may also call or email council to share your opinion on city issues. ▶ **Contact details are below.**

CITY WARDS



If you have a question about what ward you live in, please call 303.450.8756.

MEET YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

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MAYOR PRO TEM



WEATHER OR NOT, HERE IT COMES...

The structure of the new Northglenn City Hall has been completed, just in time to deal with Colorado's late winter/early spring wet weather.

Roofing and temporary plastic sheathing were installed to prevent damage from the elements to the structural frame. The construction team has been working on both interior and exterior framing.

As the exterior framing is completed, the team has begun exterior sheathing, which is the yellow material that can be seen on the outside of the building. Sheathing functions as a protective layer to keep heat in the building and wind and water out. Staff anticipates the installation of window framing in February.

When it opens, this 32,600-square-foot

facility will be Net Zero and have a CORE Green Building Rating – the first municipal building in Colorado to achieve that certification. The \$33.8M building is being funded completely through reserves and will be located next to the current City Hall.

► Go online to www.northglenn.org/newcityhall for more details and to see a live camera feed of the construction site.

DEMOLITION OF OLD REC CENTER SET FOR FEBRUARY

Demolition for the old recreation center is scheduled to begin in February, provided the city receives the necessary state permits. The demolition should be

completed within 45 days of commencement of work. Once completed, the city will begin the reevaluation for what is next with City Council and the community.

Afterwards, the land will be cleared and the city will seek new redevelopment opportunities for the parcel. ► For more information, go to www.northglenn.org/civiccenter.

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• **CONSENT AGENDA:** **CR-13** ADCOG Subregional Transportation Forum Representative & Alternate; **CR-14** Adams County Regional Economic Partnership Representative & Alternate; **CR-15** Business Relations Coordinator; **CR-16** Colorado Communities for Climate Action Representative & Alternate; **CR-17** Colorado Municipal League Representative & Alternate; **CR-18** Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board Ex-Officio Member; **CR-19** Denver Regional Council of Governments Representative & Alternate; **CR-20** Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity Board Ex-Officio Member; **CR-21** Finance Committee

Members; **CR-22** Historic Preservation Commission Ex-Officio Member; **CR-23** Legislative Policy Committee Members; **CR-24** Metro Mayors Caucus Appointment; **CR-25** Mile High Flood District Appointment; **CR-26** North Area Transportation Alliance Representative & Alternate; **CR-27** Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation Liaison; **CR-28** Northglenn Senior Organization Liaison; **CR-29** Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority Member; **CR-30** Outside Agency Funding Committee Members; **CR-31** Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Ex-Officio Member; **CR-32** Planning Commission Ex-Officio Member; **CR-33** Rocky Flats Stewardship Council Representative; **CR-34** Rocky Mountain Partnership Representative;

CR-35 Youth Commission Ex-Officio Member

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES - SECOND READING:

- **CB-2014** Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board Quorum
- **CB-2015** Eastlake Rezone to Multifamily (RM-2)
- **CB-2016** Deza Estates Local Historic District Designation

RESOLUTION:

- **CR-12** 120th Avenue Construction Administration Addendum #1

DISCUSSION ITEMS: New City Hall Construction Update - January 2024

► **Voting Results: Go to webdocs.** northglenn.org.

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.

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www.youtube.com/cityofnorthglenn



www.northglenn.org/nextdoor



www.instagram.com/cityofnorthglenn



FOOD DRIVE IN FEBRUARY AT CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

The City Clerk's Office is hosting a food drive to benefit Immaculate Heart of Mary Food Bank through Feb. 29. Just bring your non-perishable food over to City Hall from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

As a bonus, if you are applying for a passport at the City Clerk's Office during this time and participate in the food drive, you'll receive a free passport photo!

► Please visit www.northglenn.org/passports or call 303.450.8716 to schedule an appointment or for more information.



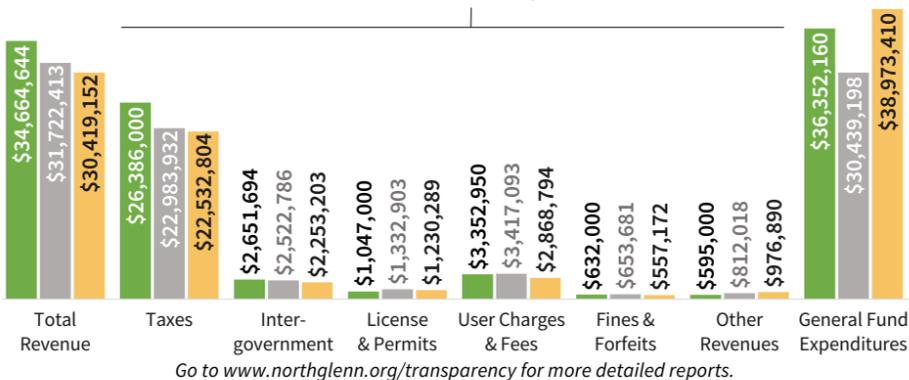
October 2023 General Fund Financial Report

Unaudited figures are through the end of October.

- 2023 Annual Budget
- 2023 Actual Year to Date
- 2022 Actual Year to Date

General Fund Expenditures Year to Date is **83.7%** of the 2023 Annual Budget

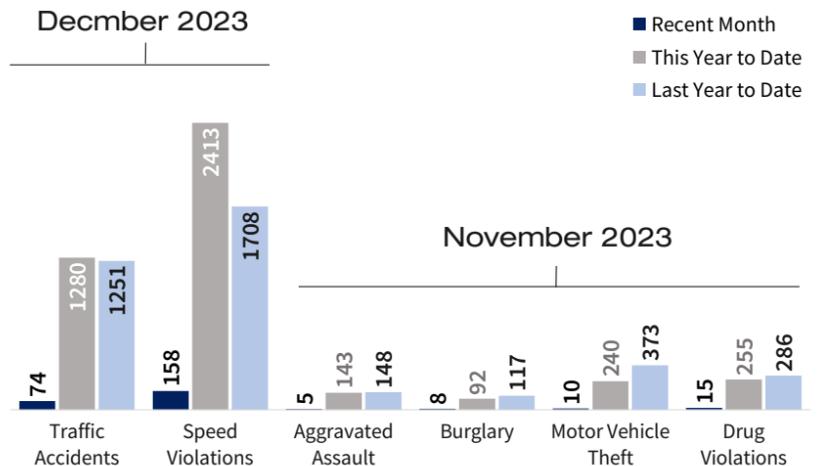
Total Revenue Components



Northglenn Police Statistics

Go to www.northglenn.org/crimestats for more data.

December 2023



November 2023



City Manager's Column: A Letter from Heather Geyer

Partner With Our Parks



Geyer

Our parks, trails and other public spaces are some of the reasons why Northglenn is a special community. Our spaces are always busy with walkers, runners, bicyclists, event attendees, sports teams, bird watchers, playground users, skaters, dog owners and more. Did you know one of the reasons we enjoy such wonderful amenities is because our community helps maintain our parks and trails? We call this “shared stewardship” and it is a best practice and a source of community pride/ownership.

We have a great staff of maintenance, rangers and seasonal workers to take care of and watch over our parks, open spaces and 35 miles of the Greenway Trail System. Programs like the Farmers’ Highline Canal Cleanup (*see below*), Parks and Trails Partners, flowerbed volunteers, and service projects help us go above and beyond our current level of service with the help and support of the community. If you, your family, work group, church group, service club or other organization would like to get involved, please reach out to our new community outreach coordinator, Jenna Gragg, at jgragg@northglenn.org or 303.450.8904. Details are available at www.northglenn.org/volunteer, and online sign up is open now for the

Farmers’ Highline Canal Cleanup on March 23. This is one event I thoroughly enjoy! Cleaning up trash in the ditch year after year provides a perspective on how we can all do a better job in helping keep our parks and trails clean.

Please also remember to pick up after your dog. As a dog owner, I often see the issue of dog owners not picking up their dog waste and relying on neighbors to be the “poop fairy.”

Staff cannot be everywhere all the time, so support from park users is important. Please report graffiti, encampments, excessive trash, inappropriate behavior or damage on Access Northglenn (www.northglenn.org/accessnorthglenn). Call

the police if you see unsafe or illegal behavior or are concerned about someone’s welfare. It’s important we all set an example of the behavior we expect when using our public spaces.

We have several big park improvements lined up, including new playgrounds in Fox Run and renovations at Kiwanis Pool, and more programs than ever scheduled in our parks this year – so bring on spring! If we continue to work together and encourage good stewardship, our parks, open spaces and trails will continue to provide places for healthy activities, a way to enjoy nature, and connection with each other.

– City Manager Heather Geyer

Farmers' Highline Canal Cleanup Expanding

► Thornton to Join Northglenn for Volunteer Event

Sat., March 23, 9-11 a.m., locations throughout Northglenn and Thornton

The Farmers’ Highline Canal Cleanup isn’t just about keeping Northglenn beautiful anymore!

In the past, volunteers have collected more than 300 bags of trash, plus the occasional tire, mannequin or bed every year. But this year, our neighbors in Thornton are joining us, meaning

that many more trails, riverbeds and walkways will get the spring cleaning they need.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to take part, whether as an individual or a group.

► **To sign up for an area in Northglenn, go online to www.northglenn.org/fhcc.**

If you know someone who would like to help in Thornton, send them to Gocot.net/volunteer.

As a bonus, all volunteers will receive lunch.

► *For more information, contact Jenna Gragg at jgragg@northglenn.org or 303.450.8904. In case of inclement weather, the cleanup will move to March 30.*



Park Pavilion rentals open February 5!

For info and to book, call 303.450.8800 or scan the code



Something to Write Home About

► Deza Estates Neighborhood Added to National Register of Historic Places



▲ *Some of the homes in the Deza Estates neighborhood*

Map of Deza Estates ▼

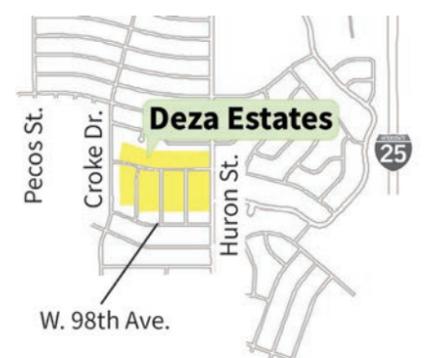
On Nov. 24, 2023, the Deza Estates neighborhood was added to the National Register of Historic Places, the official list of the nation’s locations worthy of preservation.

The district is an example of the Modern Movement style of architecture and unique post-war development. The neighborhood consists of entirely custom-built homes at a time when suburban residential developments were based on a set number of models to choose from. The

homes were built in the late 1950s, before Northglenn incorporated, and sit in the southwest corner of the city.

Deza Estates joins the Stonehocker Farmhouse and St. Stephen’s Lutheran Church as city locations on the register.

► *To learn more about Deza Estates and read the historical and architectural survey and National Register nomination, go to www.northglenn.org/historicpreservation.*



GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARD



Do you have a neighbor who constantly goes above and beyond? You can show them your appreciation by nominating them for the Good Neighbor Award. This program highlights exemplary residents who make our community better.

► *Nominations are due by Feb. 16 and can be made online at www.northglenn.org/goodneighbor.*

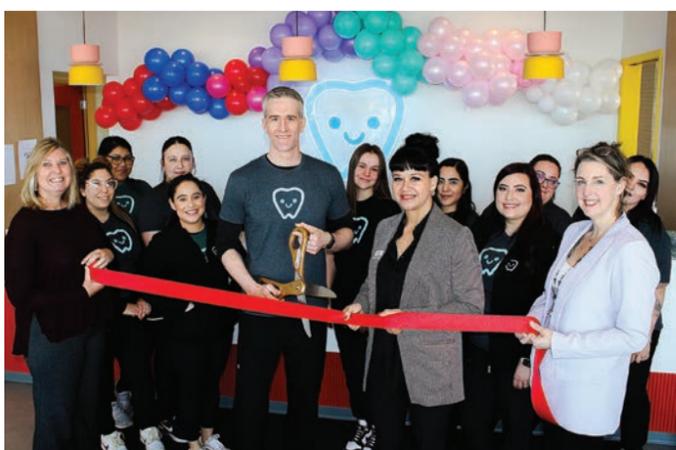
PLEASE WELCOME



In Northglenn for over 45 years!

CAKES BY KAREN

Cakes by Karen held its ribbon-cutting on Jan. 11. This bakery relocated from its former location in Northglenn and now leases 3,132 square feet at 1466 W. 104th Ave. They employ 12 people. ▶ For more information, call 303.452.6801 or go to www.cakesbykarencolorado.com.



GRIN PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY

Grin Pediatric Dentistry held its ribbon-cutting on Jan. 18. This office leased 3,920 square feet at 420 E. 120th Ave., Suite B-11. They employ 10 people. ▶ For more details, call 720.453.3277 or go to www.grinpediatricdentistry.com/locations/northglenn.



PROST BREWING COMPANY

Prost Brewing Company held its ribbon-cutting Jan. 4 for their biergarten. This German brewer redeveloped 22,673 square feet at 351 W. 104th Ave. They will employ 200 people. ▶ For more details, call 303.285.4431 or go to www.prostbrewing.com.



GRAN INVERSIÓN



LOS DOS POTRILLOS HONORED FOR INVESTMENT IN NORTHGLENN WITH NEW RESTAURANT

Note: This is the third in a series featuring winners from the 2023 Business Appreciation Event. Go to www.northglenn.org/bab to see videos of all the winners.



Council with Cesar Berumen, Director of Operations for Los Dos Potrillos, at the Business Appreciation Event in October

“Northglenn was one of those cities where we felt that Los Dos Potrillos just needed to be here,” said Daniel Ramirez, co-owner of Los Dos Potrillos Cocina y Cantina, and winner of the 2023 Investment of the Year Award.

Family-owned and operated, the Mexican restaurant opened in Northglenn last

April, Los Dos Potrillos' first in the north metro area.

Ramirez' parents opened the original Los Dos Potrillos in Centennial in 2002 and has expanded to include restaurants in Highlands Ranch, Littleton, and Parker.

The family takes pride in their scratch kitchen and desires to provide fresh, quality food. From cilantro, onion, pico de gallo, guacamole, steak and chicken, all are cut fresh at each location with a phenomenal chef. The most popular item on the menu at

all of their locations is the Chile Relleno Nachos.

All-in, Ramirez shared they invested \$2.5 million in their Northglenn restaurant.

“We have loved the support and amazing people in Northglenn. We made a great investment here,” said Ramirez.

When customers come into Los Dos Potrillos, they want you to feel welcome and that it is your new home.

▶ For more information, call 720.529.5779 or go to www.losdoscc.com.



NEW BUSINESSES: DECEMBER 2023



- **Blackthorne Tattoo** leased 1,050 square feet at 11658 Huron St., Suite 100. This tattoo studio employs two people. ▶ For more information, call 303.301.0350 or go to www.blackthornetattoo.com.
- **Navy Federal Credit Union** leased a 1,374-square-foot unit at 100 E. 120th Ave., Suite G-120. They offer only ATM services at this location. ▶ For more information, call 888.842.6328 or go to www.navyfederal.org.
- **Prost Brewing Company** built a 22,673-square-foot biergarten at the Northglenn Marketplace, 351 W. 104th Ave. This local brewery and restaurant specializes in German beers and food. They plan on employing 200 people. ▶ For more details, call 303.285.4431 or go to www.prostbrewing.com.
- **Thrive Recovery and Wellness** leased a 1,796-square-foot unit at 11184 Huron St., Suite 16. This business offers addiction, recovery and wellness services and currently employs two people. ▶ For more information, call 303.578.6807.

SHORT-TERM RENTALS NEED LICENSES

Are you operating a short-term rental in Northglenn, including through any online services such as Airbnb or VRBO? If so, you must have a short-term rental license and a sales tax license. Applications for both are at www.northglenn.org/licenses.

▶ For more information, contact Tori Gillott at tgillott@northglenn.org or 303.450.8716.

BUSINESS ANNIVERSARIES: Q1 2024

The city would like to recognize and thank the following companies, that are celebrating major milestones of doing business in Northglenn. Congratulations!

50+ Years

- Northglenn Ambulance
- Northglenn Heating and Air

40 Years

- S & S Floor Surfacing

35 Years

- Nash Insurance Agency

- State Farm Insurance-Ann Davis

25 Years

- Denver Boxes
- Gunther Toody's
- Liquor Bank

20 Years

- American Automotive Repair Center

- Integra Insurance Group

- Marshall Polygraph Services

- Maurices

- Montgomery Eye Care

15 Years

- BrickImaging
- Elegant Ink

- Pink and White Nails

- Pizza Hut
- Wax Works

- Wood Iron Wood Finishes

10 Years

- Branded Image Apparel
- Exhaust Pros

- Morrison Construction

- Northglenn Tax Service

- SafePro Guard

- Teamwork Therapy & Sports Performance

5 Years

- Brigitte CPA

- Fidelis Catholic Federal Credit Union

- Foxified

- Hawpe 2 It Property Service

- Lash N Up

- Legacy Primary Care

- Lindsey Bittner Graham

- MG Cleaning Systems

- Northtown Company

- Oasis Hot Tub Service

- Paleteria La Loteria

- Ram Transmissions

- Ramos Law

- Save A Lot

- Slugbug

- Timberline Tax Group

- Waffle Doods Catering

– Home-based businesses in italics.



HIGHLIGHTS FROM SOME OF YOUR CITY GOVERNMENT'S ACTIVITIES IN 2023

High-Performance Government

New Council Members

In February, Tim Long was selected by council to take Jenny Willford's vacancy as Ward 4 representative as she now serves in the State Legislature. Also, Megan Burns was chosen for Ward 1 in March after Ashley Witkovich left office. Shannon Lukeman-Hiromasa was voted Mayor Pro Tem on Feb. 27.



Then in the 2023 election, Adam Nowicki and Jody Roper were elected to serve Ward 2 and Ward 4, respectively. Mayor Meredith Leighty and council members Burns, Katherine Goff, Rich Kondo and Lukeman-Hiromasa were all re-elected

Also in the election, residents voted to extend the existing 1/2% sales and use tax without a sunset clause, the money generated will be dedicated to supporting public safety, capital improvements including residential streets and park amenities, and other general operations.

The city began updating its Parks, Recreation and Culture long-range plan, called the Northglenn Playbook. It will guide the city's investment in parks, open spaces and recreation facilities and programming for years to come. Work began in 2023 with completion scheduled for 2024.

The Public Works Department earned full accreditation from the American Public Works Association (APWA). Northglenn is only the ninth Colorado city to achieve this honor.

The city's preschool program received a Level 5 rating from Colorado Shines, the highest possible. Colorado Shines is the quality rating and improvement system for all of Colorado's licensed early care and learning programs.

STRATEGIC PLAN ITEMS COMPLETED
Performance Evaluation Program
Advocate for fare equity of the N Line

STAFF AWARDS
Tamara Dixon, Human Resources Director & Chief Diversity Officer: 2023 Muriel M. Morse Achievement Award from the IPMA-HR Western Region

Kate Fisher, Recreation Coordinator - Senior Services: Marianne Logan Professional of the Year Award from the Colorado Parks & Recreation Association

By The Numbers

- 1,328 Requests closed through Access Northglenn, where anyone can go to report an issue with the city
\$68.8M Budget total approved for 2024
165 Resolutions and 14 ordinances approved
14 Consecutive years the city has won the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA)
33 Consecutive years the city has earned the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the GFOA for its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.



Northglenn held its first State of the City on July 20 at Festival Lawn. Mayor Meredith Leighty gave an overview of the city's accomplishments over the past five years as well as some of the goals and projects moving forward.

Community Engagement

STRATEGIC PLAN ITEMS COMPLETED
Identify neighborhood and sub-area plans
Council feedback on volunteer programs

By The Numbers

- 20 Good Neighbor Program honorees
27 Youth honored by City Council through the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Awards. 4 of the 27 were honored by the county.
16 Council public meetings, which included the newly-established Neighborhood Nights program
628 Refurbished bicycles donated through the Northglenn Bike Program
48,610 Combined attendance at the city's large events and festivals
15K+ Volunteer service hours through the city



Business Retention & Growth

The land at Washington Street and 112th Avenue will soon be turned into a small suite/office incubator space. The Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority (NURA) sold the parcels to a private developer, who will start work in 2024.

The city recognized nine local businesses for their achievements and contributions to the community at its 11th Annual Business Appreciation Event on Oct. 17. This was an opportunity for the city to showcase its amazing businesses that are making a positive difference in the community. Winners are listed below.

- Home-Based: Missing Piece Puzzle Exchange
Rookie: Lizzie's Axe Throwing - Northglenn
Small: Denver Recovery Group - Northglenn
Mid-Size: Performance Woodworking
Large: Independent Electrical Contractors Rocky Mountain (IECRM)
Longevity: Wearner Family Dentistry
Young Entrepreneur: Ulises Gomez and Derwin Velazquez, UGDV Rugs
People's Choice: SpineGeek Chiropractic
Investment: Los Dos Potrillos Cocina y Cantina

By The Numbers

- 42 New storefront businesses opened
545 New jobs created
101,227 Square feet of commercial space absorbed

Diverse Community

Deza Estates, a collection of houses in the southwest corner of the city, was named to the National Register of Historic Places in November. The custom homes were built in the late 1950s and recognized for their Modern Movement style.

In the 2023 election, voters approved updating language in the City Charter to be gender-neutral. Gender-specific references such as "he," "Councilmen," and "Policemen" will be replaced by the use of position titles such as "Mayor," "Council members," and "Police Officers."

On Feb. 21, the city hosted the Anti-Defamation League Mountain State Regional Office for an informational session on antisemitism.

Northglenn Arts worked on its first long-range plan, which will be complete in February.

A new, accessible fishing platform opened in September at the southern end of the Croke Reservoir Nature Area, near Huron Street and Naiad Drive. Shoreline stabilization measures and new signage were also installed.

By The Numbers

- 38,558 Attendance at Parsons Theatre events
1,043 Participants in the Northglenn Youth Theatre program, which includes actors, students and crew
1,580,446 Sports field users
104,932 Rec center reservation attendees
115,150 Member visits and daily admissions to the rec center



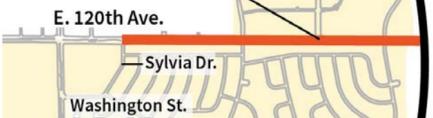
Prost Brewery Opens

Prost opened its headquarters and biergarten in the Northglenn Marketplace in December. Their arrival is a cornerstone to the city's economy, and is already bringing in other tenants to the Marketplace.

- \$25M Investment by Prost
40-50K: Bier barrels produced per year at top capacity
200 Net new jobs at full capacity
300,000+ Annual visitors to the city
52,847 Square-foot brewery
22,673 Square-foot indoor/outdoor biergarten

Widened Stretch

New traffic light installed at East 120th Avenue and Race Street



The 120th Avenue Improvements Project started in January and completed principal construction in November. 120th Avenue was widened from two lanes to three from roughly Sylvania Drive to the N-Line bridge.



Sustainability

A climate action discussion was held May 23. Experts and community leaders talked about the risks posed by climate change and the actions that are and could be taken by the community.

Northglenn partnered with municipalities across the metro area and nonprofit Solar United Neighbors (SUN) to launch Solar Switch. This program leveraged the power of group buying to provide resident participants a quality system at a discount. 89 Northglenn residences signed up for the Solar Switch Program

In late April and early May, 150 Spanish goats grazed the Oscar Arnold Nature Area. This provided environmentally-friendly noxious weed and fire mitigation to the land that is normally done with either lawnmowers or chemicals. The goats covered twice as much area as originally planned, and the city will bring them back in 2024. As a bonus, nearly 1,500 people came out for a live goat encounter on April 30.

On Oct. 18, the city welcomed the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and other local officials during a media event highlighting community-led air quality monitoring projects in Adams and Jefferson counties, funded in part by the EPA. Since May 2022, Northglenn has had two air quality monitors, one near City Hall and one in Northwest Open Space.

By the Numbers

- 232 Residential solar permits issued
8K Estimated square feet of lawn converted to Xeriscape
93 Gardens in a Box sold to residents, which should save 600K gallons of water over their lifetime
Read more about these programs on Page 9.

Infrastructure

The new City Hall broke ground in June. The new facility, located just to the east of the current city hall, is scheduled to open in the fall of 2024.

STRATEGIC PLAN ITEMS STARTED
Create a long range transportation plan that will be a unifying document to integrate a number of official documents into project short-term needs and long-term goals.

By The Numbers

- 86.3 Tons collected at Dumpster Day in July that filled 29 roll-offs
294 Loads dropped off at the city's two free landfill days. 1,226 cubic yards of materials were dropped off, enough to fill 41 roll-offs.
\$2.12M Amount in Adams County Open Space Grants given to the city. These will be used for Kiwanis Pool improvements, Alvin B. Thomas Memorial Park renovations, three new Fox Run playgrounds, an aquatic obstacle course at the recreation center pool, and more.
13 Miles of road re-paved, including the work on 120th Avenue (see above) and finishing Huron Street south of 104th Avenue.

Housing Opportunities

In August, the city's Crisis Response Unit (CRU) hosted the Bridge Summit to bring together entities working to help people experiencing homelessness. Local municipalities, non-profits and service providers discussed possible solutions and how they could work together to tackle this issue in the north metro area.

Council approved changes that allow for rock and gravel driveways and the option to use rock and/or mulch for the entire front yard.

The CRU won the National League of Cities' Capstone Challenge to address homelessness

By The Numbers

- 123 New residences at Karl's Farm
694 Number of people served by the city's Crisis Response Unit (CRU). This includes work with people experiencing homelessness, an emotional/mental issue and more.
43 Yard of the month honorees
Safebuilt Statistics
Safebuilt handles the city's building division duties.
1,064 Plans reviewed | 8,209 Inspections performed | 1,608 Permits issued

Public Safety

Slow Down on City Streets
Speeding in residential areas was a focal point for the city in 2023.

Safety Sensitive Zones went into effect June 1 to address speeding in residential neighborhoods. Fines for speeding are doubled in these four zones:

- Most of Fox Run Parkway from roughly North Park to South Park
Community Center Drive from SCL Health to Boondocks
Melody Drive Near Northglenn High School
Irma Drive from south of Fowler Drive to E. 115th Avenue

The Northglenn Police Department also spent more time on enforcement, leading to 2,413 citations for speed violations. This is up 41.3% from 2022.

NPD partnered with Flock Safety license plate reading technology to help prevent and solve crime. The Flock cameras capture objective vehicle details needed to track leads and solve crime.

The Police Department and Economic Development Department started working with visitors, tenants and property owners at the Washington Point Shopping Center on safety concerns. These efforts will continue into 2024.

STRATEGIC PLAN ITEMS COMPLETED

- Identify ways to improve the safety and perception of E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park
Increase community outreach through public meetings to include apartments, businesses and ward meetings
Maintain 100% success rate for officers completing the POST Academy
Develop and implement a succession plan with career development opportunities to encourage longevity, increase career satisfaction, and provide ease in transition when vacancies occur at the supervisory level
Implement a traffic unit
80% of sworn personnel rate job satisfaction as 'good' in employee survey

By The Numbers

- 1,234 Cars that came through the Police Department's shred event in August
Police Statistics Comparison
Category: 2023 to date*, 2022 to date | % Change
*Stats through November, otherwise December
Traffic Accidents: 1,280, 1,251 | -2.3%
Speed Violations: 2,413, 1,708 | +41.3%
Aggravated Assault*: 143, 148 | -3.4%
Burglary*: 92, 117 | -21.4%
Motor Vehicle Theft*: 240, 373 | -35.7%
Drug Violations*: 255, 286 | -10.8%

Don't Leave Your Car Alone While Running

It's chilly out, but please don't leave your car unlocked and running just so it can warm up.

Cars running alone outside, commonly known as 'puffers', are prime targets for theft. Criminals pass by neighborhoods, parking lots, gas stations and convenience stores looking for puffers. If one is spotted, the car could be gone in just a few seconds.

Car theft causes plenty of angst for the owner. There's insurance, lost documents and replacing items. Criminals have access to keys, the address, garage door opener and more. Plus, these stolen cars are often used to commit other crimes.

Thankfully, there's an easy solution. If your car is running, don't leave it unattended. You can also use a remote starter, since the keys aren't

in the vehicle. Warming up your car in the garage will work, but please make sure the garage door is up far enough to let out dangerous exhaust fumes.

If your car is stolen, contact law enforcement immediately. If you know the theft occurred in the previous 15 minutes, call 911. If more time than that has passed or you are unsure, call 303.288.1535.

A Message from Police Chief Jim May

Progress Made in 2023, Progress Coming in 2024



May

As we kick off a new year, I want to take a moment to look back on 2023. It was a year of perseverance, dedication, and strides toward ensuring the safety and well-being of our community.

Throughout the past year, our police department remained unwavering in its commitment to serving the needs of you, our residents. We responded to more than 48,000 calls for service, a testament to our readiness and availability whenever you needed us.

► Go to Pages 6 and 7 for more Public Safety highlights in the city's 2023 Year in Review.

Another encouraging aspect of 2023 was the decrease in homicides compared to the previous year. In 2022, Northglenn lost five lives to tragic circumstances. However, in 2023, that number dropped to three, marking a 40% decrease. This decline signifies the effectiveness of our collective efforts in fostering a safer environment.

I'm also thrilled to share that Northglenn Police added 14 new sworn officers in 2023. These additions not only strengthen our force

COFFEE WITH THE CHIEF



Fri., Feb. 9, 8-9 a.m., Safeway Starbucks, 500 E. 120th Ave.

Come talk to Chief May on the second Friday of every month about any police or public safety concerns you may have. *As an added bonus - the coffee's on us!*

but also signify our continued commitment to keep our community safe.

New Reporting Tool Coming

Looking forward to 2024 - the Northglenn Police Department will launch an online reporting system for certain criminal incidents. This new tool will empower residents to report identified property crime incidents promptly without the need to wait for a police officer, streamlining the reporting process and contributing to a safer community. Look for our launch of this new tool in the first quarter of 2024. We are excited about how this new crime reporting option will modernize law enforcement practices and enhance community involvement.

Thank you for your continued trust and support.

- Police Chief Jim May

48K

Calls for service for the Northglenn Police Department in 2023

14

New officers sworn in by NPD in 2023

NORTH METRO FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT

North Metro Fire Rescue provides emergency fire and ambulance services to residents in Northglenn, Broomfield, and unincorporated areas of four counties.

Free CPR, Bleeding Control Class Sat., March 2, North Metro Fire Headquarters, 101 Spader Way, Broomfield

North Metro Fire is hosting two free non-certification CPR classes and bleeding control training. Residents of all ages are invited to learn these lifesaving skills in an interactive and engaging class taught by North Metro firefighters. You'll leave knowing how to perform CPR on adults and children, how to use an AED, and what actions

to take to stop bleeding from a serious injury.

- CPR Class #1: 8-10 a.m.
- Bleeding Control Training: 10:30-11:30 a.m.
- CPR Class #2: 12-2 p.m.

Both CPR sessions provide the same training.

► Register today to ensure your spot at www.nmfr.org/cpr.

Spring Fire Citizens Academy

Tuesdays, March 26 to May 4, 6-9 p.m.

Registration is now open for North Metro Fire's Citizens Academy. Participants will gain in-depth knowledge of North Metro Fire and its

operations through interactive, hands-on sessions taught by North Metro firefighters. ► Learn more about this exciting opportunity, and sign up online by Feb. 23 at www.nmfr.org/citizensacademy.

Save With Ambulance Membership

Have you signed up or renewed your Ambulance Membership with North Metro Fire? It's not too late. The annual cost is \$40 for individuals, \$45 to \$55 for families. All Northglenn

residents with health insurance are eligible. ► Sign up online today to help cover costs related to an emergency transport on the ambulance at www.nmfr.org/amp.

DONATE YOUR CELL PHONE FOR A GOOD CAUSE

How long has that old cell phone been sitting in your drawer? Put it to good use by dropping it off at the barrel in the Justice Center lobby! It will be used as an emergency-only cell phone by domestic violence victims, seniors and others. (All personal information will be cleared from the phone before being given away.)



17TH DA ACADEMY THIS FEBRUARY & MARCH

Tuesdays and Thursdays, Feb. 20-March 14, 5:30-8:30 p.m., 17th Judicial District Attorney's Office, 1000 Judicial Center Drive, Brighton

The 17th Judicial District Attorney's Office (17th DAO) and District Attorney Brian Mason invite Adams County and Broomfield residents to this free program where you will learn about the inner workings of the office and the criminal justice system overall.

► To apply for the academy, go to <https://forms.office.com/g/D2S4cfrGD>.

► For more details, contact Chris Hopper at chopper@da17.state.co.us.

About the District Attorney's Office

The 17th Judicial District Attorney's Office is responsible for the prosecution of misdemeanor, traffic, and felony cases in Adams and Broomfield Counties. It represents the people of the State of Colorado and seeks justice on behalf of crime victims and their families.



The city's Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) project has hit its first milestone. The desired depth of the first well has been reached and now construction of that well will begin shortly. Once construction of the first well is finalized, staff can begin test pumping. After the first well is finished, crews will start on the second. Both will be located adjacent to the Water Treatment Facility, 2350 W. 112th Ave.

ASR injects water into deep bedrock aquifers for long-term storage. The water is then available for future recovery during droughts or seasonal high-demand periods. If successful, ASR will provide additional drought resilience and sustainability to the city's water supplies. The viability of the project will be decided sometime in 2024.

Drilling can run 24 hours a day at times. Sound walls are in place to help mitigate the noise, but those nearby may still be able to hear the drilling.

The city thanks you for your understanding and apologizes for any inconvenience.

► For more information on the project, go to www.northglenn.org/aquifer.

All's Well That Starts Well

► Drilling Progresses on Aquifer Storage & Recovery Project Near Next to City's Water Treatment Facility



RESOURCE CENTRAL WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAMS



The city partners with Resource Central, a nonprofit based out of Boulder, which works to save water, conserve energy, and reduce waste.

Reserve Your Garden In A Box

Tackle that problem area in your yard once and for all by planting a beautiful, waterwise Garden In A Box this spring.

Professionally designed for Colorado yards, these kits are super easy to install and can help you save around 7,300 gallons of water over the garden's lifetime compared to a

traditional grass lawn (not to mention helping you save on your water bill!). Starting at just \$127, these kits are beautiful AND affordable.

► Visit ResourceCentral.org/Gardens to order your waterwise Garden In A Box today, and claim your discount for Northglenn customers.



93

Total Garden In the Box kits sold to Northglenn residents in 2023

Discounts for Lawn Replacement

The city and Resource Central want to help you transform your thirsty lawn into a beautiful, low-water landscape!

Check out the Lawn Replacement Program for discounts when you remove a section of lawn. It couldn't be any easier! Simply plan your project, choose your discounts,

then apply. After that, you'll have a phone consultation with our xeriscape advisors, then you're ready to remove some lawn!

Pick up your FREE plants, plant them yourself, and watch them bloom!
► Visit ResourceCentral.org/lawn or call 303.999.3820 ext. 221 to enroll!



8K

Square feet of turf removed from Northglenn lawns in 2023 through this program

How Do EVS Impact Environment?

Xcel Energy

EVs are a great transportation option that can lower your environmental impact.

- Fueling your vehicle with electricity instead of gasoline can reduce emissions by two-thirds, mainly due to the lack of tailpipe emissions.
- Manufacturing batteries and charging EVs results in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. However,

the US Environmental Protection Agency reports that over its lifetime, the **total GHG emissions associated with manufacturing, charging, and driving an EV are typically 60%-68% lower** than GHG emissions associated with the lifetime of a gasoline-powered car.

- EVs can be charged with renewable energy. Xcel Energy customers already participate in charging with renewable energy, including solar power and wind energy.

- **Costs:** Although the upfront costs of EVs are higher than gas-powered cars, EVs cost less to operate due to lower maintenance and fuel costs. During low, off-peak energy prices, driving electric equates to spending about \$1 per gallon equivalent of gasoline.

► For more information about EVs, go online to <http://ev.xcelenergy.com>.

NEW RTD FARE STRUCTURE

As of Jan. 1, you might have noticed your trip on RTD was cheaper. RTD underwent an extensive Fare and Equity Study over the past year.

One of the largest changes is that there are no longer local vs regional fares. It is just one standard fee for the Denver metro area, only \$5.50 for all day or \$2.75 for a three-hour pass!

► For other pricing updates, go to <https://www.rtd-denver.com>.

A Change for People's Choice

► "Metamorphosis" Selected for Permanent Placement in the City



Brighton artist Vanny Channal with his work "Metamorphosis"

The Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation (NAHF) announced artist Vanny Channal as the recipient of the 2023/2024 People's Choice Award for his scrap metal sculpture "Metamorphosis." The award is part of Northglenn's Art on Parade program. It features on-loan, outdoor sculptures exhibited at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park for one year. The public votes for their favorite, and NAHF works toward purchasing the piece for permanent display in Northglenn.

"When you look at where Cambodia should be on the earth portion of the sculpture, the outline of Cambodia is blown up to represent the footprint I am making as an artist but also as a voice for my people. As a Cambodian American with refugee parents, my life experiences are the experiences of a minority group within a cluster of other minority groups," said Channal, a Brighton resident.

The artist feels that the story of each of his scrap metal sculptures is also his story, sharing, "My story of overcoming circumstances, my story of redemption, my story of taking something that outlived its purpose and giving it a new chance at life."

► For more information about Vanny Channal and his metal fabrication shop, Steel 'N' Pacific, visit <https://steelnepacific.godaddysites.com>.

The piece will remain on display at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park through May, at which time six new sculptures-on-loan will be installed. The permanent location for "Metamorphosis" will be announced later in 2024. The NAHF has already secured funding for the piece from the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD).

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

Honoring a Legacy

► Proposal for Gallery at Parsons Theatre to be Named for Lucille Ruibal Rivera



Rivera

The late Lucille Ruibal Rivera played a pivotal role in fostering collaboration and enriching the Northglenn arts community. As a member of the Northglenn Arts and Humanities Foundation (NAHF) and the Diversity, Inclusivity and Social Equity Board, Lucille played a crucial role in promoting inclusivity. In recognition of her dedicated service to the community, a proposal has been brought forward to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board by the NAHF to name the gallery wall in the lobby of the Parsons Theatre in her honor.

The proposal submitted by the NAHF stated, "As an accomplished artist and photographer, she shared her passion for art and inclusivity with everyone she encountered. We believe that naming the gallery space in her honor is a fitting tribute to her life of service and dedication to our community."

As a key figure in facilitating collaboration between Northglenn Arts and the Chicano Humanities & Art Council

"As an accomplished artist and photographer, she shared her passion for art and inclusivity with everyone she encountered."

—From the NAHF naming proposal

(CHAC), she curated a space that provided extraordinary experiences for residents and visitors to the Parsons Theatre. Her commitment to showcasing a broad spectrum of art, including works representing the LGBTQIA+ community, Dia de los Muertos celebrations, street art, and the creations of the late Stevon Lucero, reflected her dedication to diversity and cultural representation. In addition, Lucille was a former clinic administrator for Denver Health and helped launch the Tepeyac Community Health Center.

As per the Parks Naming Policy, there is a 90-day assessment period during which the board is seeking any support, opposition or alternatives to the proposal. Anyone who would like to provide feedback to the Parks Board about the proposal is invited to attend their meeting on Thursday, Feb. 8, or Thursday, March 14, at 5:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers. Options are also available to participate remotely or to submit feedback via email. Please contact Christie Chambers at 303.280.7821 or cchambers@northglenn.org.

PACKAGES

ALL THREE FILMS ONLY \$18!
OR WITH CATERED LUNCH \$54!

2024 Travel Film Series
NORTHGLENNARTS.ORG

THE CITIES OF EUROPE
Marlin Darrah
FEB 13 - 10am

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK

YELLOWSTONE
Dale Johnson
APR 2 - 10am

HOT SPOTS
Gray Warriner
MAY 14 - 10am

Individual tickets are \$9 for adults, \$7 for students and seniors.
Lunch and film tickets are \$22 for adults and \$20 for students and seniors.

VOTE

2024 Summer Movies in the Park

Go to www.northglenn.org/movievote

Choose from the Films Listed Below By Feb. 15.

• The Little Mermaid (2023)	• Pete's Dragon (2016)	• The Marvels	• The Hunger Games - Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes
• The Super Mario Bros. Movie (2023)	• Barbie	• Cool Runnings	• Trolls Band Together
• Luca	• Wonka (2023)	• The Color Purple (2023)	• Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny
• The Iron Giant	• Wish (2023)	• Vivo	
• FernGully - The Last Rainforest	• Honey, I Shrunk the Kids	• Shrek	
	• Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3	• The Wiz	
		• Angels in the Outfield	

► The Northglenn Recreation Center, Northglenn Senior Center and Parsons Theatre are located at 1 E. Memorial Parkway.

► For items with a **RECTRAC CODE**, sign up at www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn or call 303.450.8800.



The Teen Adventure trip on Feb. 22 is to Boondocks, where you can bowl, play video games and compete in laser tag.

TEEN ACTIVITIES

Is your older child/teen looking for something to do? This is a sample of what's available at the Northglenn Recreation Center. Open to youth ages 10 to 17.

Video Game Day

Sat., Feb. 10, 2:30-6 p.m.

Compete in pick-up and competitive games! Play on gaming laptops, PS5, XBOX S and Nintendo Switch. Snacks and drinks provided. Participants receive fun prizes. Cost is \$5. Please sign up by Feb. 7. **RECTRAC CODE: 10921001**

- Feb. 19 – Apex Indoor Pool
- Feb. 20 – Lava Island (tent.)
- Feb. 21 – Wild Animal Sanctuary
- Feb. 22 – Boondocks
- Feb. 23 – Molly Brown House Museum Tour & High Tea Experience

Destinations may change depending on weather. Please bring a sack lunch, water bottle, cold-weather clothing and swimming attire as appropriate. Cost is \$45 for residents, \$50 for non-residents. Register at least one week in advance.

Teen Adventures

9 a.m.-3 p.m., leave and return to the rec center

Celebrate a day off from school by going on an adventure! Each day, head to a regional attraction for some fun.

RECTRAC CODE: 10924011 (Ages 10-13) and **10924012** (Ages 14-17)

FITNESS

These rec center activities will help you reach your health and wellness goals.

Sound Bath

Sat., Feb. 17, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. | Ages 16+

Experience what sound vibration immersion can do for your body, mind and energy field. Register by Feb. 14. Cost is \$20 for residents, \$25 for non-residents. **RECTRAC CODE: 10423001**

Weight Room Orientation

Fri., March 1, 9:30-10:30 a.m. | Ages 14+

The weight room offers a variety of workout equipment and resources. If you are new to it, this is a great place to start! Cost is free. Please RSVP by Feb. 23. **RECTRAC CODE: 10425001**



MOTORCOACH TRIP TO SAVANNAH

April 26-May 6, Leave from the Northglenn Senior Center

The Northglenn Senior Organization is sponsoring an 11-day, 10-night motorcoach trip to the Savannah, Ga. area. Along the way, you'll visit St. Louis, Nashville, Beaufort, S.C., Atlanta and Kansas City, Mo. Enjoy tours of museums, popular destinations and scenic locales. Cost is \$1,495 per person. The sign-up deadline is Feb. 19. ► For more information, call 303.450.8801 or go to www.grouptrips.com/northglenn.

SENIOR CENTER

In addition to hot coffee and warm smiles, the Northglenn Senior Center offers activities throughout the month. These are for people 55 and over and held at the center. All are free except the Savannah trip. Register at least two days in advance unless noted by stopping at the center, calling 303.450.8801, or going to www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn.

Wii Golf

Tues., Feb. 6, 1 p.m.

It may be cold outside, but that doesn't mean you can't hit the fairways – even if it is on a screen! Prizes for the best score and walk-ins are welcome. **RECTRAC CODE: 10531005**



Leap Day Celebration

Thurs., Feb. 29, 1 p.m.

Celebrate leap year with fun, food and activities. **RECTRAC CODE: 10531001**

Pig Day Potluck

Fri., March 1, 12 p.m.

Celebrate National Pig Day with pig races and everything bacon. Bring a potluck dish that includes bacon or pork – even dessert! Don't miss this squealing good time. **RECTRAC CODE: 10530007**



ANYTHINK LIBRARY PRESENTS: Crafts with Kristie

Thurs., Feb. 8, 12:30 p.m.

Anythink is in the house with a series of fun craft projects. For this class, learn how to build hanging terrariums. All materials are provided. **RECTRAC CODE: 10527003**

Some of last year's Hoodie Hoo day participants

Hoodie Hoo Day Potluck

Fri., Feb. 16, 12 p.m.

Chase away the winter blahs! Wave your hands over your heads and yell "Hoodie Hoo" at winter, then come on inside for a potluck. **RECTRAC CODE: 10530002**



CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Who says big kids have all the fun? These opportunities at the recreation center give young children a place to interact in a supervised environment while having a blast!

\$25 for non-residents, with a second child discount of \$13 for residents, \$19 for non-residents. Register by Feb. 8. **RECTRAC CODE: 10206003**

ADULT'S NIGHT OUT: Valentine's Day

Thurs., Feb. 15, 5-8 p.m. | Ages 3-10

It's Valentine's Day! Time to take that special someone out for a romantic evening – but what are you going to do with the kids? Bring them over to the rec center, where they can bustle around the indoor playground and children's classroom. We'll have fun, games, crafts, pizza and plenty of playtime.

Children must be potty trained. Cost is \$18 for residents and

Little Veterinary School



Feb. 19-23, 9 a.m.-noon | Ages 6-10

After adopting their very own plush puppy, students will roleplay the key responsibilities of a veterinarian, properly performing a nose-to-tail exam. These future veterinarians will learn how to sew stitches, make healthy treats and vaccinate the dog.

Cost is \$310 for residents, \$372 for non-residents. **RECTRAC CODE: 10206004**

PUBLIC HEARING: RECREATION PROGRAMMING

Thurs., Feb. 8, 5:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, 11701 Community Center Dr.

Do you have any opinions or suggestions for recreational programming in the city – either in parks or at the rec center? The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is hosting a public hearing and would love to know what you think. They'll use your input to make recommendations to City Council.

If you can't make the meeting, you can submit your opinion at www.northglenn.org/parksboard. ► For more information, call 303.280.7821.

A Sweet Slice into America's Social Fabric Celebrating Black History Month

Dasha Kelly Hamilton, renowned as Wisconsin's Poet Laureate and Milwaukee's Artist of the Year in 2021, presents "Makin' Cake," a spoken word performance that not only slices into American history but also serves as a poignant exploration of race, culture, and class, all within the delicious metaphor of cake.

Despite Dasha's confession, "I love cake, and I don't bake. At all, ever," the title of the show takes on a deeper significance. Cake becomes a creative lens through which to examine the intricate ingredients woven into the fabric of American society, especially during the month dedicated to honoring Black history.

Dasha provocatively asks, "If cake were our national conversation, what can we learn from the layers, from the active agents blended into the recipe and process?"

With poignant vignettes, digital media, and a supporting cast of on-stage bakers, Dasha crafts a storytelling experience that serves up more than just entertainment—it sparks a conversation about equity in America.



Originally commissioned by the John Michael Kohler Arts Center, "Makin' Cake" involved Dasha facilitating arts-based conversations on race and class in Sheboygan.

As the show continues to evolve, it incorporates diverse voices and perspectives, making it a fitting celebration for Black History Month.

"If cake were our national conversation, what can we learn from the layers, from the active agents blended into the recipe and process?"

Adding to the excitement of the evening, local celebrity Cleo Parker Robinson will join the performance as a special guest baker. Robinson, a prominent figure in the local community, brings her own flair to the celebration. As the founder of Cleo Parker Robinson Dance, she has made significant contributions to the arts, enriching the cultural landscape.

"Makin' Cake" is a short story about America's sweet tooth and pathway to salvation—and leaves room for dessert and dialogue with a cake reception immediately following the performance.

Sat., Feb. 24, 7:30 p.m. Parsons Theatre, 1 E. Memorial Parkway

Tickets start at \$18 | Order at NorthglennARTS.org or 303.450.8888

Northglenn Arts

Performances at the Parsons Theatre
1 E. Memorial Parkway, Northglenn

Sgt. Peppers Lonely Bluegrass Band



FEB 15



Want more Bluegrass?
The Midwinter Bluegrass Festival returns to the Delta Hotel by Marriott in Northglenn February 16-18, 2024.



LET'S Celebrate BLACK HISTORY
Cleo Parker Robinson Dance
SPRINGTIME IN MOURNING

FEB 24

MAKIN' CAKE
with special guest baker and local celebrity Cleo Parker Robinson



FEB 29
MAR 1

Generous support provided by



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