

The Daddy Daughter Sweetheart Ball has been a very popular Northglenn event for nearly 20 years. But this year, due to the restrictions and precautions surrounding the spread of the COVID virus, the dance was not an option.

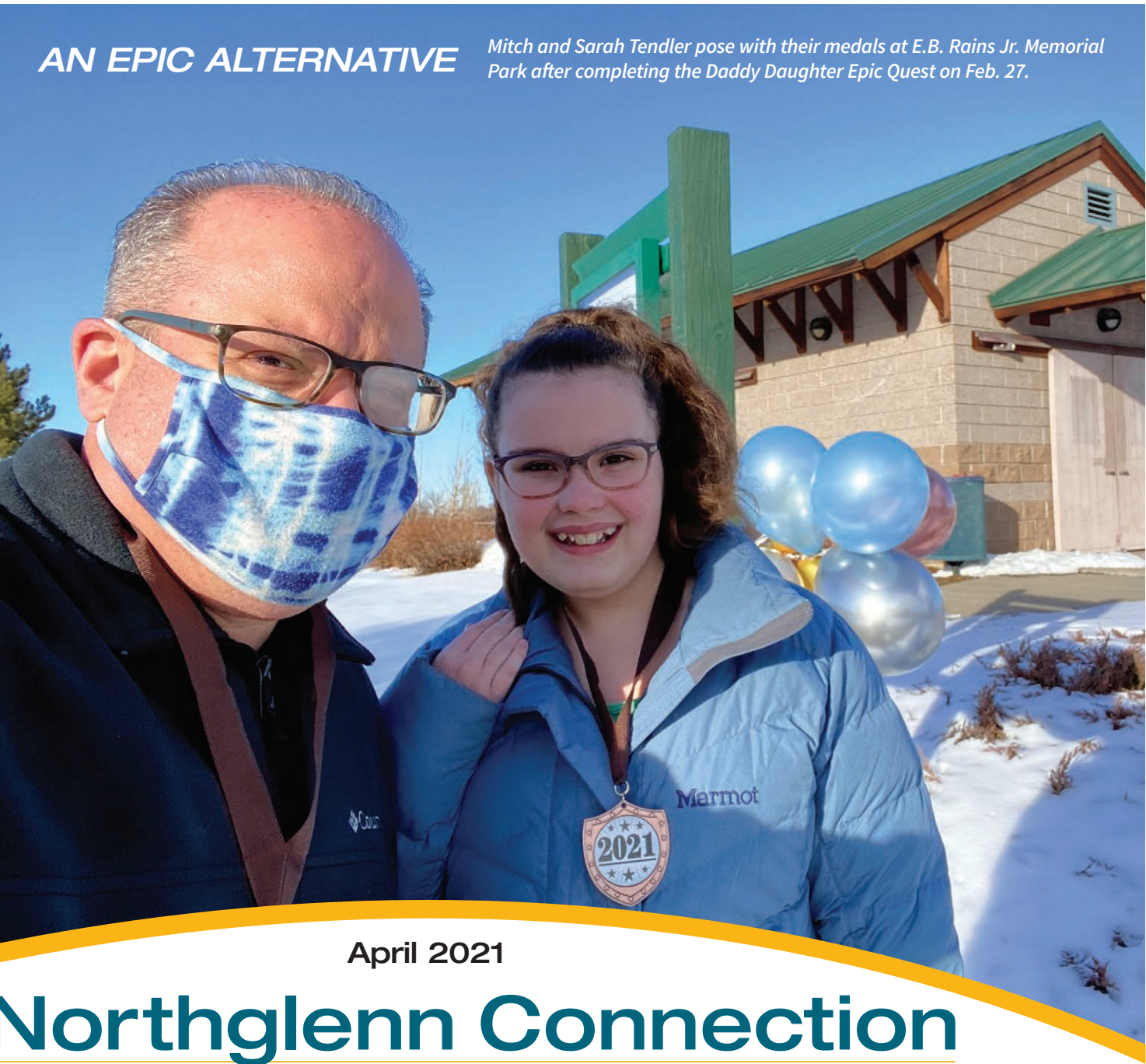
Rather than cancel, what arose was the “Daddy Daughter Epic Quest” – a scavenger hunt adventure.

25 teams followed clues, solved riddles and visited a variety of places within our boundaries. At each location, the team opened a treasure box with a new clue, a puzzle piece and some sort of surprise – a toy, candy, etc. Once all the destinations were reached, the team went to E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park to receive their victory medals!

All the participants remarked how fun the event was and were so thankful to the city and Northglenn Arts for offering up an activity that not only got them out of the house, but also made for some wonderful memories filled with laughter and surprise.

Thanks to these businesses for their participation and donations to the Epic Quest: Bravo’s Italian Restaurant, Scooter’s Coffee, Spill the Tea, JOANN Fabrics, Boondocks and Puzzle Effect.

And a big thank you to the volunteers: Marilyn and Dennis Lynch, Shannon and Andy Sprague, Linda Snodderly, Rachel Brazell, Sam Opp, Angila Waldman, Evka Turpin, Rebekah Atwell, Dave Jones, Elise Jongejan and Philip Jongejan.



AN EPIC ALTERNATIVE

Mitch and Sarah Tendler pose with their medals at E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park after completing the Daddy Daughter Epic Quest on Feb. 27.

April 2021



Northglenn Connection

Accountability and Transparency

► Police Officers Now Wearing Body Cameras on Patrol

As one part of the Police Department’s commitment to enhancing its community policing model, Northglenn police officers have added body-worn cameras as part of their standard uniform.

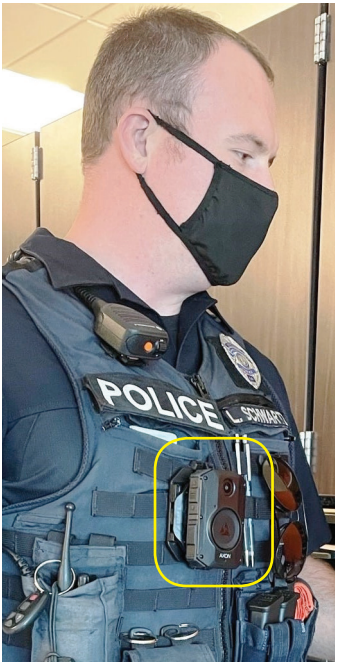
All officers will be required to wear cameras in the field, with the exception of undercover officers. And this fall, all patrol vehicles will also be equipped with cameras.

The goal – increase accountability and transparency.

The body-worn cameras have technology to automatically activate if an officer removes their gun from their holster, or activates their Taser. When the in-car cameras come online, the cameras will automatically turn on when certain actions happen, such as the car door opens or the emergency equipment is fully activated.

If any of these actions occur, the technology also activates any other body-worn camera within a 30-foot distance.

“The four pillars of the Northglenn Police Department are Character, Courage, Commitment and Competence,” said Police Chief James S. May, Jr. “By having these state-of-the-art



Northglenn police officers are now wearing a body camera (highlighted with the yellow outline) on patrol.

systems, we can make sure our officers are acting with character and courage, and this added level of transparency shows our commitment to serve and protect the community.”

This is a proactive step for the department. Passage of Colorado Senate Bill 20-217 requires all law enforcement officers in the state, with the exception of undercover officers, to have body cameras by July 1, 2023. Not only is the department ahead of this timeline by more than 24

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– Police Chief James S. May, Jr.

months, the in-car cameras are not required.

The cost for implementation is roughly \$280,000 per year for 10 years. Funds were included in the 2021 Budget.

The cameras are just one part of the Police Department’s evolution to the Community Co-Production Policing (CCPP) philosophy of law enforcement. The goals of CCPP are to reduce fractionalism, create transparency and balance influence between the officers and the residents they serve. The idea is that this evolution will lead to increased community trust, enhanced public safety and improved racial/diversity equity.

This innovative community-oriented philosophy came in response to the 360 Assessment completed by outside consultants in 2020. The Police Department is now working on a new strategic plan based on the assessment.

Also as part of this shift to CCPP, the city launched the CCPP Advisory Board. This group of residents, community safety representatives and community service providers assist the department with the implementation of the CCPP philosophy.

Various CCPP and DISE (Diversity, Inclusivity, and Social Equity) Board members assisted with the Deputy Chief hiring process by participating in one of the assessment panels. The community was invited to submit questions for the online question and answer session with the position finalists. You can view this presentation at www.northglenn.org/deputychieforum.

“Our community let us know that they wanted deeper engagement with the Police Department,” said May. “We can do this by embracing the principles of Community Co-Production Policing.”

IN THIS EDITION

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COVID CLOSURES

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, City Hall and the Maintenance & Operations Building are CLOSED to the public, with services accessible by phone, email or web.

Recreation is open with pre-registration. Restrictions are expected to ease in April.

► See Page 5 for all current city operations.

March 2021 City Council Recap

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.

MARCH 1: STUDY SESSION

- **Topics:** Homelessness Community Task Force Update; Paid Family and Caregiver Leave

MARCH 8: REGULAR MEETING

- **Proclamations:** Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month – March 2021; Women’s History Month – March 2021; National Poison Prevention Week – March 14-20, 2021
- **Presentations:** Introduction of District Attorney Brian Mason; Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation Strategic Plan
- **Consent Agenda:** CR-27 Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation Per Capita Funding; CR-29 Paid Family and Caregiver Leave – *passed unanimously*
- **Ordinances on First Reading:**
 - CB-1969 Supplemental Appropriation and CIP Carry Over – *passed unanimously*
- **Resolutions:**
 - CR-25 Private Activity Bonds 2021 Assignment to CHFA – *passed unanimously*

- CR-26 First Amendment to Subdivision Improvement Agreement for Karl’s Farm Filing No. 1, Amendment No. 2 Final Plat – *passed unanimously*

- CR-28 Aquifer Storage and Recovery Feasibility Study Phase 2 – *passed unanimously*

- **Discussion Item:** Neighborhood Services Level of Service

MARCH 15: STUDY SESSION

- 2021 Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Awards ► See Mayor Meredith Leighty’s column on Page 4 for details.

MARCH 22: REGULAR MEETING

- **Presentations:** March 2021 Good Neighbor Awards; Update from U.S. Senator Hickenlooper’s Office
- **Consent Agenda:** CR-30 Historic Preservation Commission Reappointment – Joyce Downing; CR-31 Planning Commission Reappointment – Carolann Walters; CR-32 Citizens’ Affairs Board Appointment – Michael Watkins;

CR-33 Liquor Licensing Authority Appointment – Nicholas Walker – *passed unanimously*

- **Public Hearing and Ordinance on Second Reading:**

- CB-1969 Supplemental Appropriation and CIP Carry Over – *no public comment received, passed unanimously*

- **Resolutions:**

- CR-15 Dolly Parton Imagination Library Funding Request – *passed unanimously*
- CR-34 Local Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan IGA – *passed unanimously*
- CR-35 Water Treatment Plant Solids Handling Improvements Addendum #1 – *passed unanimously*
- CR-36 Theatre Name Modification – *passed 7-2 (no votes Brown and Esquibel)*

- **Discussion Items:** NGCC Phase 1 Implementation March Update; Lift Station A and Force Main A Replacement Update ► Go to www.northglenn.org/forcemainaproject for more information on the Force Main A Project.

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 will be held virtually until further notice. Go to www.northglenn.org for updates on future meetings and study sessions.

WATCH & LEARN ... VIRTUALLY

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

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

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.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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:

- Public comment for regular and special meetings may be submitted to jsmall@northglenn.org or 303.450.8757 prior to the meeting start time. Comments are not taken at study sessions.
- You may also call or email the mayor or council members to share your opinion on city issues. ► **Contact information below.**

COUNCIL SCHEDULE

April meetings will be virtual.

- Study Sessions: 6 p.m. Mon. April 5 and 19
- Regular Meetings: 7 p.m. Mon. April 12 and 26

Upcoming topics (tentative):

- Drought mitigation plan
- RTD update



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

FREE FOOD AT MARKET NIGHT

April 7, 14, 21 and 28, 3-5 p.m., Northwest Open Space north parking lot, East 112th Avenue and Ranch Drive

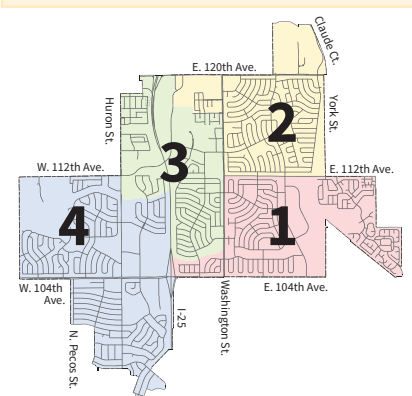
Drive on by and receive fruit, vegetables and dairy products for FREE. The Northglenn Bike Program will also have some bicycles available to give away on April 21 and 28 ONLY. This service is available while supplies last, and is sponsored by The Senior Hub, Adams County, and the city.

YOU COULD WORK HERE THIS SUMMER!

We are currently hiring for Aquatics, Parks, Day Camp and Sports. To apply or for more details, go to www.northglenn.org/jobs.



CITY WARDS



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City Manager's Column: A Letter from Heather Geyer *Heather M. Geyer*

22.5 Inches in 55 Hours

► Everyone Stepped Up for Historic March Blizzard

I love many things about Colorado, such as the sunshine that comes *after* storms. We did experience this just recently with the fourth-largest blizzard in Colorado history. For Coloradoans, it is not unusual for us to experience spring snowstorms, but I have to say 22.5 inches in 55 hours is A LOT of snow! The most recent blizzard hit us with more ferocity than usual. Despite the challenge the storm presented, I am very proud of the work of our snow removal crews who started working at noon on Saturday and worked 10-hour shifts until 9 p.m. Monday night to keep up with the heavy snow accumulation, freezing temperatures and treacherous road conditions. I also want to express my thanks to first responders who assisted with motorists who found themselves stuck in whiteout conditions. Our city snow removal response is a team effort.



Geyer

The duration of this storm was different than others. The storm lingered and this presented challenges for our crews in keeping up with clearing major arterials that are priority roadways. Snow crews continued to put in long days the week after the storm to clear residential streets, provide areas for emergency response, ensure school areas were safe, and respond to resident requests. Snow crews consist of staff from Public Works and Parks who work early and often to clear city facilities, bus stops, trails and more.

As of Monday night, every residential street in Northglenn had at least one pass with a plow, but that did not mean all streets were in passable condition given the duration of the storm and overall snow accumulation. Some residents probably couldn't tell their street had been plowed because of these challenges during our initial response. I can share personally how defeated I felt every time I went out to shovel my driveway and sidewalk every two hours. I felt like I couldn't keep

CITY SNOW SERVICE

- **4:** Number of inches when the city starts plowing residential streets
- **241:** Miles of road the city clears: **62** primary, **88** secondary and **91** residential
- **3 to 5:** Number of staff per shift who plow for snow events less than 4 inches
- **6 to 10:** Number of staff per shift who plow for events greater than 4 inches
- **12:** Number of hours straight a city employee is allowed to plow

- **Number of hours to plow the following sections of roads once:**
 - **3.1:** Primary routes (e.g. Washington Street or 120th Avenue)
 - **5.9:** Secondary routes (e.g. Irma Drive and Melody Drive)
 - **12.1:** Residential

up – it was a blizzard after all. On Sunday, I believe I shoveled five times.

Based on City Council direction in early 2020, Northglenn snow removal crews have made great strides in the past year increasing our level of service and being more responsive. Blizzards put any response plan to the test. Thank you for your patience and support of snow removal crews. I also want to extend a thanks to our Snow Stormer volunteers (and residents who decided to lend a hand), who not only dug themselves out, but then went and helped dig out those unable to do so themselves. This level of neighbors taking care of neighbors is what makes our community special!

As we continue to thaw out from the storm, I look forward to seeing green grass and spring truly blossom in the city.

– City Manager Heather Geyer

► Go to www.northglenn.org/volunteer for more about Snow Stormers and other volunteering opportunities!

PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCIES: 911

Animal Control.....	303.450.8886
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
Development	
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/cityofnorthglenn	
www.twitter.com/NorthglennCo	
www.youtube.com/cityofnorthglenn	
www.northglenn.org/nextdoor	
www.instagram.com/cityofnorthglenn	

Auto Payment Info Must Be Updated

► Upgrade for City's Utility Billing Online System

The city updated its online utility bill payment system on March 30, requiring the system to go offline for a few hours. This update requires that customers with auto pay MUST re-enter their payment information. (The city's online utility billing partner may have already sent you an email about this from noreply@merchanttransact.com.)

- To re-enter your payment method:
- Log in online at <https://northglenn.merchanttransact.com>. (Your sign-in information will still work).
 - From the My Profile tab, first delete your existing payment method(s) by clicking "Remove" next to the payment method. If this action prompts any pop-ups, click "OK" to proceed to the next step.
 - While still on the My Profile tab, click "Add a new payment method" and enter the details for the payment method you would like to use. Please verify and select any options preferred

- such as auto-pay, electronic bills, etc.
- To confirm that you have added a new payment method correctly, your newly added payment method will appear on the Make Payment or Add Credit tab listed under Existing Payment Options.
 - If you do not see your newly added payment method, repeat the steps above.
- If you have any questions, call 303.450.8770 weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. We apologize for any inconvenience. Your information remains safe and secure throughout this upgrade.

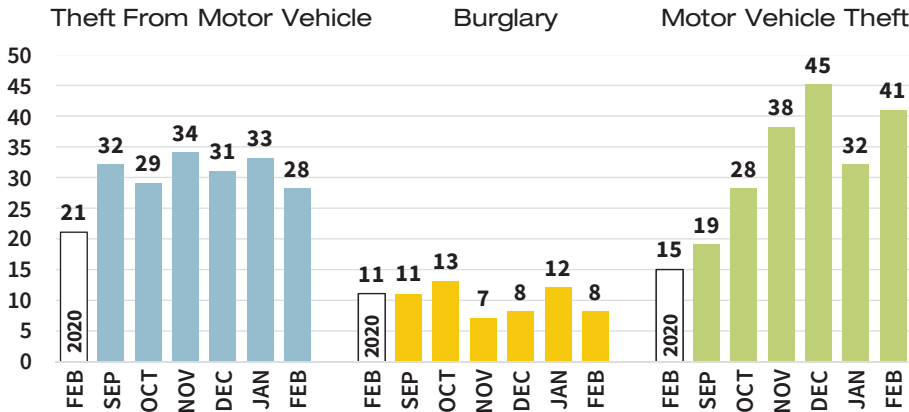
2020: ANNUAL REPORT

NORTH METRO FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT

► Check out the North Metro Fire 2020 Annual Report at www.nmfr.org/2020report.

February 2021 Crime Statistics

These charts show statistics from the Police Department for theft from a motor vehicle, burglary and motor vehicle theft in the city over the last six months and from February 2020. To report a non life-threatening crime, call 303.288.1535. Dial 911 in an emergency.



Mayor's Memo: A Message from Mayor Meredith Leighty

Meredith Leighty

Strong Beyond Their Years

► Council Honors 24 Youth as Part of Adams County Awards Program

On March 15, City Council had the pleasure of honoring the 24 Northglenn recipients of the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Awards (ACMCYA). This is one of my favorite events of the year because the stories behind the awards are so moving.



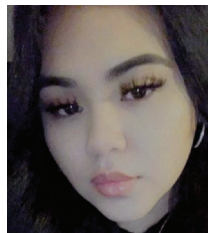
Leighty

Despite the necessity of a virtual event, the connection with others was palpable – I know I was not the only one brought to tears over the course of the evening. The opportunity to interact with students who have shown such resiliency, courage, and optimism despite considerable adversity is just as rewarding for City Council as it is for the honorees.

ACMCYA recognizes young people



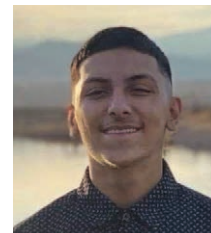
Arredondo



Martinez



Smith



James Torres



Jasmine Torres

Five city honorees – Juan Arredondo, Anabel Martinez, Evelyn Anne Smith, James Torres, and Jasmine Torres – will receive awards at the county level.

who have overcome obstacles through service to self, family, school or community and offers them opportunities for further development as valued and contributing members of society. Students are nominated by their teachers, counselors and youth leaders.

The 24 students honored attend Northglenn High School, Northglenn Middle School and Vantage Point High School.

All nominees are recognized at the local level, and several move forward to county-level recognition. Five of Northglenn's honorees were selected by a county-wide committee to receive this additional recognition: Juan Arredondo, Anabel Martinez, Evelyn Anne Smith, James Torres, and Jasmine Torres (pictured above).

CITY HONOREES FOR 2021 ADAMS COUNTY MAYORS AND COMMISSIONERS YOUTH AWARDS

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| • Juan Arredondo | • "L" Elfego Gonzalez | • Maddy McPherson | • Heavenly Roybal |
| • Brandon Aviles | | | |
| • Michael Brabo | • Bradley Hernandez | • Xaenin Miles | • Ilyna Saidi |
| • Jesus Cardenas | | • Mariam Feda Mohammad | • Evelyn Anne Smith |
| • Jesus Sanchez Cardona | • Joseph Humbert | • Gabriel Naeja | • Yessena Stines |
| • Mia Diaz | • Hope Lodwick | • Daylaren Padilla | • James Torres |
| • Gael Galindo | • Anabel Martinez | • Evan Roman | • Jasmine Torres |

If you would like to hear the remarkable student stories, watch the presentation on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/Nmo0XWepnGo>.

Congrats – and from the bottom of my heart, thank you for inspiring us all.

– Mayor Meredith Leighty

STREAMING SERVICES



The Mile High Flood District has big plans for Adams County in 2021! Each year they work with local jurisdictions to design, construct, and maintain stream corridors, including removal of trash and debris, provide flood warning services, and develop resources related to improving water quality in our streams. In Northglenn, they'll focus on Grange Hall Creek at Washington Street (shown above). They will also be working on vegetation management, sediment removal, restoration projects and minor repairs. To learn more, visit <https://mhfd.org/residents/work-in-your-area/>.

FOUR STARS

Northglenn native and Northglenn High School graduate Army Lt. Gen. Laura J. (Strickland) Richardson was nominated by President Joe



Richardson

Biden for the appointment as general and the assignment as commander of U.S. Southern Command in Doral, Fla. on March 6. She is currently the commanding general of U.S. Army North, Joint Base San Antonio, Texas.

The city honored Richardson as part of its year-long 50th Anniversary celebration in 2019.

#NorthglennProud

Playing Indoors

► New Rec Center Work Shifts to Interior

Now that the structural infrastructure of the new Northglenn Recreation Center, Senior Center and Theatre is complete, attention is turning to the inside of the facility.

For the new Parsons Theatre, crews are installing the theatrical rigging systems, and tile is being put down in hallways and restrooms.

From the outside, you can see the large windows in place. Patrons in the fitness area will be able to look out over the future Festival Lawn. By the pool, cabanas have received their first coat of paint. Also, basketball hoops are being installed in the gymnasium.

► The new facility, located behind City Hall just south of the current center, will offer 87,887 square feet of community benefits including swimming, fitness areas, preschool, arts & culture programming, classes, events and performances. Estimated completion is late 2021.



Facility Work Coming for City Schools

Courtesy Adams 12 Five Star District

Construction and school improvement work will continue across the Adams 12 Five Star District in summer 2021 with projects at nearly 30 schools and facilities.

The Five Star community made a significant investment in students and schools when it passed a \$350 million bond issue in November 2016. Over the multi-year Bond Program, the Five Star District will invest in aging school buildings, relieve overcrowding, address programming needs and ensure all students learn in a safe, warm and dry environment. The following schools in Northglenn will undergo work this summer:

- Hillcrest Elementary: Crawlspace and plumbing repair work

- Hulstrom K-8: Roof restoration and skylight replacement
- Malley Drive Elementary: Roof and skylight repair work
- Northglenn High School: Roof replacement that will be funded with the support of a \$1.7M state of Colorado BEST Grant

The Westview Elementary School roof will be replaced this summer.



- Westview Elementary: Roof replacement

Other planned work throughout the district includes:

- Critical building systems improvements including plumbing repairs and mechanical systems such as building HVAC
- Safety and security improvements such as replacement and installation of digital security cameras, new building electronic card reader access and security improvements to building front entrances
- Renovations and upgrades to buildings and school specials programs as outlined by school Design Advisory Groups
- Playground replacement and improvement projects

► For more details on this work, please visit www.adams12.org/BondSummer2021.



MASK UP & MOVE FORWARD | COVID-19 OPERATIONS

COVID-19 details can change quickly. Below are general guidelines for city services, facilities and programs.

City Hall, Maintenance & Operations Building and Municipal Court are closed to the public to reduce COVID-19 risk. In-person meetings are not available for those facilities. However, staff can be reached by email or phone. **Note:** The city’s police, water and wastewater, and trash and recycling services are all operating as normal.

CITY HALL

No In-Person Contact; All Departments Open
Go to the phone directory on Page 3 or call 303.451.8326 to reach divisions, departments or services in City Hall. Other options and details are below.

- **Bidding**
 - Bid documents are available at www.northglenn.org/bidding.
- **Building**
 - Permits can now be pulled online at www.northglenn.org/buildingpermit.
- **Boards and Commissions**
 - All meetings are virtual. Go to www.northglenn.org/webdocs for links.
- **Code Enforcement (Neighborhood Services)**
 - Notices will be posted in case of a possible code infraction; no face-to-face contact will be initiated. Contact information is provided on the notice.
- **Utility Billing**
 - Call 303.450.8770 if you are having difficulty paying your utility bill.

Not Operating

- **Passports**
 - Visit <https://travel.state.gov> for service updates and options.

JUSTICE CENTER

- **Court**
 - Trials will be held in person. All other court proceedings will be held virtually. ▶ Go to www.northglenn.org/court or call 303.450.8701 for more information.

- **Police**
 - The Police Department is operating as normal, with in-person hours between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. ▶ *In case of an emergency or a crime in progress, call 911. For all other incidents, call 303.288.1535.*
 - Prescription delivery is available to residents 65 or older or who can't pick up or have their order delivered. ▶ Call 303.450.8893 or go to www.northglenn.org/prescription for help.

MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS FACILITY (PUBLIC WORKS)

- **Right of Way Permits**
 - Visit www.northglenn.org/row for forms.
- **Trash and Recycling**
 - Carts are being picked up as normal. Please have them out to the curb by 7 a.m. on collection day.

RECREATION

- **All recreation programs require pre-registration.** Sign-up is available at www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn.
- Offerings may change. For updates, call the recreation center at 303.450.8800 or senior center at 303.450.8801, or go to www.northglenn.org/recguide.

Open

- **Parks and trails**

Limited

- **Northglenn Recreation Center**
 - The center is open from 5:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

- **Aquatics**
 - The rec center is hosting lap swim, small group fitness classes and small swim team practices.
 - Private swim lessons are available on Saturdays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.
 - Go to www.northglenn.org/aquatics for the most up-to-date schedule.
- **Fitness**
 - The rec center cardio/weight room is open by appointment only.
 - Small in-person group classes and virtual classes are available.
 - Personal training costs are reduced to the drop-in fee to accommodate those not comfortable in a group.
- **Arts and Culture**
 - Programs are available. ▶ Go to www.northglennarts.org or see Page 8 for more details.
- **Preschool**
 - Limited spaces are open for youth ages 3 to 5. ▶ Go to www.northglenn.org/preschool for details.
- **Seniors**
 - The Northglenn Senior Center is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays for one-on-one appointments only. ▶ Call 303.450.8801 or email kfisher@northglenn.org to reserve a time.
 - Videos and virtual activities are available at www.northglenn.org/seniors. ▶ See more on Page 8.
- **Sports**
 - Adult and youth basketball leagues and karate classes are now operating.

COVID BRIEFS

The following information is as of March 25, and city staff expects more actions to be taken this month on a state and county level.

Dial 3.0 in Effect

The State of Colorado has moved to COVID-19 Dial 3.0, which is more simplified and less restrictive for state businesses. To view the new regulations, go to <https://covid19.colorado.gov>.

Dial 3.0 will likely remain in effect until mid-April. At that time, the local public health agency will have greater control. For Northglenn, that is the Tri-County Health Department.

Face Masks Still Required

Tri-County Health Department's (TCHD) mask-wearing public order is still in effect until further notice. Residents are urged to wear face masks and maintain a 6-foot distance as much as possible around people not from their household. For more from TCHD, go to www.tchd.org/covid19.

Vaccine Eligibility Expanded

The following Coloradans are now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine:

- People ages 50 and over
- People with high-risk conditions
- People in specific professions including, but not limited to, emergency, medical, government and education

This list will likely expand in mid-April.

For a complete eligibility list or for updates, go to www.tchd.org/covidvaccine.

Find Vaccine Sites

If you are eligible for a vaccine (see brief, above), visit www.tchd.org/covidvaccine to find local providers. If you need help scheduling an appointment, call 303.220.9200, press option 2 then option 1. **You must set an appointment with the vaccine provider FIRST. No walk-ins are accepted.**

Testing Sites in Area

Go to www.northglenn.org/covid19testsites, which takes you to the Tri-County Health Department's site and a list of test locations. Please check the website for details before going to the testing site. Times and days vary, and some places require pre-registration. Northglenn has one testing location:

- **FREE:** Crossroads Church, 10451 Huron St., Wednesdays 7 to 11 a.m. You must pre-register by calling 720.419.1087 or go to <https://covidcheckcolorado.org>.

CODE CORNER: PLUG SAFETY



Just because you can fit another plug into that outlet or power strip, that doesn't mean you should. Recently Northglenn has had several house fires, mostly due to electrical malfunctions. For the safety of everyone in your home, please follow these tips:

- Don't overload outlets or powerstrips.
- Never force a three-prong cord into a

two-slot outlet.

- Install tamper-resistant electrical outlets if you have young children.
- Replace wall outlets if plugs do not fit snugly.
- Keep animals from chewing on cords.
- Avoid putting cords where they can be damaged or pinched, such as

under carpets, rugs or furniture.

- Replace worn, old or damaged extension cords promptly.
- Information courtesy FEMA
- ▶ *SAFEBuilt provides building division services for Northglenn. For more information about obtaining a building permit in the City of Northglenn, go to www.northglenn.org/building.*

Start By Believing

▶ Take the Pledge to Treat Sexual Assault Victims With More Consideration and Care



April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and the Police Department and city have taken steps to spread the word!

In 2018, the Police Department joined the “Start by Believing” campaign, which encourages everyone to treat sexual assault victims with more consideration and care.

The global campaign began in 2011 by End Violence Against Women

International. They found that many victims of sexual assault never talk about or report the crime. When they do, the victims face doubt and blame, rather than compassion and support. This often prevents the victim from seeking help through the justice system.

You can help by making a pledge to “Start by Believing.” Just go to www.northglenn.org/believe and fill out the electronic form.

REMOVE VALUABLES

TAKE YOUR KEYS

LOCK YOUR CAR

A little crime prevention goes a long way!

Suspicious Activity? Call 911.

TRAFFIC STATS

February 2021 traffic statistics compiled by Northglenn Police:

- Tickets: 204
- Accidents: 66

COVID-19 BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

County Certification Eases Restrictions

As part of its COVID-19 emergency response and recovery strategy, Adams County is helping spur economic activity for businesses that have been limited due to COVID-19 restrictions through the launch of the Maintain & Sustain Adams – 5 Star Certification Program.

This program allows businesses that provide a safety plan and establish more stringent safety protocols additional flexibility to operate under the state’s dial

system. While all businesses are eligible, the pilot program initially prioritized restaurants, gym/recreation centers, and indoor event space applicants.

Certified businesses will be allowed to operate with indoor capacity limits one level less restrictive on the COVID dial than where the county is currently operating. Right now,



certified businesses can operate at Level Blue even though Adams County is actually in Level Yellow. For information on level capacity restrictions, go to <https://bit.ly/3tQYYIX>.

“We’ve come up with an easy, centralized process to accept and approve applications and monitor business compliance,” said County Manager Raymond Gonzales. “So many businesses are eager to participate and this

is a way they can safely start to get back to normal.”

For more information or to apply for the 5 Star Certification, go to <https://bit.ly/3bWNTzV>.

Northglenn has 12 5 Star businesses certified. To see all the certified businesses in the county, go to <https://bit.ly/3bYCgZa>.

Please note the 5 Star Certification process gives

certain businesses additional flexibility and more capacity due to their participation in the program and extra safety protocols but is not implying that non-certified businesses are unsafe in any way.

All businesses following CDPHE and TCHD regulations and guidance should be seen as safe.

— Information courtesy Adams County

BACK ON THE MENU

Cinzetti's Italian Market held its re-opening ceremony on March 23 after being closed for the past year due to COVID-19. This Italian restaurant is located at 281 W. 104th Ave. and will be open on Monday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday with special hours. For more information or to make a reservation, call 303.451.7300 or go to www.cinzettis.com/colorado.



Evolution of Awards

Coworking Biz Co-Owner Earns Regional Honor

Alignable, an online referral network for small businesses, announced the results of its search for local business leaders who've gone above and beyond to help peers during the COVID crisis. Nearly 3,000 business owners emerged as the 2021 Local Business Person of the Year in their local communities, including Diane Mapes, co-owner of Northglenn’s Office Evolution.



They awarded Mapes as Denver’s 2021 Local Business Person of the Year based on her contributions to her business community and network throughout the COVID era.

More than 25,000 recommendations were submitted to Alignable and its members cast their votes for their top choice from Jan. 6 through Feb. 5.

Diane Mapes and her husband, Dennis, opened Office Evolution Metro North – Northglenn in June 2020. They provide office and co-working space at 11190 Grant St. Since its opening, they have helped over 32 small businesses and entrepreneurs find private offices to conduct their businesses.

Diane has over 30 years of marketing experience and enjoys facilitating the networking and connections between their members. She loves watching the businesses grow and thrive in the positive and supportive environment.

The business center has 44 fully furnished private offices, ranging from small offices to 4-to-5 team member offices, a 12-seat conference room, a five-seat conference room, flexible day offices and a generous co-working shared workspace. For more about Office Evolution, call 720.774.6865.

— Information courtesy Alignable

NURA GRANTS

The Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority awards matching grants for up to \$12,500 through its Business Improvement Grant (BIG) and Business Utility Assistance Grant (BUAG) programs.

BIGs are for exterior improvements that are visible from the public right of way, while BUAGs are for utility upgrades.

► For more information on the program, go to www.northglenn.org/grants.

Here are five recent recipients:

- 5280 Reptile Room**, 11944 Washington St., received a BIG award for \$2,959. The funds will help cover the cost for outdoor business signage. For more about this reptile pet store, call 720.328.5074.
- Fit Theorem**, 100 E. 120th Ave., Unit F-160, received a BIG award for \$3,977. The funds will help cover the cost for new outdoor business signage due to the business' name change. This fitness center offers workouts, coaching, and nutrition. For more details, call 303.835.0505 or go to www.fittheorem.com/northglenn.
- Key Nail Supply**, 10663 Melody Drive, #B9, received a BIG award for \$2,417. The funds will help cover the cost for outdoor business signage. For more information about this retail nail supply store, call 303.379.9631.
- New Era Jiu Jitsu**, 524 Malley Drive, received a BIG award for \$2,558. The funds will help cover the cost for outdoor business signage. For more information about this martial arts school, call 303.955.7302 or go to www.nejiujitsu.com.
- Purple Moon Early Learning Center**, 650 Kennedy Drive, received a BIG award for \$12,500. The funds will help cover the cost for parking lot repairs and improvements. For more information about this child care business, call 303.482.2383 or go to www.purplemoonelc.com.

BUSINESS ANNIVERSARIES: 1ST QUARTER OF 2021

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

20 Years

- BJ's Fine Arts and Crafts*
- Boondocks Fun Center
- Felm Drywall & Hardwood Floors*
- Santiago's Express
- Scott Reno Insurance Services

15 Years

- Compass USA
- Nationwide Fabrication
- The Glenn Bar & Grill

10 Years

- @ Cheers
- Action Printing
- Brilliant Cleaning Services*
- Diesel Day Dreams
- Global Flex Marketing*
- Pho 104
- Regal Ribbons and Wreaths*
- Uptown Medical Aesthetics
- Wells Fargo Advisors

5 Years

- Bayshore Enterprises

- Adam Bird State Farm Insurance Agent
- Challenger Sports
- Colorado Psychiatry Center
- Colorful Creations by Adri*
- Egan Sales Company
- Finan Insurance Agency
- Hull & Zimmerman
- Infinity Solutions
- Inman Interwest
- Leonard's Express
- Life Recovery Center

- Luevano Maintenance*
- McCabe Service Group
- Physical Rehabilitation Specialist
- Rocky Mountain Kid Therapy
- Sanmina
- SOSKLEEN*
- Thrivent Financial
- Whittaker and Associates Insurance Agency

* – Denotes home-based business



SNOW HELPS THE DROUGHT, BUT...

Northglenn's trees, shrubs and grass will certainly enjoy the 22.5-inch snowstorm that hit in mid-March.

But as for the ongoing drought conditions, the snow will help, but not solve the problem. A more definitive answer will be available sometime this month.

At the end of February, the total amount of water in Standley Lake Reservoir was only 4,327 acre feet. That's down 28% from the average for this time of year. Standley Lake holds Northglenn's drinking water.

Residents should still anticipate drought conditions to continue for the foreseeable future. Conserving now could make a big difference later on.

Hopefully, the snow will delay the start of sprinkler season, which is a huge consumer of water for the city.

► **Tips and programs to reduce water use are available at www.northglenn.org/conservation or www.northglenn.org/rebate.**

► **To see the current drought conditions in the state, visit www.drought.gov/drought/states/colorado.**

Recycle Bins Moved

► **Sole Location at M&O Only Open to City Residents**

► **Will Help Ensure Items Dropped Off Are Recycled**

The city's public recycle bins have been moved to the Maintenance & Operations Facility (M&O), 12301 Claude Court. Recyclables will be accepted from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays and also every Saturday of the month through November. Now, ONLY Northglenn residents will be allowed to use them.

Due to misuse, in March the city shut down the recycling drop-off spots at Jaycee Park and Northwest Open Space.

Unfortunately, some of the items dropped off at the old sites were not recyclable. This forced staff to take them to the landfill instead of the recycling plant. At M&O, staff will monitor the station to make sure appropriate items are being dropped off so they are recycled as intended.

Another option for residents who have trash service from the city is curbside recycling for no extra cost. Call 303.450.4004 for more information.

Electronics Recycling Event in April

Sat., April 24, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Thornton Infrastructure Maintenance Center, 12450 Washington St., Thornton

The cost is as follows:

- \$15 per vehicle for all electronics, including up to one television or computer monitor
- \$25 for each vehicle carrying up to three televisions and/or computer monitors (No more than three televisions/monitors will be taken.)

Adams County residents can dispose of their electronic waste, such as old computers, tablets, cell phones and more. The recycling process is safe and responsible, ensuring a high level of data destruction.

You must register and reserve a time for drop-off for this event by going to <http://bit.ly/E-WasteApril2021>.

You can pay with cash or credit card. Monitors and televisions with exposed tubes, appliances with Freon and chemicals are not accepted.

Please remember that throw-

ing electronics in the trash is not allowed in Colorado.

For more details on the event, contact Thornton's Environmental Services at 720.977.6200.

For information about certain electronics and data destruction, please contact Techno Rescue at 303.482.2207.

Mulching Center Open Every Saturday

► **City Trash Customers Can Drop Off Items; Free Mulch Available to All**

Don't take up all the space in your trash cart with leaves and tree branches. Instead, bring them to the city's Yard Waste Mulching Center.

Located at the south end of the Maintenance & Operations Facility, 12301 Claude Court, just go through the gate as you enter the parking lot.

Hours have returned to its warm-weather schedule – 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Saturday from April through November.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, residents must wear masks, stay 6 feet away from staff and other visitors outside their group and unload their own vehicles.

Only Northglenn residents who have curbside trash pickup can use this service. Please bring proof of residency, such as a driver's license or utility bill with a photo ID. The city accepts most yard waste except for dirt, sod or gravel. The city does not provide tools to use, so bring shovels if necessary.

The yard waste is chipped into mulch that anyone can have, including residents, non-residents and businesses.

Questions? Call 303.450.4004 or go to www.northglenn.org/yardwaste.

Wildlife Here to Stay

► **City Does Not Handle Wild Animals in Yards**

As Northglenn residents, we are lucky to enjoy many parks and open spaces. Know who else is lucky? Wildlife like raccoons, rabbits, foxes and rodents – just to name a few.

Though most of us enjoy watching the wildlife that grace our area, when critters invade our yards and homes it's not quite as fun. Reports of foxes, especially near open space areas and the Karl's Farm construction, have increased this year.

The city's Animal Control

Division does not trap or remove wild animals on private property; that is the responsibility of the property owner/resident. If residents need assistance with wildlife on their property, it needs to be handled by a private company familiar with state wildlife laws.

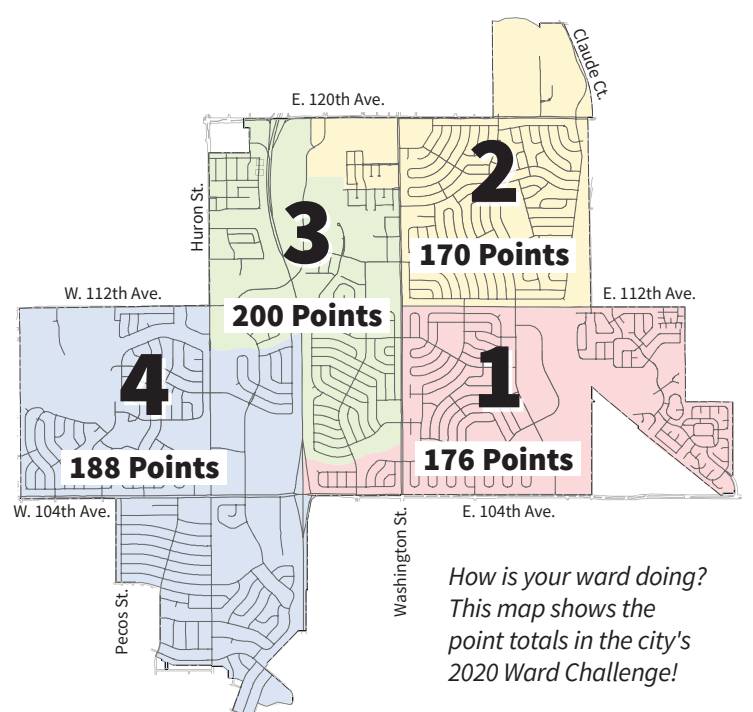
However, there are several websites that may help residents discourage wildlife presence on residential property:

- Adams County Colorado State University Extension: <https://bit.ly/3lFTVH>

- Colorado Parks and Wildlife: <https://bit.ly/3lETr5m>

Two ways to discourage wildlife from becoming unwanted guests include removing food sources (like trash or dog food), and closing up holes around and under the foundation of your home so animals will not be tempted to move in.

Keep a close eye on pets, too. In general, foxes are reclusive – but they are predators. Small pets could be at risk.



UP FOR THE CHALLENGE?

Halfway through, Ward 3 is leading the 2020 Ward Challenge!

With Xcel Energy's Partners in Energy, residents can earn points for their ward by participating in various qualifying energy-saving programs. These include home energy audits, heating and cooling rebates, and more.

The competition started on July 1, 2020, and runs through June 30, 2021. Statistics are through the end of 2020. The winning ward will receive a celebratory event with food, giveaways and raffle prizes!

For more information, go to www.northglenn.org/saveenergy.

► **Free landfill day for Northglenn residents is May 15, so start collecting all those items that are too large to fit in your trash cart. Call 303.450.4004 or go to www.northglenn.org/freelandfillday for more information and regulations.**

COMMUNITY LISTENING SESSION

Wed., April 7, 5:30 p.m.

What issues do you see concerning diversity, equity and inclusion in our community?

The city's Diversity, Inclusivity and Social Equity Board invites you to join in on this listening session. Participate by going to www.northglenn.org/listeningession or calling 1.346.248.7799 and using meeting ID 959 2876 0187.

The discussion will be facilitated by the Equity Project, which exists to provide comprehensive tools for entities, including local governments, to explore equity in effective and transformative ways.

For more information, please contact Rupa Venkatesh at 720.376.8069 or rvenkatesh@northglenn.org.



SENIOR CENTER VIRTUAL ACTIVITIES

Birthday Party

Fri., April 9, 1 p.m., www.northglenn.org/seniorbirthday



Just because we can't meet in person doesn't mean we can't celebrate your birthday!

The Northglenn Senior Center is bringing back monthly birthday parties – even if they are virtual for the time being.

Entertainment, community and a resounding rendition of “Happy Birthday to You” will be included – all for free. However, you have to come up with the cake, candles and party hat.

The plan is to continue these virtual birthday parties at 1 p.m. on the second Friday of the month until we can all meet together again.

For more information, call 303.450.8801 or email seniorcenter@northglenn.org. Sponsored by the Northglenn Senior Organization.

Spellbinders Oral Storytellers Event

Wed., April 21, 1:30 p.m., www.northglenn.org/spellbinders

Enjoy the powerful art of storytelling through this online event! Three storytellers will take turns presenting.

Senior Artwise Class

Thurs., April 22, 1 p.m., online

Travel to the depths of the ocean and paint a stunning dolphin silhouette amidst a cloud of shining fish with live step-by-step online instruction from Senior Center staff. Painting supplies will be delivered prior to April 22. Cost is \$10. Please RSVP by April 16. For more details or to register, call 303.450.8801 or go to www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn. **RECTRAC CODE: 10532001**

► Events are for people ages 55 and over. Videos and other virtual activities are available at www.northglenn.org/seniors.

WARD 1 VIRTUAL MEETING

Residents using the internet can ask questions over chat; those calling in may email council members directly. *Bring your questions and comments about the city!*

Thurs. April 15 • 6-7 p.m.

Log In Information:

- Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: www.northglenn.org/ward1apr21
- Phone: 720.961.5043
- Meeting ID: 145 829 9787

WARD 1 COUNCIL MEMBERS



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Discussion Topics Include:

- City Programming During COVID-19
- Homelessness Issues



SEEKING NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFICATION VOLUNTEERS

Help recognize some of your neighbors who go the extra yard to maintain their yard! This year the Northglenn Neighborhood Beautification Program will give special attention to water-wise landscaping. Volunteers to judge in the Wyco Park area and near Northglenn High School are needed.

For more details on either of these opportunities, please contact Jenni Murphy at 303.450.8904 or jmurphy@northglenn.org.



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Northglenn Arts

Virtual classes and in-person options at the D.L. Parsons Theatre
Inside the Northglenn Recreation Center | 11801 Community Center Drive, Northglenn



In-Person Tickets* Adult \$10 / Youth, Senior & Military \$8 **Live Stream Tickets** \$20
*Masks will be required. Seating is limited to 50 participants per showing.



for more information, visit northglennarts.org or call 303.450.8846



Sleeping Beauty | May 17 - 22
Limited participation
Pre-registration required by May 14



Personal Coaching via Zoom
Choose combo packs in a variety of disciplines. Grow at your own pace, in your own space and at a time that works for you!

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