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## What's the Plan for your Zone?

The Zoning Code Task Force, the City of Denver Community Planning and Development department, and the Citizen Advisory Group are working together to update and revamp our zoning regulations.

This month they will be hosting a series of community public meetings. The purpose of the meetings is to:

- Report on the Zoning Code Task Force Committee's progress to date
- Present proposed new zoning approach to protecting established neighborhood character in Denver's areas of stability
- Present an overview of the revised Zoning Code's structure and content, highlighting proposed major changes and revisions.

### **Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**

4:30pm- 6:00pm  
Colorado Convention Center (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)  
700 14<sup>th</sup> St.

### **Thursday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

6:30pm- 8:00pm  
Lincoln High School  
2285 S. Federal Blvd.

### **Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**

6:30pm- 8:00pm  
**South High School**  
1700 E. Louisiana Ave.

### **Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>**

6:30pm- 8:00pm  
Lake Middle School  
1820 Lowell Blvd.

### **Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup>**

6:30pm- 8:00pm  
William Roberts School  
2100 Akron Way

For more information please visit: [www.denvergov.org/ZoningSimplification](http://www.denvergov.org/ZoningSimplification)



# National Night Out

LEARN MORE ABOUT NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



**Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>  
4:00- 8:30pm  
Cook Park**

Join the Leetsdale Cop Shop and various neighborhood organizations to celebrate the National Night Out annual event. NNO is designed to strengthen neighborhood spirit and police –community partnerships, heighten crime and drug prevention, generate support for and participate in local anti-crime efforts, and send a message to criminals, letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

The Denver Police Office of Public Safety, Denver Fire Department, and other organizations will offer a wide scope of personal safety and crime prevention information for adults and children. Neighborhood organizations will also be participating. There will be a free concert by the Denver Municipal Jazz Band, starting at 7:30pm. For more information, please contact Beth Trudgeon at 303-756-3402.

## Sex-Offender Handbill Alert

Consumer advocates and law enforcement officials in the Denver metro area are warning residents to be wary of fliers appearing on front doors that announce the recent arrival of sex offenders to the neighborhood. These flyers encourage people to get more information by going to a specific website. The website offers to provide users—for a small monthly fee—information on sex offenders in their neighborhood. It also is a means for the company to get your name, address, and e-mail address.

The Denver Police Department has informed us that information regarding sex-offenders is available for FREE. There are several sources that provide this information:

**Denver Police:** [www.denvergov.org/police](http://www.denvergov.org/police). Scroll to the sex offender registry.

**Colorado Bureau of Investigation:** [www.sor.state.co.us](http://www.sor.state.co.us). Enter the security code at the bottom of the page and scroll down to your city. Click on “search for offenders”

**Federal Department of Justice:** [www.nsopr.gov](http://www.nsopr.gov). Click the “I agree” button, enter the town or zip code.

You should not pay money for information that is free and never provide credit-card information to any website unless you are sure it is legitimate.

## Creative Space Survey

**Are you a Musician? Sculptor? Writer? Dancer? Painter? Arts Organization or Creative Business?** If you are a member of our creative community, we want to hear from you!

The **Denver Office of Cultural Affairs** and the **SCFD Denver County Cultural Council** have partnered with Artspace Projects, Inc. to study the space needs of the creative community in the seven-county Denver metro area. This study will assist in the potential future development of affordable space where artists may live and work, and where arts organizations and creative businesses may thrive.

The online survey takes about 10 minutes to complete: [www.artspacedenver.org](http://www.artspacedenver.org)

If you have questions or are unable to access the internet, please contact Ezra at 612.333.9012 x0. For more information about Artspace visit [www.artspaceusa.org](http://www.artspaceusa.org).

**Survey online July 25 - September 18**

***Don't miss your chance to be heard!***

## Help Change the World with Cents



The students at Herzl RMHA school are asking for your help. **“Change the World it Just Takes Cents”**™ began as a grade 8 service learning class initiative for a group of Herzl RMHA students led by teacher, Sara Kornfeld. The ultimate goal is to provide a deeper knowledge and understanding of world affairs, humanitarian causes, the philanthropy process, and at this particular time in world history, the desperate need to aide and support the people of Darfur being traumatized by the genocide taking place in Sudan.

The students embarked on an intensive learning experience which has evolved into a recognized and acknowledged community-wide awareness and fundraising effort to support ongoing education for the children trapped in the Abu Shok refugee camp, and in particular, to **help rebuild the D-Kaire school in Korma, Darfur**. Their goal is to raise \$18,000 by September 30, 2007.

You can help support these young people’s effort through a tax-deductible financial contribution, no matter how large or small, cents or dollars, and help them ensure that the children of Darfur receive ongoing education in order to become productive members of their changing society. 100% of funds raised will be distributed through official humanitarian sources.

**Contributions can be made to:** DCJE – “Change the World–It just Takes Cents”  
**Write on memo line of check:** Darfur Donation  
**Mail To:** “Change the World–It just Takes Cents”  
Herzl RMHA Upper School - Attn: Sara Kornfeld  
2450 S. Wabash Street; Denver, CO; 80231

## Registered Neighborhood Organization Information

Denver’s Community Planning and Development (DCPD) department will begin to circulate notices of rezoning applications via e-mail to Registered Neighborhood Organizations (RNO). As neighborhoods have experienced with e-mail notices now circulated by the Board of Adjustment for Zoning Appeals, electronic information is easy for residents to forward to others for comment while avoiding the photocopy expense, postage, and delay of printed notifications.

Notices of rezoning applications will be circulated to RNO’s via e-mail starting on August 1st. **We will continue to provide printed notice of rezoning applications for those Registered Neighborhood Organizations that prefer it.** It is especially important for RNOs to maintain a correct e-mail address and contact person with the DCPD office. Changes should be forwarded directly to [Julius.Zsako@DenverGov.Org](mailto:Julius.Zsako@DenverGov.Org).

Future rezoning applications will be published on [www.DenverGov.Org/Rezoning](http://www.DenverGov.Org/Rezoning) starting on August 1st. In the event an application is received for a property that is located within 200 feet of a RNO’s boundary, Joel Pousson of the staff will notify the RNO contact person by e-mail fifteen days in advance of the scheduled Planning Board meeting at which the application is to be discussed.

# Fraud Alert!

A message from the office of Denver District Attorney, Mitch Morrissey:

## Don't Make Investments Based on Faith or Trust

Home Equity and Mortgage frauds that take advantage of a person's religious affiliation or trusting relationship continue to rise. Just because an individual is a member of the clergy, a member of your congregation, or a long time acquaintance, doesn't mean you should trust them with your money, home, or good credit. Scam Artists know that we give our money or take advantage of investment opportunities only with people we trust. Therefore, they will establish a trusting relationship with us – or take advantage of an existing one – before they try to scam us.

### **Don't!**

- ✓ Make investments with your clergy, pastor, or deacons based upon faith and trust
- ✓ Agree to use your good credit to make investments in which other people are in control
- ✓ Deed your property to anyone without a 3<sup>rd</sup> party consult
- ✓ Sign any documents you haven't read COMPLETELY or any document that has blank spaces to be filled in after you sign

### **DO!**

- ✓ Ask questions
- ✓ Consult a 3<sup>rd</sup> party
- ✓ Read all items carefully
- ✓ Your homework on the "company" especially if you are investing with a person you know who says they are working on behalf of a company

Need help or have questions? Call Denver DA Fraud Line at 720-913-9179

## August Calendar of Events

### **Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield FREE DAY**

**Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>.** 8500 Deer Creek Canyon Rd, Littleton. For information call 303-973-3705.

### **Denver Municipal Band Concert**

**Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>** starting at **7:30pm**. FREE. Southmoor Park (Hampden Ave. & S. Oneida)

### **Health Fair**

**Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup>** from **8:00am- 3:00pm**. FREE. Kaiser Permanente Skyline Medical Offices (1375 E. 20<sup>th</sup> Ave.)

### **National Night Out**

**Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>** from **4:00- 8:30pm**. FREE. Cook Park (east of Monaco btw Mexico and Cherry Creek Dr.)

## Denver Municipal Band Concert

Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:30pm. FREE. Cook Park (S. Monaco & Cherry Creek Dr. S.)

## Festival of the Arts

Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am- 9:00pm. City Park Pavilions (17<sup>th</sup> Ave. & Esplanade)

## Denver Botanic Gardens FREE DAY

Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. 1005 York St., Denver. For information call 720-865-3500

## Zip-A-De-Do at the Zoo

Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm – 9:30pm. Enjoy special activities and refreshments in support of Denver Zoo's special Red Apple Scholarship Fund. To purchase tickets or for more information, please call 303-376-4860 or visit [www.denverzoo.org](http://www.denverzoo.org)

## A Taste of Colorado

Friday, August 31<sup>st</sup> to Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Friday: 11:30am- 10:00pm. Saturday/Sunday: 10:30am- 10:00pm. Monday: 10:30am- 8:00pm. Civic Center Park (Colfax & Broadway). [www.atasteofcolorado.com](http://www.atasteofcolorado.com)

## A New Neighborhood Business

We would like to welcome **Sport Clips** to the neighborhood. Sport Clips is located at I-25 & Hampden Ave in the **District at Southmoor Station**. Local owners, Steve and Susan Thayer, provide a unique environment for men and boys to have a haircut amid sports television programming. They are regularly open Monday thru Friday from 9am - 8pm, Saturdays 9am - 6pm, and Sundays 10am - 5pm. Sport Clips serves its clients on a walk-in basis.

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*Contact my office:*