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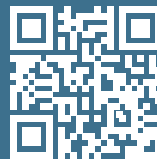
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A MESSAGE FROM THE CITY MANAGER



NURIA RIVERA-VANDERMYDE
CITY MANAGER

On May 10, I observed my first-year anniversary as city manager. Much has happened since I arrived. This time last year, the city was still healing from a horrific tragedy at King Soopers. Little did we know that we'd face additional tragedy and trauma in the coming months as apartment fires and wildfire events impacted us and surrounding communities. We yo-yoed back and forth with masks as the pandemic continued to grow and recede across the state, and as a city government, anxiously prepared for a new hybrid workplace where new schedules, new technology and for some, new workspaces, became a key focus.

While the pandemic has limited some of my ability to engage with the wonderful Boulder community, I have enjoyed the privilege of meeting many of you around town and online. You have made me and my family feel supremely welcome, and I have been struck by the generosity, the resilient spirit and the commitment to innovation that make this city so special.



I offer a heartfelt thank you.

Some of my greatest personal and all professional satisfaction comes from serving others. I consider it an honor to lead in a community, like Boulder, that is blessed with so many leaders, both those who draw upon their lived experiences to share their wisdom and make a difference, and those who leverage years of education and technical expertise to address many of the most vexing issues of our time.

Chief among these leaders are the colleagues I have the privilege of working alongside every day.

Some city staff members are recognized frequently by you, as community. These include:

First responders, including dispatchers, who pick up the call for help and jump into danger to protect us all - whether the threat comes from a human or from a natural disaster;

My co-workers who maintain the many trails, parks, recreation centers and libraries that community users hold dear;

My Housing and Human Services colleagues, who implement life-changing programs that strive to address the pressing needs of our most vulnerable residents;

And with a community as invested in development and planning as ours is in Boulder, the many professionals in Planning and Development Services who find themselves doing their work in front of City Council and in the public eye on a regular basis.

I want you to know that the appreciation you show these public servants matters – and often lifts them when conditions become more challenging.

But there are many roles we play in the city that may be less visible to you. In the past year, I have marveled at the dedication that goes into keeping our facilities clean, functioning and accessible to all. I've cheered for colleagues who think through our infrastructure and utilities systems so that our roads and our water are safe. I've experienced the warmest of gratitude for our administrative and customer service staff, who shape your encounters with your local government more than I ever could. I also have sought to raise both organizational and community awareness about the importance of the work our internal service departments do to ensure we model fiscal stewardship and good governance in all ways.

I am particularly proud this year of our efforts to be inclusive and honor Boulder's many voices, as embodied in the council-approved Racial Equity Plan. While work remains, there has been some noteworthy progress. The collaboration with tribal leaders to rename what is now the *People's Crossing* and thoughtful efforts to ensure that historically marginalized communities are welcome in our spaces and decision-making are prime examples.

As I look to my second year, I pledge to continue to center equity, cultivate honest conversations, and effectively manage the many programs, services and workplans that support our community goals and priorities. I am excited to partner with you and welcome your input by email.

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The impact of community court

What is Community Court?

Community courts hold participants accountable while connecting them to social services to help address root causes of crime. Boulder's community court takes an individual and trauma-informed approach rather than the traditional punitive approach typically seen in criminal justice.

What are the goals of community court?

- Address underlying causes of homelessness instead of cycling people between the streets and jail.
- Collaborate with agencies and service providers to access services, preferably in a central location.
- Give people with lived experience a voice in designing the program and resolving cases.

What types of cases are seen in community court?

- Camping violations
- Tent violations
- Trespassing
- Alcohol in public
- Marijuana in public
- Smoking where prohibited
- Littering and urinating in public

These cases most often occur among the unhoused. Serious violations are never addressed in community court.

How do you measure outcomes?

By the number of people we help. The majority of people in this court are experiencing homelessness. The root cause of camping, trespassing and similar tickets are a lack of place to call home. By helping people move toward long-term solutions, we get them out of the criminal justice system and thus increase community livability.



What does success look like for an offender and for the greater community?

In the criminal justice system, the temptation is to look at recidivism to measure success. We instead look at what court participants accomplish, such as obtaining substance-use treatment, acquiring a photo ID and Social Security card, or other steps toward housing and self-sufficiency.

Citations often serve as an opportunity for engagement. Sanctions are aimed at resolving a person's unhoused status and tailored to individual needs. Sometimes the person just needs help replacing a state identification card, or something more complex like getting ready for housing. Often, their actions result in dismissal of the charge(s).

The community court model is working. From Oct. 1, 2020 to Dec. 31, 2021, 144 people with 504 cases were seen in community court. Over 525 tasks or sanctions were ordered, and over 86% percent (454) were completed. In some cases, assignments are completed at court. **But** prior to community court, sanctions such as community service were completed less than 10% of the time and often landed individuals in jail, which did not address the root cause of the crime. For the unhoused community, success means the criminal and human services systems are seamlessly

working together. When we can address the underlying issues causing homelessness, we will have a safer community.

How has COVID-19 impacted community court?

It started as a mobile court, which was a blessing: Mobile court reaches people where they are. Partner agencies were less available during COVID-19 and usually only virtually, but ordering medical records, Social Security cards and identification cards could be done electronically rather than in person.

To watch a video about community court, please visit: vimeo.com/566290678

Election preview: climate tax proposal

Boulder taxpayers have supported the city's climate work for decades, contributing about \$4 million annually to climate and sustainability programs. Early next year, a portion of this funding is set to expire, creating a gap in funding.

To close this gap, the city is proposing the creation of a new climate tax. As designed, the new climate tax would raise approximately \$5 million per year to fund climate and resilience efforts. If approved by council, the climate tax would require voter approval in the November election.

By creating a new climate tax, the city can simplify climate investments, tackle high-impact projects, better align with the scale of investment necessary and address inequities created by the current tax.

Tax Proposal Details

Note: Details subject to City Council changes.

- New climate tax to be collected 2023 to 2040
- Replace existing taxes that fund climate work
- Continue to collect tax through Xcel Energy utility bills you already pay
- Raise revenues by approximately 25% to \$5 million per year
- Change rates for customer classes

Proposed Changes to Average Annual Costs, By Customer Type

CUSTOMER	CURRENT RATE	PROPOSED RATE
Residential	\$42.95	\$38.20
Commercial	\$241.29	\$374.90
Industrial	\$704.83	\$1,389.89

What would it fund?

- Direct cash assistance to homeowners, landlords and businesses to fund energy efficiency upgrades
- Projects such as microgrids and energy storage to support resilience and renewable energy development
- Residential and commercial building electrification
- Expansion of city transportation electrification projects and city-owned electric vehicle charging stations
- Regulation and building codes
- Policy and regulatory reform
- Partnership and international collaboration

Next Steps

Get involved! Let the city know what you think of the proposal. Later this summer, City Council will determine whether to place the proposed tax on the ballot.

For more information on the tax and how to share your feedback visit: bouldercolorado.gov/projects/funding-city-climate-work



OUR CONNECTED WORLD
Experiences for all ages

June 1 – July 31

boulderlibrary.org/summer

NEW IN 2022: Complete the challenge and choose from a pass for one free entry to a Parks & Recreation facility or a ticket to Gateway Park Fun Center.



Lifelong Boulder

Colorado is the second fastest-aging state in the nation and our state demography office projects that Coloradans aged 60+ will outnumber those aged 18 and younger as soon as 2023. “Now is not the time to balk at this emerging reality, but it is a time to plan, prepare, and invest in our communities, so that quality of life is retained across the entire lifespan,” shared Colorado Governor Jared Polis in his opening remarks in Lifelong Colorado: Livable Communities for All Coloradans.

Lifelong Boulder is part of a statewide initiative called Lifelong Colorado, which aims to ensure all Coloradans will be able to live and fully participate in their communities for as long as possible. A community that is well adapted for aging is one where all individuals can thrive. Age-friendly communities foster economic growth and make for happier, healthier community members.

In 2020, the city’s Housing and Human Services Department put together recommendations to ensure Boulder can truly be an age-friendly community.

These recommendations, which will guide the city’s work for years to come, cover four areas:

- **Mobility and Access.** As members of our community age, they experience challenges in mobility, including driving, busing, biking and walking. These challenges need to be recognized and addressed.

- **Housing.** A variety of housing types are needed to accommodate longer lifespans in an age-friendly community. As housing needs change, suitable and affordable housing options must remain available.
- **Community Living.** Older adults experience better physical and mental health from community engagement, from volunteering to meaningful employment.
- **Support Services.** Older adults overwhelmingly want to remain in their community as they age. Services that support this desire, such as case management; information and assistance; in-home care; chore completion; affordable and accessible legal services; mental health services; and adult day care become essential to meeting this need.



Learn more about the Lifelong Boulder initiative on the city's website at: bouldercolorado.gov/guide/lifelong-boulder





City of Boulder
Parks & Recreation

Join our superhero team.

SUPERHEROES WANTED

NOW HIRING!

Year-round and seasonal part-time positions

- Pools and the Reservoir
- Summer Camps
- EXPAND (serving people with disabilities)
- Youth Services
- Parks
- Recreation Centers
- Gymnastics



Apply online at BPRjobs.org



Programs and services for older adults

Older adults age well through community connection, learning and play. We offer a variety of online and in-person activities for adults 60+, including but not limited to:

- Health and wellness programs
- Lifelong Learning classes
- Meet-up outings
- Travel opportunities
- Special interest groups
- Wellness appointments

We can also assist residents 60+ and their caregivers with referrals to community resources, support options counseling and financial support. Call 303-441-4388 to speak with a Client Services Coordinator.

Learn more about our services and view our program guide at boulderolderadultservices.com.

Working with Planning and Development Services



Whether you are new to the city, new to developing or remodeling or need a quick answer on obtaining a permit, rental or contractor license, the city's Planning and Development Services (P&DS) online resources can help.

Over the last year, P&DS has added tools and simplified user pathways on its web pages, while focusing on clarity and consistency to provide accurate, timely and predictable services.

P&DS now offers in-person appointments but will also continue its full suite of virtual services.

Customers can now more easily find answers through online tools and connect more quickly with the most knowledgeable staff for their query. For information on how to navigate our virtual services, visit: boulderplandevlop.net.

What's next for Alpine-Balsam

This year, you will begin to see implementation of the Alpine-Balsam Site Plan, leading to the deconstruction of the hospital and flood mitigation for the site. This summer, we are planning to conduct community engagement on what types of city services the community wants at Alpine-Balsam. Visit the project webpage for engagement opportunities.





Do you have a plan for the next five years of your life? Where you'll be or what you hope to accomplish? A vision board, perhaps? For Boulder's Parks and Recreation Department (BPR), we're wrapping up the 2022 Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

The plan provides strategic direction for our work for the next five years. The ingredients that have gone into the plan includes community feedback, city policy, study of recreation trends and best practices research. As we consider the community's finite resources, economic outlook, service demands, and requests for new amenities, the plan is our department's guiding document for promoting health and well-being to the entire Boulder community.

The plan is organized around six key themes. A major priority for our community and one of the key themes, "taking care of what we have," means focusing on existing facilities and amenities. For example, BPR has maintained city parks and replaced playgrounds, with over 15 projects completed in the past six years. Have you been to the new Chautauqua Park playground? That

sleepy bear statue is so cute; the treehouse play structure echoes the natural beauty of the area; and the new flatiron climbing boulder inspires kids (of all ages) to reach new heights!

We have also addressed our biggest areas of deficiency by renovating the Scott Carpenter Pool in 2020 and replacing the main building at the Boulder Reservoir.

The BPR Master Plan is scheduled to be accepted and implemented this year. Our community's input has been instrumental in creating this vision of parks and recreation in our city. You can learn all about the plan at [BPRmasterplan.org](https://www.bprmasterplan.org).



Let's build a circular economy

What is a Circular Economy?

Our current economy is based on an unsustainable cycle: we buy, use, toss and repeat. This linear economy pulls resources from our planet, pollutes human and natural communities and intensifies climate change.

Our community is working to replace this unsustainable, linear system with a circular one, a holistic rethinking of how we produce, buy, use and discard materials. A circular economy reduces our reliance on recycling and the landfill by building systems that avoid creating waste in the first place.



Reduce First

While recycling is a critical part of our journey to become a zero-waste community, it is only one piece of the puzzle.

Reducing our consumption and reusing instead of buying new are powerful ways to shrink our collective environmental impact. These actions also support a more circular economy and create less waste to divert from the landfill. Giving a new life to clothing, sports equipment, art supplies and other reusable items saves energy, natural resources and money.

Reuse also reduces our community's emissions and contributions to the landfill – helping us achieve our goals of 85% waste diversion by 2025 and carbon neutrality by 2035.

Everything we buy contains embodied emissions, the greenhouse gas emissions produced by creating and shipping goods. Embodied emissions in Boulder are greater than the total of all Boulder's other local emissions combined (electricity, transportation and natural gas).

So, even a small reduction in the number of new products we purchase can have a big impact.

Five ways to practice reuse in your daily life:

1. Borrow, share and rent items when possible. Borrow a book or movie from the library or swap clothes with a friend. Rent tools from the Tool Library at Resource Central.
2. Cut down on plastic purchases at the grocery store by shopping in the bulk section or buying products in recyclable or certified compostable packaging.



3. Shop for used clothes, shoes, furniture and other items from thrift stores, garage sales, flea markets and consignment shops.
4. Bring reusable bags whenever you shop.
5. Practice zero waste dining using Repeater's reusable containers when ordering takeout or delivery. Visit Repeater's website, [eatrepeater.com](https://www.eatrepeater.com), for more information on how to participate. Download their app to get started.

Composting is Circular

Composting is another way to participate in our circular economy. Whether in your backyard bin or in a large-scale facility, the composting process gives food scraps, greasy cardboard and yard debris a new life, turning them into a nutrient rich soil amendment that nourishes our farms and natural communities. Healthy compost also prevents soil erosion, retains water and stores carbon dioxide, the most common greenhouse gas emission. Learn how to properly sort your compost on the city's website.

Ready to go beyond curbside composting? Learn how to get involved with local composting projects (bit.ly/3jS05po) by checking out Cool Boulder, a long-term campaign to carry out natural climate solutions through community-wide partnerships. Visit coolboulder.org for more information.

Together, we can build a circular economy through collective action and systems change.



Homeownership opportunities for middle-income earners

Affordable housing is a vital component of a thriving community. Research shows that stable, affordable housing is crucial to a community's health, environment and well-being. The city is committed to maintaining diverse housing options for all people regardless of income and has a goal for 15% of all housing units to be affordable for low-, moderate- and middle-income households by 2035.

What is Middle-Income?

In the City of Boulder, middle-income refers to households earning 120% of the Area Median Income. Area Median Income, commonly referred to as "AMI," is a federal calculation based on census data. In any given location, half of households make less than 100% of Area Median Income and half make more. Income limits for renting or owning affordable housing are determined by the AMI and the number of people, including children, living in the home.

The current maximum incomes for the city's homeownership programs are displayed in the chart below:

Income Max (120% AMI)

1 Person	2 People	3 People	4 People	5 People	6 People
\$105,360	\$120,480	\$135,480	\$150,480	\$162,600	\$174,600

If you're a middle-income earner looking to buy a home in Boulder, here are a few programs to explore.

Permanently Affordable Homeownership Program

Through this program, homes are sold below market-rate prices to income-eligible buyers who intend to occupy the home. Homes targeted for middle-income households sell for around \$275,000 to \$375,000. Homes are permanently affordable and governed by an Affordability Covenant that limits the resale price, among other restrictions. While the number of homes available to middle-income buyers is limited, the city is working to increase the inventory of homes for middle-income buyers.

Down Payment Assistance

A home down payment is an incredibly large expense and saving for one can be challenging. The city offers several programs to assist with covering down payments.

- **House to Homeownership (H2O)**

This program provides a loan of up to \$100,000 for market-rate homes purchased in the City of Boulder. In support of a primary loan, this additional loan can help buyers with limited assets purchase a home. No payments are made on the loan for 15 years unless the home is sold or the title is transferred. When the loan comes due, the full amount must be paid back, along with a share of the home's appreciation. This program can be combined with the MetroDPA program.

- **MetroDPA**

This regional program provides a forgivable loan for up to 6% of the primary loan value to households earning up to \$150,000. This program is administered by the City and County of Denver, and the City of Boulder is a participating jurisdiction. This program can be combined with the Permanently Affordable Homeownership program and the H2O program.

Learn more about City of Boulder homeownership programs at bouldercolorado.gov/homeownership.

Share your feedback

We want to hear your thoughts about how we can improve the Permanently Affordable Homes program. Visit bit.ly/3ieYcBJ to fill out our short questionnaire.



JUNE 2022

WALK & BIKE MONTH



June 5

B360 Bicycle Ride Around Boulder

10am - 2pm, Valmont Bike Park (3160 Airport Rd)

June 22

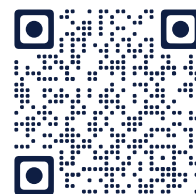
Bike To Work Day

5pm - 8pm, Upslope Brewing (1898 S Flatiron Ct)

July 9

Bike Rodeo for Kids

10am - 2pm, Main Branch Library (1001 Arapahoe Ave)

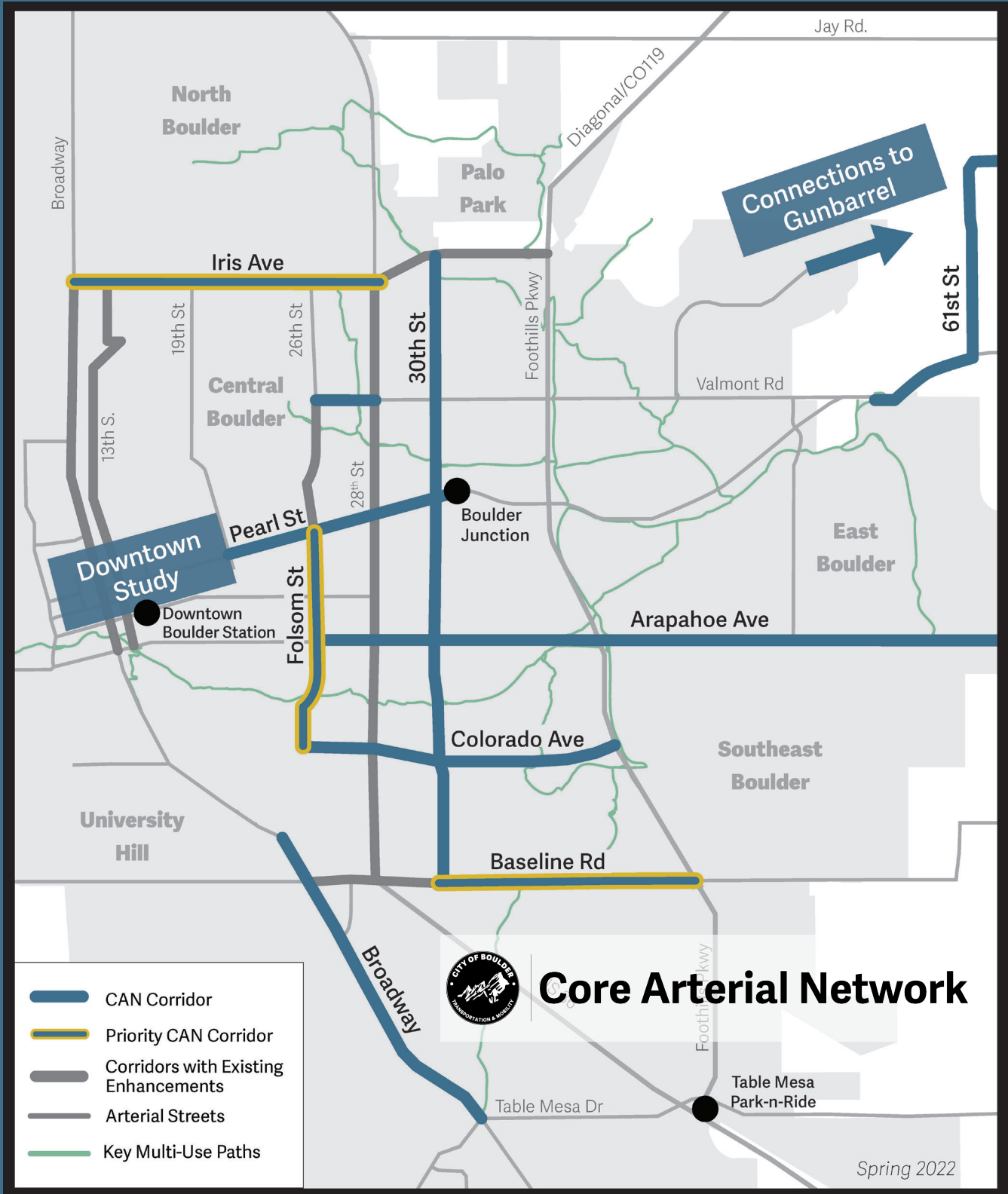


More Events & Info @

WalkAndBikeMonth.org

or scan QR code for more info

Saying "Yes, we CAN" to safer streets



No one should be killed or seriously injured in traffic crashes on Boulder's streets. While we've made progress creating safer streets whether you walk, bike, roll or drive, there is still work to be done.

The Safe Streets Report, released earlier this year, found that 67% of traffic crashes resulting in serious injury or fatality take place on arterial streets, the main corridors connecting community destinations. These streets, such as Arapahoe Avenue, Broadway and Baseline Road, account for only 17% of the city's streets but often have higher speed limits and traffic volumes.



In response, the city is focusing on a Core Arterial Network (CAN). The CAN is the connected system of protected bicycle lanes, intersection enhancements, pedestrian facilities and transit facility upgrades. These improvements will help reduce severe crashes, and make it more comfortable and convenient to journey among major destinations such as schools, parks, grocery stores and shopping.

Boulder City Council identified 13 corridors to focus on over the next several years. Many are already underway, such as the 30th Street Corridor Multimodal Improvements Project that will add protected bike lanes and wider sidewalks to 30th Street between Colorado and Arapahoe avenues near the CU Boulder campus. Others will be initiated within three to five years, including projects on Baseline Road, Iris Avenue and Folsom Street to improve multimodal safety and reduce likelihood of severe crashes.

Moving about Boulder should be safe, no matter how you get around. This work CAN get us there.

Learn about the CAN at bouldercolorado.gov/guide/core-arterial-network.



UN PÓDCAST SOBRE TU CIUDAD

Somos Boulder is a Spanish-language podcast for City of Boulder residents. Each month, Jhocelyn Avendaño and Manuela Sifuentes interview Spanish speakers from the community about a wide variety of themes, such as health and wellbeing, summer programs for youth or how to prepare ourselves for an emergency. You can find us on Spotify, Google Podcasts, Apple Podcasts or Amazon Audible or on our website: bouldercolorado.gov/somos-boulder

One year after passing its first racial equity plan, Boulder is making progress

In February 2021, the Boulder City Council passed the city's first-ever Racial Equity Plan, which guides the city's efforts to advance racial equity. For a democratic government like the City of Boulder, representation is essential to ensuring decisions reflect the preferences of the whole community. These efforts include:

Bringing New Voices to the Floor

- Community Connectors in Residence provide a vital link to cultural, linguistic and geographic communities, representing Latinx, Nepali, Black or African American, older adult, LGBTQ+, CU students, adults with disabilities, residents of manufactured home communities and low-income community members.

Making Government Accessible in Other Languages

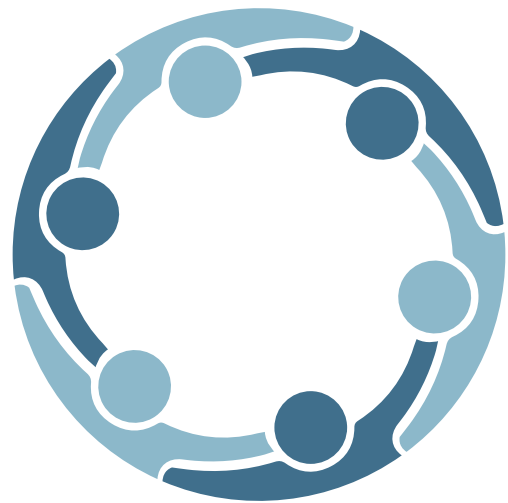
- The Human Relations Commission began holding bilingual meetings to support a new appointee that primarily speaks Spanish.

Work Groups Tackling Inequities

- COVID-19 vaccination clinics in primarily Latinx communities improved vaccine equity in Boulder.
- The Eviction Protection and Rental Assistance Services program boosted equity in its data collection and Tenant Advisory Committee Selection processes.

Staff Training Making an Impact

- The city offers three staff training courses to expand knowledge of government's role



in advancing equity, reduce instances of bias and microaggression, and evaluate the equity impact of proposed policies.

Declarations and Events Boost Visibility of City's Equity Efforts

- The city funded and partnered with community organizations to honor Indigenous People's Day and Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
- The city organized a ceremony to name the city's municipal building after Penfield Tate II, the city's first Black mayor.
- City Council issued 13 declarations to promote diversity, equity and multiculturalism.

The Work Ahead

The city's efforts to advance racial equity will continue far into the future. Learn more at bouldercolorado.gov/services/racial-equity.



Be a sustainable cyclist: give your used bikes a new life

Did you know used bike tires, tubes and parts can be recycled in Boulder? Thanks to a partnership among the City of Boulder, Community Cycles and Eco-Cycle, your tires do not have to end up in the landfill.

Donate to Community Cycles or Eco-Cycle in one of three ways:

- Have Community Cycles pick up your bike.
- Bring your bike and bike parts to Community Cycles.
- Take your bike and bike parts to Eco-Cycle's Center for Hard-to-Recycle Materials (CHaRM)

Tires in good working condition are resold at Community Cycles' shop, while the rest are taken to CHaRM for recycling.

Eco-Cycle redirects tire materials and treads to local companies, who transform them into new materials including crumb rubber, which is used in road construction and products like bags and backpacks.

Bike parts are used to rebuild and refurbish bikes, which are donated to low-income community members through Community Cycles' Earn a Bike program or sold in their shop.

"As cyclists, we all want to do better for the planet," says Dax Burgos, shop director at Community Cycles. "I really feel like this is just one less step, one less hurdle for people to do the right thing."



Learn more about bike recycling by visiting Community Cycles' website: communitycycles.org



FLOOD SAFETY TIPS



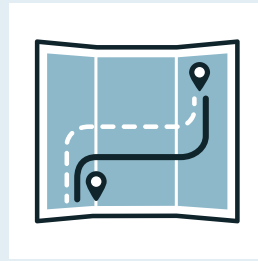
BEFORE



Know your risk and sign up for emergency alerts



Prepare a go bag with food, drugs, documents, flashlight, pet items



Know how to evacuate, how to get to higher ground and safe alternative routes

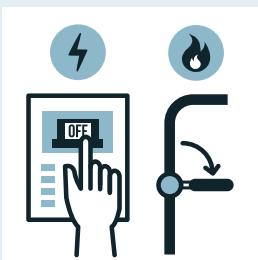


Purchase flood insurance: Allow 30 days for insurance to become active



Keep useful items in flood prone areas (sandbags, ladder, rope)

DURING THE FLOOD



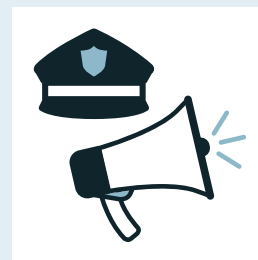
Disconnect electricity and gas



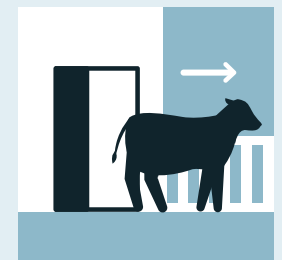
Don't walk or drive in flood water



Get to a higher ground



Follow evacuation orders

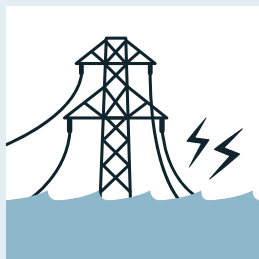


Free large animals and lead to a safer place

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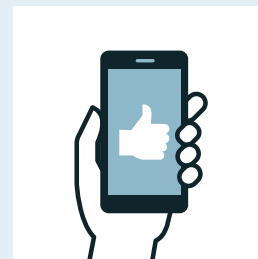
Avoid contact with flood water and swimming



Don't touch power lines



Don't go home or to disaster areas until declared safe



Communicate to your family that you are safe



When back home: Clean and disinfect surfaces and items



Be prepared and help prevent wildfires by recreating responsibly

Wildfire risks are expected to continue year-round amid rising temperatures, sustained drought and windy conditions. City of Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks (OSMP) reminds visitors to recreate responsibly and exercise extreme caution to prevent wildfires. With visitation expected to increase over the coming months, visitors should consider several critical “know before you go” guidelines before visiting public lands:



- Know the regulations. Smoking, campfires and fireworks are prohibited on City of Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks lands.
- Know the current fire risk. Check fire restrictions and fire bans instituted by local authorities and public land managers.
- Create a plan. Know where you are going by visiting OSMPTrails.org, and consider alternative routes. Look at the forecast. Download or print a trail map. Create a backup plan for adverse weather, or emergencies such as fires and floods.
- Charge your phone. Have a full battery before you leave your home. Cell service may be limited in mountain locations.
- Pack for changing conditions. Bring enough food and water. Wear appropriate clothing and shoes.
- Don't take unnecessary risks. Consider not visiting public lands during adverse weather conditions.
- Stay alert when on the trail. Be aware of your surroundings. Always stay focused on what's in front and around you as the outdoors are changing environments and natural hazards may be present. Call 911 if there is an emergency, such as a fire starting or if you see smoke. Try to text 911 if you don't have enough cell service to get a phone call through



Learn more about visiting Boulder trails at:
bit.ly/3M6J4Uo

What can you do to improve your home's safety from wildfire?

The City of Boulder wants to help you prepare your family, home and property against the threat of wildfires. The Boulder Fire-Rescue Department, along with other local cooperating agencies, will make every effort to protect lives and property. At the same time, everyone can help mitigate wildfire risk.

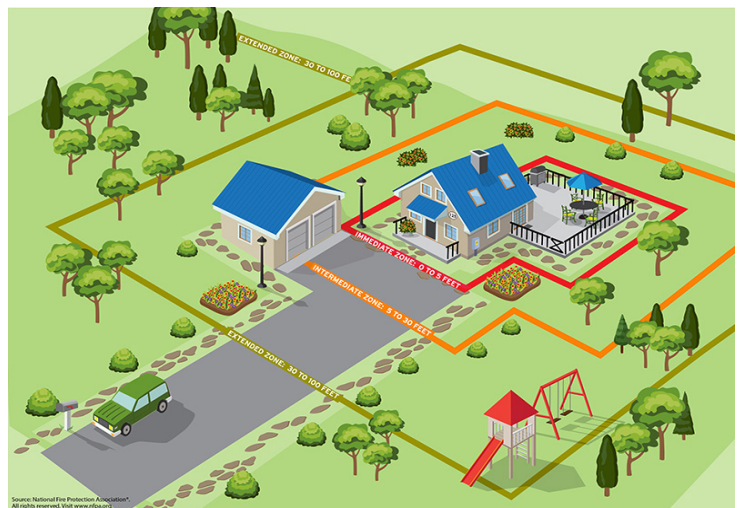
Here, we discuss the three types of zones in your home and how to maintain each zone, as well as what parts of your property to manage most diligently to reduce the risk of your home igniting from a wildfire spark. For more information, visit the wildland safety page at: bit.ly/3ysrki7

ZONE 1. This well-irrigated area encircles the structure for at least 30 feet on all sides including decks and fences, and provides space for fire-suppression equipment in an emergency. Keep lawns maintained and mowed in this zone. Limit plantings and place them in less susceptible locations. Plant low-flammability species and consider non-flammable mulch.

ZONE 2. This area encircles 30 to 100 feet from the home. Use low-flammability plant materials and low-growing plants. Irrigation systems should extend into this section if your home has them.

Shrubs and trees need to be pruned and spaced to prevent crowns of trees from touching each other.

ZONE 3. This area encompasses 100 to 200 feet from the home. Place low-growing plants and well-spaced trees in this area, remembering to keep the volume of vegetation (fuel) low. For many homes in the City of Boulder, Zone 3 is your neighbor's yard. Talk to your neighbors about working together to protect both of your homes and property.



Other tasks that can help protect your home from wildfire:

- Mow your lawn regularly.
- Create a “fire-free” area within 5 feet of the home, using non-flammable landscaping materials and/or annuals and perennials with high moisture content.
- Remove dead vegetation from under your deck and from within 10 feet of the house.

- Water plants and trees regularly.
- Instead of mulch, consider pebbles or rock scape. Keep mulch moist by watering it.
- Remove leaf clutter, and dead and overhanging branches — especially in areas where the wind “eddies” and deposits leaves and trash, such as vents, eaves, decks, corners and gutters.
- Space your plants, and chose a mix of deciduous and coniferous trees and plants free of resins, oils or waxes that burn easily.
- Prune (limb) trees up, removing branches below 6 to 10 feet from the ground.
- Space coniferous trees at least 30 feet between their widest tops (also known as crowns).
- Trim trees or plants that overhang or touch the house.
- Use non-flammable materials such as rock or gravel at the base of trees and bushes.

HOME IGNITION ZONE CHECKLIST

SIMPLE STEPS FROM ROOF TO FOUNDATION TO MAKE A HOME SAFER FROM EMBERS AND RADIANT HEAT

- Clean roofs and gutters of dead leaves, debris and pine needles that could catch embers
- Replace or repair any loose or missing shingles or roof tiles to prevent ember penetration
- Reduce embers that could pass through vents in the eaves by installing 1/8 inch metal mesh screening
- Clean debris from exterior attic vents and install 1/8 inch metal mesh screening to reduce embers
- Repair or replace damaged or loose window screens and any broken windows
- Screen or box-in areas below patios and decks with wire mesh to prevent debris and combustible materials from accumulating
- Move any flammable material away from wall exteriors - mulch, flammable plants, leaves and needles, firewood piles - anything that can burn
- Remove anything stored underneath decks or porches

VISIT [FIREWISE.ORG](https://www.firewise.org) FOR MORE DETAILS

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Sign up for Boulder County's Emergency Alert System

One of the best ways to prepare for an emergency is to sign up to receive notifications for emergencies in your area. If you haven't signed up already, now is the time to register for emergency notifications for your home address. You can also register to receive notifications about events affecting other addresses including your workplace, family's schools, etc.

Boulder County's emergency alert notification system is run by Everbridge. You can sign up for any Boulder County address at: [boco911alert.com](https://www.boco911alert.com)

What goes in a go bag?



Emergency preparedness

Have you ever wondered what you'd take if you had to evacuate your house quickly for an approaching wildfire or another emergency? Having to figure out what to grab if you only have a few minutes can be difficult and stressful. Boulder Fire-Rescue recommends community members spend a few minutes each year preparing a "go bag" in case an emergency happens in your area; that way you can grab what you need and go. Having a bag to grab, or at the very least a list of items to direct you on what to grab before you leave the house in an emergency can really make a difference. For more information, visit ready.gov/kit



If you have to leave immediately: **The 7 Ps**



1. **People**



2. **Pets**



3. **Papers/important identifying documents** (such as passports and birth certificates)



4. **Prescriptions** (including eyeglasses)



5. **Pictures** and other irreplaceable memorabilia



6. **Personal computers and phones**



7. **"Plastic"** (credit/debit cards) and/or cash

If you have more time to prepare:

- The "P" items listed above
- Water (one gallon per person per day, for drinking and sanitation)
- Food (non-perishable) and manual can opener if you have cans.
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio
- Flashlight
- First aid kit
- Extra batteries
- Whistle (to signal for help)
- Mask (to help filter contaminated air and for health safety)
- Tent/sheltering materials
- Moist towelettes and other personal hygiene items
- Eating utensils
- Garbage bags
- Local maps
- Writing materials
- Cell phone with chargers and a backup battery
- Food, clothing and activities for children
- Pet food and extra water for your pet
- Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person
- Complete change of clothing appropriate for climate
- Sturdy footwear

Police oversight in Boulder

Office of the Independent Police Monitor

Council created the police monitor role to review the handling of complaints; analyze trends in policing; recommend improvements to police practices; and increase transparency around police oversight.

Police Oversight Panel

Council created the Police Oversight Panel to increase community involvement in police oversight and to ensure historically excluded communities have a voice in police oversight.

The panel meets on the second Thursday of every month, and all community members are welcome. Meeting information is available at bouldercolorado.gov/police-oversight-panel.

In 2021, 58 complaints were filed involving 88 separate allegations. Fifty-six complaints were classified as misconduct and two as serious misconduct. Of the 88 allegations, 15 were sustained (a sustain rate of 17%). Two complaints from late 2021 remain in progress.

Policy & Training Recommendations

The Police Oversight Panel issues policy and training recommendations based on either their review of completed investigations, or an analysis of patterns and trends. In reviewing complaint investigations for 2021, the panel or a panel review committee provided the following recommendations:

Police should reexamine training on use of force as it relates to juveniles, with a focus on behavioral and developmental conditions that may interfere with a juvenile's ability and/or willingness to comply with authorities.

The panel recommended police identify



alternate options for officers required to detain juveniles; individuals of a small stature; and children who are at risk or in crisis.

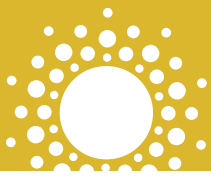
Police should consider more clarity in rules and regulations around what specifically constitutes a prohibited neck or chokehold restraint.

The department's general orders prohibit the use of neck and chokehold restraints, but a panel case-review committee raised the concern that such restraints were not clearly defined in their general orders manual, and thus difficult to interpret and implement for the purposes of disciplinary review.

The panel recommended the department remind officers and detectives that all individuals alleging sexual assault should be given contact information for victims' advocate services.

While this is already the intended departmental policy and practice, a case-review committee concluded that a reminder would benefit victims to ensure their comfort in accessing resources.

Additional information is in the Second Annual Police Oversight Report, available at bouldercolorado.gov/police-oversight-panel.



Guide to summer events

June

Walk and Bike Month, June 1 – 30

Various locations

A month-long celebration of events promoting walking and biking in Boulder. Throughout June, Boulder community members of all ages and abilities are encouraged to walk, bike, and ride transit for daily trips. Register for Boulder's Bike to Work Day on Wednesday, June 22.

Summer of Discovery: Our Connected World, Wednesday, June 1

*All ages reading programs and activities
June 1 through July 31*

Challenge yourself to read more this summer with Boulder Public Library's "Summer of Discovery" reading challenge. Sign up today at any library location, online or using the Beanstack app. Complete the challenge and win prizes. Go to BoulderLibrary.org/summer for additional programs and activities!

Boulder Jewish Festival, Sunday, June 12, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Boulder County Courthouse Lawn and 1300 block of the Pearl Street Mall

Join the free one-day celebration of Jewish arts and culture at this year's Boulder Jewish Festival. The family-friendly event will feature live entertainment, fine art, food, community organizations and activities for all ages.

Bands on the Bricks. Wednesdays, June 15 – Aug. 3, 5 p.m.

Pearl Street Mall

Enjoy performances from the best local musicians along the Front Range while dancing under the stars. A not-to-be missed summer tradition with eight weeks of free concerts.

Meet and Bleat: Goats at the Library, Saturday, June 18 at 11 a.m.

Meadows Branch Library

Interact with Growing Gardens Goat Dairy's newest members of the heard! Learn about regenerative agriculture, animal husbandry and the daily adventures of dairy goat kids.

Mokomba Ensemble Interactive Performance, Saturday, June 18 at 4 p.m.

Bill Bower Park

An evening of dancing and drumming with the Mokomba Ensemble at South Boulder's Bill Bower Park. Bring a blanket, chair or a picnic and get ready to immerse yourself in the rhythms and music of West Africa. Free and fun for all ages!

Concerts in the Parks, Mondays, June 27 through Aug. 1, 7 p.m.

Various locations

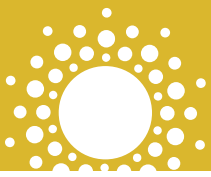
The city's Parks and Recreation Department partners with Boulder Concert Band to provide music in the parks. The Boulder Concert Band is composed of volunteer musicians from Boulder and surrounding communities. Bring a picnic dinner and enjoy the parks with your family.

July

Pearl Street Arts Fest, July 15 – July 17

1300 block of Pearl

A celebration of visual art in Downtown Boulder, the 42nd Annual Pearl Street Arts Fest includes a variety of art, from whimsical and modern sculptures to traditional watercolors, oils and more.



Encanto: Movie and Sing Along, Saturday, July 30 at 1 p.m.

Main Boulder Public Library – Canyon Theater

Bring the entire family to watch Disney's Encanto and make a butterfly craft.

Afterward enjoy a sno-cone on a human powered 7-foot hamster wheel with Big Wheel Beverages.

August

Boulder Taco Fest, Saturday, Aug. 6, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

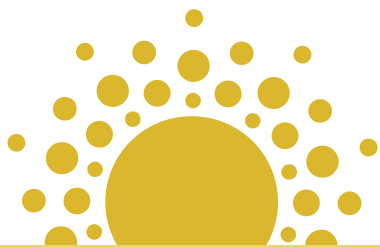
Boulder Public Library

Enjoy amazing food, drinks, awesome live bands and free fun for the kiddos at a breath-taking venue on Boulder Creek. It's a can't-miss event for all ages!

Great Boulder Duck Race, Sunday, Aug. 28

Scott Carpenter Pool's lazy river

The PLAY Boulder Foundation is proud to host this beloved community event. The event will raise funds for the PLAY Boulder Foundation's ongoing work to support excellence in parks and recreation in Boulder. Ducks are available to sponsor!



PARK-TO-PARK

FREE SHUTTLE TO CHAUTAUQUA

**WEEKENDS & HOLIDAYS
MEMORIAL DAY
TO LABOR DAY**

**FREE
TO RIDE**

**8am-8pm
EVERY 15
MINUTES**

**SUMMER
WEEKENDS
& HOLIDAYS**

**BIKES
AND DOGS
WELCOME**

Start your visit off right.

Enjoy a convenient, stress-free way to access Chautauqua! Park to Park not only improves your experience, it reduces vehicular and parking impacts on neighbors and the area's natural and cultural resources.

Park at one of two free satellite parking lots or catch the shuttle from downtown Boulder, where you can park for free at city parking garages on weekends and holidays.

BoulderColoradoUSA.com/shuttle



For more information about Boulder events, visit bouldercolorado.gov/events

Funding our library future

A library is more than a place to borrow a free book. It is a vital civic space for people to meet and have conversations, study, hang out with friends, and engage in fun, educational activities and cultural experiences. It is evident by increased usage and requests for expanded programming that the community values its public libraries. In 2018, the Library Master Plan revealed that its estimated library funding would fall short by at least \$3.2 million every year if sustainable funding was not provided moving forward. These shortfalls did not include further library budget cuts caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Creating a library district continues to be an option for stabilizing the library's budget.



What is a library district?

A political subdivision of the state, created by one or more governmental entities and funded by dedicated property tax revenues. They are governed by a Board of Trustees appointed by the establishing governmental entities.

How can a library district be formed?

There are two ways that a library district can be formed. One way is the establishing entities adopt resolutions to form a library district. The establishing entities and the library district negotiate an intergovernmental agreement that outlines the transfer of property and employees, defines funding during the transition year, etc. The other way to form a library district is by a petition signed by a minimum of 100 electors in the proposed library district service area boundary. The petition defines the mill levy and service area boundary that are written into the ballot item. In either option, final approval for the district formation must come from voter approval through an election because of the impact to property taxes.

Current Status

Back in April, City Council and the Boulder County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) held a joint public hearing to decide whether to create a library district by resolution. City Council accepted the proposal to move the creation of the district forward, but the BOCC rejected it. While deliberations over the formation of a library district continue, the library will continue to make the most of existing resources.

Additional information on funding the future of the library is available at: boulderlibrary.org/funding.



Help stop the spread of New Zealand mudsnails

You probably have never heard of New Zealand mudsnails — but they're one bad, tiny critter. New Zealand mudsnails are the size of a grain of rice, so it is easy for the invasive aquatic species to spread them from creek to creek. Once established, they can overwhelm sensitive creek habitats and harm fish populations: Just one mudsnail can produce a colony of 40 million mudsnails in one year.

Mudsnails are also a problem for Boulder creeks because:

- They're clingy! Since they're so small, they can sneak aboard almost anything, including waders, boots, floaties and between a dog's foot pads. If it can carry a sand grain, it can carry a mudsnail.
- They're hardy! Mudsnails can survive out of water for days.
- They're tenacious! Once they establish in a creek, it's practically impossible to get rid of them.
- They're bad news! They can displace native aquatic insects that fish eat and passthrough fish digestive systems without being digested. This can result in reduced fish growth rates and lower fish populations.

Help Prevent the Spread of Mudsnails

In open creek areas, visitors and anglers should remember to:

- Brush dog paws and bellies carefully on dry land.
- Use a wire brush to remove mud and vegetation from boots and gear immediately after stepping back onto dry ground.
- Take steps detailed by Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) once home or before going to another body of water. Learn more: bit.ly/badcritter
- Not flush water used to clean boots or rinse equipment down storm drains.



Protect sensitive natural areas by not accessing spaces that are closed due to New Zealand mudsnails. See current closures online at bit.ly/badcritterclosures.



Nature brings out the best in us

The last several years have been full of challenges — and for many, nature has been a critical place to seek emotional and physical support. Scientists have been diving deeper into how people need nature to thrive and have found the benefits of nature include:

- Decreasing stress and anxiety
- Making us happier
- Helping us be kinder and promote pro-social behaviors

We're paying attention and have more tips on enhancing well-being and happiness through a deeper connection with nature.



- Slow down. Sit and relax for 15 to 20 minutes. It's amazing what you may start noticing.
- Join a nature hike. Build community and explore Boulder Open Space and Mountain Parks (OSMP) on a guided hike. Sign up for OSMP's Field Notes email to see upcoming programs: bit.ly/osmp-field-notes
- Explore new areas. Try new trails with friends to build trust and connection. Download the Boulder Area Trails app at bit.ly/boulder-trails-app.
- Volunteer. Participate in an open-space project to meet amazing people and give back to the land we love. Learn about volunteer opportunities at volunteerosmp.org.

For many years, OSMP has been collaborating with Boulder Community Health (BCH) and other organizations to support community members' emotional and physical health. Visit naturehikes.org to learn about OSMP's nature program, and keep an eye out for wellness offerings through Boulder Community Health.



Our team is growing!
The City of Boulder is hiring
Explore career opportunities at:
bouldercolorado.gov/work-for-boulder



Council meetings move to **Thursdays** this July



More Boulder news

Check out these articles that didn't make it to print. For even more Boulder news, visit bouldercolorado.gov/news



Help make healthy compost



Electric vehicles: a piece of the renewable energy puzzle



2022 open space trail repair projects



Plan your summer fun with the latest recreation guide



Natural solutions climate campaign "Cool Boulder"



City service round-up

Mensaje de la gerente municipal



**NURIA RIVERA-
VANDERMYDE**

Gerente
Municipal

El 10 de mayo fue mi primer aniversario como gerente municipal y han pasado muchas cosas desde que llegué a Boulder. El año pasado, por estas fechas, la ciudad aún estaba recuperándose de la horrible tragedia de King Soopers. No estábamos conscientes que en pocos meses nos esperaban aún más tragedias y traumas como los incendios de varios apartamentos y el incendio forestal que nos afectó tanto a nosotros como a varias comunidades vecinas. Conforme la pandemia avanzaba y retrocedía en Colorado, pasamos por varios meses de cambios en el uso de mascarillas. Finalmente, como gobierno municipal, estuvimos preparándonos ansiosamente para un regreso al trabajo presencial con un nuevo modelo híbrido, estableciendo nuevos horarios, aprendiendo nuevas tecnologías y, para algunos, conociendo nuevos espacios de trabajo.

Aunque la pandemia ha limitado un poco la posibilidad de relacionarme con la maravillosa comunidad de Boulder, he tenido el privilegio de conocer a muchos de ustedes, ya sea en persona o por medio virtual. Nos han hecho sentir a mí y a mi familia sumamente bienvenidos, y me ha impresionado la generosidad, el espíritu resistente y el interés por la innovación que hacen que esta ciudad sea tan especial.

Les doy las gracias de corazón.

Una de las cosas que me da más satisfacción, tanto de manera personal como profesional, es el servicio a otros. Para mí es un honor poder liderar en una comunidad como Boulder, que tiene la dicha de contar con tantos otros líderes, algunos que se basan en su experiencia vivida para compartir sabiduría y marcar la diferencia, y otros que aprovechan años de educación y experiencia técnica para abordar muchos de los problemas más desconcertantes de nuestro tiempo.

Entre estos líderes destacan colegas con quienes tengo el privilegio de trabajar cada día.

Algunos miembros del personal municipal reciben reconocimiento frecuente por parte de la comunidad, por ejemplo:

- Los operadores del centro de llamadas de emergencia y los socorristas, que se lanzan a situaciones peligrosas con el fin de protegernos, sin importar de dónde proviene la amenaza, si es un ser humano poniéndonos en peligro o si es una catástrofe natural;
- Mis compañeros de trabajo que dan mantenimiento a los muchos senderos, parques, centros recreativos y bibliotecas que ustedes, los usuarios, tanto aprecian;
- Mis colegas del Departamento de Vivienda y Servicios Humanos, que ponen en marcha programas que cambian vidas y se esfuerzan por atender las necesidades urgentes de las poblaciones más vulnerables en nuestra comunidad;

- Y, con una comunidad tan comprometida al desarrollo y la planificación urbana como lo es Boulder, los muchos profesionales del Servicio de Planificación y Desarrollo que de manera regular llevan a cabo su trabajo, tanto públicamente como frente al Concejo Municipal.

Quiero que sepan que el aprecio que ustedes muestran a estos servidores públicos es importante, y a menudo les levanta el ánimo cuando las condiciones hacen más difícil su trabajo.

Pero hay muchas otras funciones, algunas menos visibles, que desempeña el gobierno municipal. Durante este último año, me he maravillado con la dedicación que supone mantener todas nuestras instalaciones limpias, funcionando en orden y accesibles para todas las personas. He felicitado a mis colegas que siempre están al tanto de nuestros sistemas de infraestructuras y servicios públicos para que nuestras carreteras sean seguras y el agua de beber sea potable. He recibido la más cálida gratitud por nuestro personal administrativo y de atención al cliente, son estos empleados los que dan forma a los encuentros entre comunidad y gobierno local. También he tratado de crear consciencia, tanto internamente como con la comunidad, sobre la importancia de las funciones laborales de nuestros departamentos de servicios internos para garantizar que seamos un modelo de administración fiscal y de buen gobierno en todos los sentidos.

Este año me siento especialmente orgullosa del esfuerzo común por ser inclusivos y honrar las múltiples voces de Boulder, tal y como establece el Plan de Equidad Racial aprobado por el Concejo. Aunque aún queda trabajo por hacer, se han dado algunos avances dignos de ser mencionados: la colaboración con líderes de los pueblos originarios para cambiar el nombre del parque que hoy se llama *People's Crossing* y el esmero minucioso por garantizar que las comunidades históricamente marginadas sean bienvenidas en nuestros espacios y en la toma de decisiones.

Viendo al futuro, hacia mi segundo año en funciones, me comprometo a seguir centrándome en la equidad, a cultivar conversaciones honestas y a gestionar eficazmente los numerosos programas, servicios y planes de trabajo que apoyan los objetivos y prioridades de nuestra comunidad. Me entusiasma la idea de colaborar con ustedes y agradezco los comentarios que me hacen llegar por correo electrónico.



**SOMOS
BOULDER**

UN PÓDCAST SOBRE TU CIUDAD

Somos Boulder es un pódcast en español para los residentes de la ciudad de Boulder. Cada mes, Jhocelyn Avendaño y Manuela Sifuentes entrevistan a personas hispanohablantes de nuestra comunidad sobre una gran variedad de temas de interés, como salud y bienestar, programas de verano para jóvenes, o cómo prepararnos para una emergencia. Nos pueden encontrar en Spotify, Google Podcasts, Apple Podcasts o Amazon Audible, o en nuestra página web: bouldercolorado.gov/somos-boulder

¿Qué puede hacer para mejorar la seguridad de su casa frente a un incendio forestal?

El Gobierno de la ciudad de Boulder quiere ayudar a que usted, su familia y su hogar estén preparados ante la amenaza de un incendio forestal. El departamento de bomberos municipales (en inglés: Boulder Fire-Rescue), junto con otras agencias locales siempre harán todo lo posible por proteger la vida y la propiedad. Pero también hay cosas que nosotros podemos hacer para ayudar a mitigar riesgos.

Aquí repasamos los tres tipos de zonas en su casa y cómo dar mantenimiento a cada una de ellas, así como partes de su propiedad que es importante mantener con mayor atención para reducir el riesgo de que su casa prenda fuego a causa de un incendio forestal.

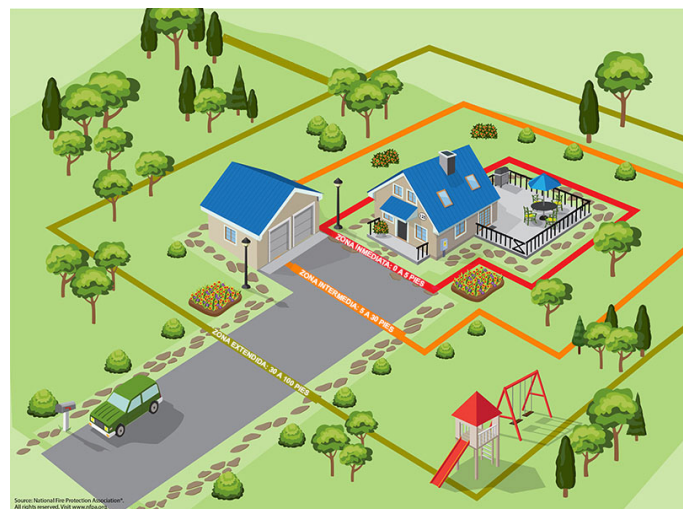
ZONA 1. Es la zona de unos 10 metros de ancho que rodea la estructura de la casa, incluyendo tarimas y cercas. Esta zona proporciona espacio para el equipo de extinción de incendios en caso de una emergencia. Déle mantenimiento constante al pasto y limite el número de plantas, colocándolas estratégicamente. Siembre especies poco inflamables o coloque mantillo no inflamable.

ZONA 2. Esta zona que rodea su casa es de unos 30 metros de ancho. Use materiales poco inflamables y plantas de bajo crecimiento. Es bueno extender los sistemas de riego hasta esta sección. Cualquier arbusto o árbol debe podarse y plantarse con suficiente espacio para que las copas de los árboles no se toquen entre sí.

ZONA 3. Esta zona es de unos 60 metros de ancho. Siembre plantas de bajo crecimiento y si siembra árboles, recuerde espaciarlos bien. En esta zona es importante mantener el volumen de vegetación bajo, pues esto es combustible durante un incendio. Es probable que esta área sea el jardín de su vecino. Hablen entre ustedes y colaboren para proteger ambos hogares de un potencial incendio forestal.

Otras medidas que pueden ayudar a proteger su casa:

- Corte el pasto con regularidad.
- Use materiales de jardinería no inflamables o plantas que tengan un alto contenido de humedad para crear una zona "libre de incendios" de 1.5 metros alrededor de su casa.



- Asegúrese de no tener vegetación muerta a menos de 3 metros de su casa, y revise debajo de cualquier terraza o tarima.
- Riegue las plantas y los árboles con regularidad.
- Riegue el mantillo a menudo para mantenerlo húmedo. En lugar de mantillo puede usar gravilla o piedras.
- Elimine hojas secas y ramas muertas, preste especial atención a los lugares donde el viento tiende a acomodar hojas y basura, como en las rejillas de ventilación, aleros, cubiertas, esquinas y canaletas.
- Deje suficiente espacio entre planta y planta, y siembre una mezcla de árboles coníferos (los que no pierden sus hojas en invierno) y de hoja caduca (los que pierden sus hojas en invierno). Evite plantas con resinas, aceites o ceras, ya que se queman fácilmente.
- Poda los árboles y elimine las ramas que estén a menos de 2-3 metros del suelo.
- Espacie los árboles coníferos dejando al menos 10 metros entre la parte más ancha de sus copas (también conocidas como coronas).
- Recorte árboles o ramas que toquen o cuelguen sobre su casa.
- Use materiales no inflamables, como rocas o gravilla en la base de árboles y arbustos.

LISTA DE REVISIÓN PARA CUIDAR SU CASA DE UN INCENDIO

PASOS SENCILLOS PARA QUE UNA CASA, DESDE SUS CIMIENTOS HASTA EL TECHO, SEA MÁS SEGURA ANTE UNA AMENAZA DE BRASAS O DE CALOR RADIANTE

- Limpie techos y canaletas para no acumular hojas muertas, escombros o agujas de pino que puedan atrapar las brasas
- Repare o reponga las tejas o tablillas del tejado para evitar que las brasas lo penetren
- Instale una malla metálica para reducir la cantidad de brasas que podrían pasar a través de las rejillas de ventilación de los aleros.
- Limpie las rejillas de ventilación exteriores e instale una malla metálica
- Repare cualquier ventana rota y repare o reponga las mallas mosquiteras dañadas o sueltas
- Proteja las cubiertas y áreas debajo de patios o de casas móviles con una malla metálica para evitar acumulación de residuos y material combustible.
- Aleje cualquier material inflamable del exterior de su casa, como mantillo, plantas inflamables, hojas y agujas, leña, o cualquier cosa que pueda arder.
- No almacene nada debajo de cubiertas, porches o de su casa móvil.

DATOS DE NFPA, TRADUCIDO POR CITY OF BOULDER



Inscríbese en el sistema de alertas de emergencia de Boulder County

Al inscribirse, se le pide que ingrese la dirección de su casa para poder recibir alertas en caso de una emergencia específicamente en su localidad. También puede ingresar direcciones adicionales, como de su trabajo o la escuela de sus hijos, y así también recibir alertas en caso de una emergencia en esas localidades.

Para inscribirse visite boco911alert.com (esta página solamente está disponible en inglés).

CONSEJOS DE SEGURIDAD CONTRA INUNDACIONES



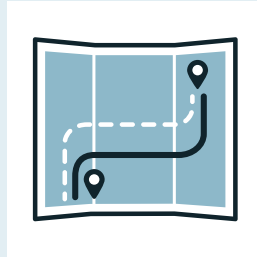
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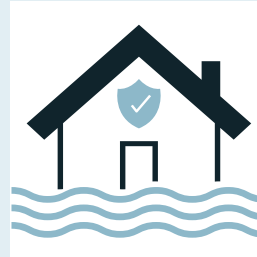
Conozca su riesgo y suscríbase para recibir alertas de emergencia



Prepare una mochila de emergencia con comida, medicina, documentos, linterna y cosas para su mascota



Sepa cómo evacuar y conozca cuáles son las rutas alternativas más seguras

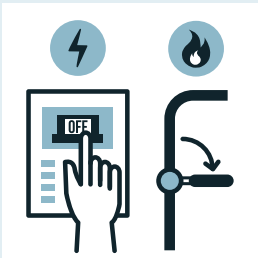


Adquiera un seguro contra inundaciones. Recuerde que se necesitan 30 días para que se active



Guarde artículos útiles en zonas propensas a inundarse (cuerda, bolsas de arena, escalera)

DURANTE LA INUNDACIÓN



Desconecte los servicios de agua y de gas



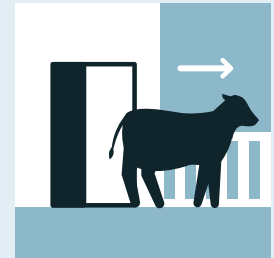
No camine ni maneje en áreas inundadas



Aléjese del agua, hacia un terreno más elevado



Atienda a las órdenes de evacuación

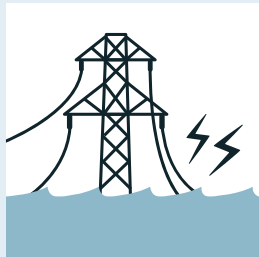


Suelte a los animales grandes y llévelos a un lugar seguro

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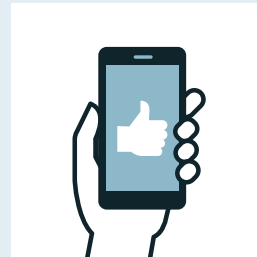
No nade y evite el contacto con el agua de la inundación



No toque las líneas eléctricas



No vuelva a casa ni al lugar de la catástrofe hasta que se declare que es seguro



Comuníquese a su familia que usted está a salvo



Al volver a casa: limpie y desinfecte las superficies y otros objetos

¿Qué incluir en la mochila?



Preparación para emergencias

¿Alguna vez se ha preguntado que se llevaría con usted si tuviera que evacuar su casa rápidamente por un incendio forestal u otra emergencia? Si sólo tiene unos minutos para decidir puede ser muy difícil y estresante. El cuerpo de bomberos de Boulder recomienda dedicar unos minutos cada año para preparar una mochila de emergencia por si sucede algún evento que requiera que abandone su casa rápidamente. Tener lista una mochila, o al menos una lista de las cosas que debe llevarse antes de salir de su casa en una emergencia puede ser muy útil. Para más información visite: [ready.gov/es/kit](https://www.ready.gov/es/kit)



Si tiene que salir inmediatamente:



1. **Personas**



2. **Mascotas**



3. **Papeles/documentos importantes** (como certificados de nacimiento, pasaportes y documentos migratorios)



4. **Recetas médicas** (no olvide sus lentes)



5. **Fotos** y otros recuerdos imposible de reemplazar



6. **Computadoras y celulares**



7. **Tarjetas** de débito/ crédito y dinero en efectivo

Si tiene más tiempo para prepararse:

- Las personas, mascotas y artículos en la lista anterior
- Agua (un galón por persona por día, para beber y para el aseo personal)
- Alimentos (no perecederos) y un abre latas manual, si lleva comida enlatada
- Una radio de baterías o con manivela
- Una linterna
- Kit de primeros auxilios
- Baterías adicionales
- Un silbato (para pedir ayuda)
- Mascarilla antipolvo (para ayudar a filtrar el aire contaminado y para su salud)
- Carpa o tienda de campaña y materiales para refugiarse
- Toallitas húmedas y otros productos de higiene personal
- Utensilios para comer
- Bolsas de basura
- Mapas locales
- Papel y lápiz
- Celular y cargadores, y batería de reserva
- Comida, ropa y actividades para niños
- Comida y agua para su mascota
- Saco de dormir o frazada para cada persona
- Muda completa de ropa, apropiada para el clima
- Zapatos resistentes



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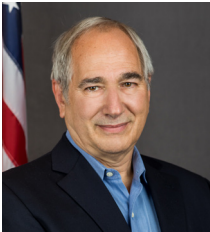
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