

CITY OF THORNTON

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR

**PRINTING OF THORNTON PARKS, RECREATION, & COMMUNITY
PROGRAMS (TPRCP) ANNUAL MAGAZINE AND CITY VOICE
NEWSPAPER**

PROJECT NO. 101-21

PROJECT NUMBER: 101-21

SUBMITTAL DEADLINE: 2:00 P.M.

SUBMITTAL DATE: April 7, 2021

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III. NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The City of Thornton, CO, (“Thornton”) respectfully requests separate sealed Proposals for **Printing of Thornton Parks, Recreation, & Community Programs (TPRCP) Annual Magazine and City Voice Newspaper, Project No. 101-21** (hereinafter referred to as “Project”). Proposals will be received until **2:00 p.m.**, local time, **April 7, 2021**, in the Purchasing Office, 9500 Civic Center Drive, 2nd Floor City Hall, Thornton, CO 80229-4326.

Project Description: Printing of six (6) issues per year of the City Voice Newspaper and one (1) issue of a TPRCP Annual Magazine per year. The number of TPRCP Annual Magazine produced in 2021 will be one (1), and will more than likely remain one (1) in future years of the Agreement. The number of City Voice Newspaper editions is expected to remain at six (6). The initial term of the Agreement shall terminate on December 31, 2026.

Thornton utilizes BidNet Direct at www.BidNetDirect.com to distribute official copies of the Request for Proposal (RFP) for use in preparing Bid. Vendors who wish to use this website will be required to register with the website to download the Bid Documents and Addenda. If you experience problems with BidNet Direct, please call 1-800-835-4603 for assistance. There is no charge by BidNet Direct for this service.

Proposing Vendors who feel they are unable to prepare and submit an electronic submittal through BidNet may submit a bid in a sealed envelope, plainly marked on the outside of the envelope with the Vendor’s name and address and **Thornton Parks, Recreation, & Community Programs Annual Magazine and City Voice Newspaper, Project No. 101-21**. Bids delivered by mail or courier service shall be in a sealed envelope inserted into a separate mailing envelope. On the outside of the mailing envelope, Vendors shall note, **Bid Proposal Enclosed, Thornton Parks, Recreation, & Community Programs Annual Magazine and City Voice Newspaper, Project No. 101-21**. Proposals shall be placed in the Contract Submission Dropbox provided at the front door of Thornton City Hall. Provide advance notice if you will be submitting a physical proposal in this manner.

Vendors are required to acknowledge all Addenda with their Bid Proposal and are encouraged to either register with the website prior to submission of a Bid Proposal. Vendors that do not acknowledge all Addenda may be considered non-responsive. The Bid Documents, including Addenda, are also available for viewing on the City of Thornton Solicitation website <https://content.cityofthornton.net/solicitations>.

Late Proposals will not be accepted under any circumstances. Any Proposal(s) received after the scheduled time for closing will be returned to the proposing firm unopened. Sole responsibility rests with the proposing firm to see that their Proposal is received on time.

Bids submitted must equal or exceed the specifications contained herein. Thornton reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals, in part or in whole, and to award the Project to the most responsive and responsible firm as deemed in the best interest of Thornton; further, the right is reserved to waive any formalities or informalities contained in said Proposal(s).

All questions shall be directed in writing via an email to the Buyer of Record:

Buyer: Carol Arellano, Buyer I

Email: Carol.Arellano@ThorntonCO.gov

The deadline for submission of questions is **2:00 p.m., April 5, 2021**

Answers for all submitted questions shall be posted in an addendum to all Vendors, no later than **April 6, 2021**.

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BY:

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Purchasing Manager

IV. PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION

To be eligible for consideration, the proposing firm must be capable of supplying the Services as noted herein, and must also meet all other criteria outlined in this Request for Proposal (RFP).

A. INQUIRIES AND CORRECTIONS

All inquiries relating to this request shall be addressed in writing to:

City of Thornton
Attn: Carol Arellano, Buyer I
9500 Civic Center Drive
Thornton, CO 80229-4326
Fax: 303-538-7556
Email: carol.arellano@ThorntonCo.gov

If a proposing firm, finds discrepancies in or omissions from the RFP, or should require additional clarification of any part thereof, a written request for interpretation shall be submitted to the Buyer I. Any interpretation of or change made to the RFP will be made by written addendum to each proposing firm, and will become part of the RFP and of any Contract awarded. Thornton will not be responsible for the accuracy of any other ORAL EXPLANATIONS, INTERPRETATIONS, OR REPRESENTATIONS. All inquiries shall be made in writing and all responses will be provided in writing, with responses being made available to all proposing firms. To be given consideration, inquiries must be received at least ten (10) Calendar Days prior to the date established for the submission of the Proposal. It shall be the responsibility of each proposing firm to verify that every addendum has been received prior to submitting Proposals.

B. SUBMITTAL DATE AND LOCATION

All Proposals must be received by the aforementioned date and time, either via their www.BidNetDirect.com Vendor portal or via a physical proposal submission to the Contract Submission Dropbox provided at the front door of Thornton City Hall.

Vendors will be expected to allow adequate time for upload of their proposal to www.BidNetDirect.com, as the site will not allow a Vendor to modify, save, nor upload their proposal after the submittal date and time has passed. It is **highly recommended** that you do not wait until the last minute to submit your proposal.

C. LATE AND ELECTRONIC PROPOSALS

Late Proposals will not be accepted under any circumstance, and any Proposal so received shall be returned to the proposing firm unopened. In addition, Proposals sent by electronic devices are not acceptable and will be rejected upon receipt. Proposing firms will be expected to allow adequate time for delivery of their Proposals either by airfreight, postal service, or other means.

D. CONFIDENTIAL AND PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

Prior to Award, any information contained within the Proposal may be held confidential and proprietary by Thornton as solely determined by Thornton. After Award, the information within the Proposal becomes public information with the exception of information that has been clearly marked as confidential and proprietary by the proposing firm. Any information marked confidential shall comply with Colorado's Open Records Act and other applicable statutes. Thornton shall be held harmless from any claims arising from the release of confidential and proprietary information not clearly designated as such by the proposing firm. In general, it is not acceptable to Thornton to mark information other than financial statements, project financing data, litigation history, tax audit history, or client lists as confidential and proprietary. Further, it is not acceptable to mark price proposal information as confidential and proprietary. Failure to adhere to these restrictions may result in the Proposal being deemed non-responsive.

E. DEFINITION, CONTEXT, AND GENDER

Unless otherwise specified in this document, all words shall have a common meaning unless the context in which they are used clearly requires a different meaning. Words in the singular number include the plural, and in the plural include the singular. Additionally, words of the masculine gender include the feminine and the neuter, and when the sense so indicates, words of the neuter gender may refer to any gender.

F. CONDITIONS OF PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL

1. All proposing firms shall comply with all conditions, requirements, and specifications contained herein, with any departure constituting sufficient cause for rejection of the Proposal.
2. The Proposal must be signed by a duly authorized official of the proposing firm submitting the Proposal.
3. No Proposal will be accepted from any person, firm, or corporation that is in arrears for any obligation to Thornton, or that otherwise may be deemed irresponsible or unresponsive by Thornton staff or Thornton City Council.
4. Only one (1) Proposal will be accepted from any person, firm, or corporation. If multiple options are requested or offered, each option must be submitted under a single Proposal and in a single envelope or box.
5. All terms and prices quoted must be firm for a period of thirty (30) Calendar Days from the Proposal submittal date or until Award, whichever is sooner.
6. Thornton reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals, or any part thereof. The right is reserved to waive any formalities, or informalities contained in any Proposal, and to award the Project to the most responsive and responsible proposing firm as deemed in the best interest of Thornton.

7. All Proposals shall be prepared in a comprehensive manner as to content, but no necessity exists for expensive binders or promotional material.
8. All costs, including travel and expenses incurred in the preparation of this Proposal, shall be borne solely by the proposing firm.
9. Section 7.4 of the Thornton City Charter prohibits Thornton from entering into any Contracts involving an amount in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100) in which an elective or appointive officer or any member of the officer's family has any pecuniary interest, direct or indirect. Certain other restrictions may also apply to Contracts in which an employee, member of a board or commission, City Council Member or member of same's family has an existing or pending financial or personal interest. For the purposes of this Charter Section, a domestic partner shall be considered a family member. Therefore, the proposing firm shall submit the following declaration contained in Exhibit 1, Acceptance of Conditions Statement, with the Proposal:

No City Council Member, member of a board or commission, Municipal Judge, City Manager, City Attorney, or employee of the City of Thornton, or any such person's family member, domestic partner, or person assuming a relationship being the substantial equivalent of the above, has an existing or pending direct or indirect financial, pecuniary, or personal interest in the proposing firm or this RFP, except as follows: _____

10. Thornton reserves the right to negotiate final terms with the selected proposing firm that may vary from those contained in this document.
11. Thornton reserves the right to request a client list from the proposing firm, for the purpose of determining potential conflicts of interest. Said list shall be considered proprietary.
12. Thornton will not return Proposals, or other information supplied to Thornton, to the proposing firms.

G. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS

All Proposals will be evaluated by a Project Committee assigned by the City Manager, or his designee. Proposals shall be evaluated on the basis of the Evaluation Criteria noted herein. Qualifications, experience, and the applicability of solutions offered to meet Thornton's needs will be the major factors determining the selection, with pricing being secondary. In addition, other pertinent information which becomes available during the evaluation, interview, or negotiations may be considered in the evaluation. The committee may make a selection on the basis of the Proposals received, or may choose to "short list" prospective firms for further consideration, which may include interviews and or negotiations. The firm selected for the Award will be chosen on the basis of the apparent greatest benefit to Thornton, and not necessarily on the basis of

lowest price. The City Manager, or his designee, shall make the final determination of the firm selected.

H. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Proposals shall be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

1. Responsiveness to the needs of Thornton, including the time required to complete the Project, the proposed solutions offered, the means and methods of accomplishing the services, and the Scope of Services offered.
2. Responsibility of the proposing firm.
3. Experience of the proposing firm in dealing with municipal governments in projects of similar size, scope, and nature.
4. The proposing firm's engagement team, including the experience and resumes of key personnel assigned to the Project.
5. The degree to which the Proposal meets or exceeds the terms of the RFP.
6. Overall quality of samples provided by proposing firm.
7. Results of reference checks.
8. The proposing firm's fee structure based on the services to be provided.

I. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE SUCCESSFUL PROPOSING FIRM

1. The successful proposing firm shall enter into an Agreement with Thornton in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 2 and incorporated by reference herein.
2. The successful proposing firm will be required to maintain insurance coverages for the duration of the Agreement period as outlined in Exhibit 2.
3. The successful proposing firm shall be prohibited from assigning or subcontracting the whole, or any part of the Agreement, without the prior written consent of Thornton.
4. The successful proposing firm shall not hire, discharge, promote, demote, or otherwise discriminate in matters of compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment against any person otherwise qualified solely because of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, gender, physical or mental disability, or age.
5. The successful proposing firm and its employees will operate as an independent contractor and will not be considered employees of Thornton.

J. GENERAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. Thornton is seeking a Service Provider to print two (2) different publications, a four (4) page City Voice Newspaper and a multi-page TPRCP Annual Magazine, and deliver them to locations specified. Locations include Thornton’s designated mailing house and seven (7) City of Thornton facilities. Note: A sample of both the TPRCP Annual Magazine and the City Voice Newspaper are attached to this Request for Proposal, see Sample “1” and Sample “2”.
2. Thornton’s current provider for mailing services is Wizbang Solutions, 6747 East 50th Avenue, Commerce City, CO 80022. Their current hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding holidays that they observe.
3. The requirements may change as publications could be subject to some minor modifications. Additionally, quantities could increase or decrease during the term of the Agreement with no penalty to Thornton. Changes in price resulting from modifications to publications or to the number of copies printed will be negotiated at the time of the annual renewal.
4. Current quantity of the City Voice Newspaper is approximately fifty-nine thousand copies (59,000) per issue and the TPRCP Annual Magazine is approximately five thousand copies (5,000). The number of TPRCP Annual Magazine issues produced in 2021 will be one (1), and will more than likely remain one (1) in future years of the Agreement. The number of City Voice Newspaper editions per year is expected to remain at six (6).
5. Thornton will work with Service Provider to determine a process to deliver draft copies, from which Service Provider will produce a proof. Thornton will modify the proof if necessary, and return to Service Provider. The format for delivery of drafts, proofs, and revisions (hard copy, e-mail, or FTP) shall be determined at time of award.
6. Thornton is requesting Proposals with options for the publications; and will make a decision after Proposals are received and evaluated. Thornton will notify Service Provider at time of award which options are selected.
7. Following is the schedule for production of the TPRCP Annual Magazine for 2021. This schedule may vary with no penalty to Thornton.

2021 TPRCP ANNUAL MAGAZINE PROPOSED MAILING SCHEDULE:

Issue	Date To Mailing House	Date To Post Office	Date To Arrive In Homes
2021 Annual Magazine	8/30/21	9/6/21	9/7/21 – 9/17/21

8. Following is the schedule for production of the City Voice Newspaper for 2021. This schedule may vary with no penalty to Thornton.

2021 THORNTON CITY VOICE NEWSPAPER PROPOSED SCHEDULE:

Edition	Month	Print Date	Arrives in Homes
1 st Edition	March/April	February 9, 2021	End of February *
2 nd Edition	May/June	April 12, 2021	End of April
3 rd Edition	July/August	June 7, 2021	End of June
4 th Edition	September/October	August 9, 2021	End of August
5 th Edition	November/December	October 11, 2021	End of October
6 th Edition	January/February	December 13, 2021	End of December

*Edition has already been printed for 2021

V. PROPOSAL PREPARATION

- A. Proposals submitted shall contain all information as requested herein, and any additional information necessary to summarize the overall benefit of the Proposal to Thornton.
1. If your firm is submitting a physical proposal submission and **not** through the Vendor portal of BidNet, then the following items shall also be included:
 - a. One (1) original paper copy of the proposal submission with the proposal stamped as "Original".
 - b. One (1) electronic copy on a flash drive of the proposal submission.
 - i. All envelopes contain these items shall be clearly marked.
- B. Proposals shall include the following:
1. A cover letter stating the name, address, and telephone number of the proposing firm, and bearing the signature of the person having the authority to make the Proposal for the firm, and bind the firm in a formal Agreement with Thornton.
 2. An executed Exhibit 1, Acceptance of Conditions Statement, which:
 - a. Affirms the acceptance of all conditions or requirements contained in the RFP;
 - b. Contains acknowledgement of all addenda issued; and
 - c. Lists the names of any of the proposing firms' employees who are family members of Thornton employees, officers, board or Council members.
 3. The proposed Exhibit B, Schedule of Charges, which is in Exhibit "2" Agreement, containing the per thousand cost plus other costs for Work. The proposed Schedule of Charges will be the sole basis of payment for the successful firm.
 4. A list of what portion of the Work, if any, will be subcontracted.
 5. A list of at least five (5) references for which similar services have been provided. Include current contact names, addresses, and telephone numbers as well as a description of the job, the quantity of the printing job, and the amount of time from proof to mailing.
 6. An executed Exhibit 3, Reference Authorization and Release Form.
 7. Any other information deemed necessary by the proposing firm.
 8. Note that Exhibit C, Affidavit is not required to be submitted with the Proposal. This exhibit is required only from the selected firm, and only if the selected firm is a sole proprietorship or an individual. If applicable,

the selected firm will submit Exhibit C and the required identification along with the executed Agreement.

9. Please provide the following information or documents in the Proposal submitted as described:
 - a. State the type of press used to produce publications.
 - b. TPRCR Annual Magazine: provide samples using the following specifications:
 - i. OPTION 1: Eighty-eight (88) page sample mockup using 45# Hi-Brite (or equivalent) inside pages and 70# gloss text cover.
 - ii. OPTION 2: Eighty-eight (88) page sample mockup using 60# Velvet or Gloss (or equivalent) inside pages and 100# Velvet or Gloss Text (or equivalent) cover.
 - c. City Voice Newspaper: provide one (1), six (6) page sample mockup using 32# Hi-Brite.
 - d. State the number of business days needed to print the TPRCR Annual Magazine after receiving the final approval of the proof of the publication; and the number of days needed to deliver to Thornton facilities and mailing house.
 - e. State the number of business days needed to print the City Voice Newspaper after receiving the final approval of the proof of the publication; and the number of days needed to deliver to Thornton facilities and mailing house.
 - f. State capability and preference for the format, for delivery of drafts, proofs, and revisions (i.e., e-mail, hardcopy, or FTP).
- C. Submittal of a Proposal shall be taken as prima facie evidence that the proposer has full knowledge of the scope, nature, quality, and quantity of the Work to be performed, and the detailed requirements and conditions under which the Work is to be performed.

EXHIBIT 1

ACCEPTANCE OF CONDITIONS STATEMENT

A. Proposing firm indicates acceptance of the following conditions:

- 1. City of Thornton Charter Section 7.4 prohibits Thornton from making Contracts with firms which employ certain relatives of Thornton employees unless the City Council determines that the making of such a Contract is in Thornton's best interest.

No City Council Member, member of a board or commission, Municipal Judge, City Manager, City Attorney, or employee of the City of Thornton, or any such person's family member, domestic partner, or person assuming a relationship being the substantial equivalent of the above, has an existing or pending, direct or indirect, financial, pecuniary or personal interest in the proposing firm or this Request for Proposal, except as follows (list, if any): _____

- 2. I/we hereby agree to all instructions, terms and conditions, and specifications contained herein.

B. I/we acknowledge the following addenda (list, if any): _____

Proposing Firm Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Submitted By: _____

(Signature)

Title: _____

E-mail: _____

Date: _____

Attest (by officer if corporation) or Notary (if individual): _____

My Commission Expires (if notarized): _____

EXHIBIT 2

GENERAL SERVICE AGREEMENT

This General Service Agreement for Printing of **Thornton Parks, Recreation & Community Programs (“TPRCP”) Annual Magazine and City Voice Newspaper, Project No. 101-21** is made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 20___, by and between the **City of Thornton**, a Colorado home rule municipality, in the State of Colorado (“Thornton”) and _____ (the “Service Provider”). Thornton and Service Provider hereafter may be referred to collectively as, the “Parties” or individually as the “Party.”

I. RECITALS

- A. Thornton has determined that over the term of this Agreement, from time to time, the need will exist for the provisioning of certain services in connection with **Printing of Thornton Parks, Recreation & Community Programs (TPRCP) Annual Magazine and City Voice Newspaper, Project No. 101-21** (the “Project”); and
- B. Service Provider has held itself out to Thornton as having the requisite expertise and experience to perform the required Services for the Project.
- C. Thornton subsequently selected the above named Service Provider to perform the needed services this Project requires.
- D. Service Provider, having been awarded the Project, represents and warrants it is ready, willing and available to perform, using its skills, expertise and experience associated with generally accepted industry standards for Service Provider’s customary services.

For good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

II. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- A. **Description of Services, Work.** Service Provider to print two (2) different publications, a four (4) page City Voice Newspaper and a multi-page TPRCP Annual Magazine, and deliver them to locations specified. Locations include Thornton’s designated mailing house and seven (7) City of Thornton facilities.
- B. **Service Provider Responsibilities, Scope of Services.** Service Provider will furnish all of the labor, supplies and materials, equipment, printing, and any other facilities or resources required to perform and complete the Services described in the attached **Exhibit A**, hereafter also called, “Service Provider’s Scope of Services” the “Services” or “Work.”

C. **Commencement Date, Term.**

1. This Agreement shall commence on Effective Date above and shall terminate on or December 31, 2026, unless terminated earlier by Thornton pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.
2. Service Provider understands that Thornton's obligation after the first year of this Agreement is contingent upon City Council appropriating funds sufficient for the years following the first year. If Thornton's City Council does not appropriate sufficient funds, Thornton may terminate the Agreement without penalty or further obligation in accordance with **Section E, Grounds for Termination.**
3. If a Purchase Order for the Services has been issued by Thornton to Service Provider, and the Services will not be completed before the Agreement's termination date, Thornton, at its reasonable discretion, may direct Service Provider to complete the Work, and the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall survive until the Work is complete to Thornton's satisfaction.
4. Notwithstanding the termination date of this Agreement as described above in Sec. C.1, Thornton in its sole discretion, may extend this Agreement by a written Amendment executed by Thornton's City Manager ("Manager") or Manager's designee(s) for an additional six (6) months to ensure the continuation of all Services\Work while Thornton seeks to solicit other vendor(s) for the same or similar Services\Work. Any such Amendment shall be subject and subordinate to the terms of this Agreement, except as otherwise agreed to in writing and signed by the Parties.

D. **Contract Documents.**

1. The following documents, which includes any exhibit and attachment listed, contained or referenced in the contract documents, by this reference, are incorporated, verbatim, and will hereafter be, the Agreement:
 - a. Approved Amendments to this Agreement;
 - b. This General Service Agreement (together with Exhibits);
2. In the event there is a conflict between any of the above-listed documents, the provisions of the document listed first in order shall govern over those documents listed in descending order in subparagraph D.1 above after the first listed document.
3. Service Provider may need additional documents to perform the required Work and Services, or to clarify certain aspects of the Work and Services, that are not listed in Section D.1 above. Such documents, unless specifically identified as such, are not Contract Documents. These documents, by way of example include, but are not limited to:

- a. The Request for Proposals (including Addenda);
- b. The Service Provider's response to the Request for Proposals;
- c. Other Thornton policies and procedures as applicable.

E. **Personnel**

1. Service Provider shall employ competent Personnel at all times during the performance of the Work. Service Provider shall be responsible for acts and omissions of its Personnel working for Service Provider. Service Provider shall enforce strict discipline and good order among its Personnel performing the Work.
2. The person in charge shall represent Service Provider and communications given to the person in charge shall be as binding as if given to Service Provider. Important communications will be confirmed in writing. Other communications shall be similarly confirmed on written request.
3. Thornton, at any time, may revoke its approval of any person who is not performing in a manner satisfactory to Thornton, and Service Provider shall remove the objectionable person from the Work and replace them with someone acceptable to Thornton.

F. **Compensation.**

1. **Remuneration.** Thornton agrees to pay Service Provider for the satisfactory progression and completion of the Services:
 - a. A sum that is not to exceed ("NTE") an amount of (\$) spell amount Dollars (a "Fixed Fee"); or
 - b. The agreed upon unit prices as set forth in Service Provider's proposal ("Unit Pricing"); or
 - c. The billable hourly rates set forth in the attached **Exhibit B**, Schedule of Charges.

Notwithstanding which prescribed payment method is used, Thornton, in its reasonable discretion, may select one (1) or a combination of the aforementioned payment methods to compensate Service Provider. Likewise, the Parties by written amendment may convert from one (1) approved payment method to another under this Agreement. Service Provider further understands any compensation received from Thornton is subject to a "NTE" amount as provided for in **Exhibit B**.

2. **Purchase Order Required.** No work shall be performed without a Purchase Order from Thornton issued to the Service Provider.

3. Invoicing.

- a. Unless directed otherwise by Thornton's representative, Service Provider shall submit and send a detailed invoice in .pdf format to ap.invoices@ThorntonCo.gov.
- b. Due Date. Compensation shall be due and payable thirty (30) Calendar Days after date of receipt by Thornton of a complete and correct invoice.
- c. Hourly Rate. Payments to Service Provider based on billable hourly rate and eligible reimbursable expenses shall include hourly breakdowns for all personnel and shall show an itemization of other charges.
- d. Required Invoice Information. Each invoice shall reference your assigned Purchase Order Number. Invoices shall also include a summary of the initial Agreement amount, amendments, total Agreement amount, and current billing and payment summaries.

4. Billable Rate Changes.

- a. The billable hourly rates shall remain fixed for, at a minimum, the initial twelve (12) month term, or the first anniversary of the Agreement, whichever one applies ("First Term"). Service Provider may request an increase to the Billable Rate after the First Term and any subsequent Term provided Service Provider gives Thornton written notice a minimum of sixty (60) Calendar Days before the upcoming term.
- b. Under no circumstances shall any billable hourly rate increase exceed the inflation rate based on the Denver-Aurora-Lakewood Consumer Price Index and published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics or as agreed to in writing by Thornton. The revised Billable Rate shall only be effective by written Amendment of this Agreement executed by Thornton.

G. Changes to Service Provider's Scope of Services.

- 1. A change in the Service Provider's Scope of Services shall constitute any change or amendment of Services, which is different from or additional to Service Provider's Scope of Services as defined in **Exhibit A** of this Agreement.
- 2. No change to the Scope of Services, including any requested additional compensation, shall be effective or paid unless authorized by a written

Amendment executed by Thornton's City Manager ("Manager") or Manager's designee(s).

3. Except as expressly provided herein, no agent, employee, or representative of Thornton has the authority to change or modify - directly or by an implied course of action, the Scope of Services or the terms of this Agreement.
4. If Service Provider proceeds without such written authorization, then Service Provider shall be deemed to have waived any claim for additional compensation, including a claim based on a theory of promissory estoppel, unjust enrichment, quantum meruit, or implied Agreement.

H. **Compliance with All Laws and Regulations.**

1. All of the Services performed under this Agreement by Service Provider shall comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, and codes of the United States and the State of Colorado and with the charter, ordinances, and rules and regulations of Thornton.
2. The Service Provider's attention is directed to the fact that all applicable state and federal laws, county and city ordinances, licenses and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over this Agreement and the Services shall apply to this Agreement throughout and they will be deemed to be included in this Agreement the same as though herein written out in full.
3. Worker Status. Pursuant to Colorado law, a Service Provider whose performance of Services involves provision of a service and not provision of a specific end product shall by signature and attestation below certify to the following:
 - a. Service Provider, as of the date of this Agreement or order, does not and shall not knowingly employ or contract with an illegal alien who will perform Services under this Agreement.
 - b. Service Provider shall participate in either the Employment Verification Program (E-Verify Program) created in Public Law 104-208, as amended and expanded in Public Law 108-156, as amended, and jointly administered by the United States Department of Homeland Security and the Social Security Administration, or its successor program, or the Department Program, which is the employment verification program established by the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (the "Department") pursuant to C.R.S. §§ 8-17.5-102(5)(c) in order to confirm the employment eligibility of all employees who are newly hired for employment to perform Services under this Agreement.

- c. Service Provider has confirmed the employment eligibility of all employees who are newly hired for employment to perform Services under this Agreement through participation in either the E-Verify Program or the Department Program.
- d. Service Provider shall not enter into a contract with a subcontractor that fails to certify to Service Provider that the subcontractor shall not knowingly employ or contract with an illegal alien to perform Services under this Agreement.
- e. Service Provider shall not use either the E-Verify Program or the Department Program procedures to undertake pre-employment screening of job applicants while this Agreement is being performed.
- f. Service Provider obtains actual knowledge that a subcontractor performing Services under this Agreement employs or contracts with an illegal alien, Service Provider shall:
 - i. Notify the subcontractor and Thornton within three (3) Calendar Days that Service Provider has actual knowledge that the subcontractor is employing or contracting with an illegal alien; and
 - ii. Terminate the subcontract with the subcontractor if within three (3) Calendar Days of receiving the notice required pursuant to this subparagraph, the subcontractor does not stop employing or contracting with the illegal alien; except that Service Provider shall not terminate the subcontract with the subcontractor if during such three (3) Calendar Days the subcontractor provides information to establish that the subcontractor has not knowingly employed or contracted with an illegal alien.
- g. Service Provider shall comply with any reasonable request by the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment made in the course of an investigation that the Department is undertaking pursuant to the authority established by C.R.S. § 8-17.5-102(5).
- h. If Service Provider violates any provision of this certification, Thornton may terminate this Agreement for breach of Agreement. If this Agreement is so terminated, Service Provider shall be liable for actual and consequential damages suffered by Thornton.
- i. Pursuant to Colorado Law, if a Service Provider's business is a sole proprietorship or Service Provider is a natural person eighteen (18) years of age or older by signature and attestation below hereby agree, upon Notice of Award, to complete and file with Thornton the attached

Exhibit C, Affidavit and provide acceptable identification as described in the Affidavit.

I. Ownership of Work Product.

1. All Services, data, drawings, designs, plans, reports, studies, computer programs (nonproprietary), computer input and output, analyses, tests, maps, surveys, or any other materials ("Work Product") developed by Service Provider shall be the sole and exclusive property of Thornton. Service Provider agrees to transfer the Work Product's copyright, trademark, or other intellectual property rights for no additional cost to Thornton. However, any reuse of Work Product other than for the specific intended purpose of this Agreement by Thornton without written authorization by Service Provider will be at Thornton's risk.
2. Before disposing of any Work Product materials Service Provider shall provide Thornton with a ten (10) Calendar Day written notice indicating it has Work Product materials, to give Thornton a reasonable opportunity to take physical possession of Work Product materials.
3. Aerial photography supplied by Thornton to Service Provider shall not be utilized for any purpose other than to perform the Services on behalf of Thornton.

III. MISCELLANEOUS TERMS

- A. **Indemnification.** To the fullest extent permitted by law, Service Provider agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Thornton, its officers, agents and employees, from and against all liability, judgments, damages or losses which arise out of, result from, or are in any manner connected with the Services to be performed under this Agreement, to the extent it is determined such liability, judgments, damages or losses were caused by the negligent acts, errors, or omissions of Service Provider, any subcontractor of Service Provider, or any officer, employee or agent of Service Provider, or anyone else employed directly or indirectly by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable and will pay to Thornton any expenses incurred by reason of such liability, judgments, damages or losses, including, but not limited to, court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in defending or investigating such claims. Such payments on behalf of Thornton shall be in addition to any and all other legal remedies available to Thornton and shall not be considered Thornton's exclusive remedy.
- B. **Insurance.** The Service Provider agrees to procure and maintain in force during the term of this Agreement, at its own cost, the following coverages:
1. **Worker's Compensation Insurance.** Workers' Compensation Insurance as required by the Labor Code of the State of Colorado and Employer's Liability

Insurance. Statutory limits are required. Evidence of qualified self-insured status may be substituted.

2.	<u>Commercial General Liability Insurance</u>	(MINIMUM LIMITS)
	a. Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000
	b. Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	\$1,000,000
	c. Personal and Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000
	d. General Aggregate	\$1,000,000

The policy shall include coverage protecting against bodily injury, property damage, and personal injury claims arising from the exposures of (i) premises-operations; (ii) products and completed operations including materials designed, furnished, and/or modified in any way by Service Provider; (iii) independent subcontractors; (iv) contractual liability risk covering the indemnity obligations set forth in this Agreement; and (v) where applicable, liability resulting from explosion, collapse, or underground exposures. The coverage shall not exclude faulty workmanship as a covered occurrence.

If the above insurance is written on a claims-made form, it shall continue for three (3) years following termination of this Agreement. The insurance shall provide for a retroactive date of placement prior to or coinciding with the effective date of this Agreement.

3. Automobile Liability Insurance. Automobile Liability Insurance with minimum combined single limits for bodily injury and property damage of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for any one (1) occurrence. This insurance will insure against bodily injury and/or property damage arising out of the Service Provider's operation, maintenance, use, loading or unloading of any auto including owned, non-owned, hired, and employee autos.

4. Additional Insured. The Service Provider shall name Thornton, its officers, agents, and employees as additional insureds with respect to the Commercial General Liability and Auto Liability coverages required herein.

5. Certificates of Insurance. A Certificate of Insurance shall be completed and forwarded, along with the Additional Insured Endorsement, to Thornton by the Service Provider's Insurance Agent(s) as evidence that policies providing the required coverages, conditions, and minimum limits are in full force and effect and shall be subject to review and approval by Thornton prior to commencement of any Services under this Agreement. The initial completed Certificate of Insurance and Additional Insured Endorsement shall include the Service Provider's e-mail address for future inquires and updates, and shall be sent to:

City of Thornton
Attention: Carol Arellano, Buyer I
9500 Civic Center Drive
Thornton, CO 80229-4326

Subsequent Certificates of Insurance indicating renewal of coverage(s) shall be sent to Thornton's Risk Manager at certificatesofinsurance@ThorntonCo.gov no later than thirty (30) Calendar Days prior to the expiration date along with the renewal Additional Insured Endorsement, and shall indicate "Renewal COI" and the Project Number in the e-mail subject line. Thornton reserves the right to request and receive a certified copy of any policy and any endorsement thereto. Service Provider agrees to execute any and all documents necessary to allow Thornton access to any and all required insurance policies and endorsements pertaining to this particular Project.

6. Failure to Insure. Failure on the part of the Service Provider or subcontractor to procure or maintain policies providing the required coverages, conditions, and minimum limits **shall constitute a material breach of Agreement upon which Thornton may immediately terminate this Agreement**, or at its discretion, Thornton may procure, or renew any such policy, or any extended reporting period thereto, and may pay any and all premiums in connection therewith, and all monies so paid by Thornton shall be repaid by Service Provider to Thornton upon demand, or Thornton may offset the cost of the premiums against any monies due to Service Provider from Thornton.

7. Other Insurance Requirements.
 - a. Service Provider shall procure and maintain and shall cause any subcontractor of the Service Provider to procure and maintain the minimum insurance coverages listed herein. Such coverages shall be procured and maintained with forms and insurers acceptable to Thornton. All coverages shall be continuously maintained to cover all liability, claims, demands, and other obligations assumed by the Service Provider pursuant to this section. The coverage shall not exclude faulty workmanship as a covered occurrence. In the case of any claims-made policy, the necessary retroactive dates and extended reporting periods shall be procured to maintain such continuous coverage.

 - b. Every policy required above shall be primary insurance and any insurance carried by Thornton, its officers, or its employees shall be excess and not contributory insurance to that provided by the Service Provider. The Service Provider shall be solely responsible for any deductible losses under the policies required above.

 - c. Service Provider shall not be relieved of any liability, claims, demands, or other obligations assumed pursuant to this Agreement by reason of its failure to procure and maintain insurance, or by reason of its failure to procure or maintain insurance in sufficient amounts, durations, or types.

- d. All policies shall include a provision that the coverages afforded under the policies shall not be canceled or materially changed prior to the natural termination date or until at least thirty (30) Calendar Days prior written notice has been sent to Thornton. The Certificate(s) shall indicate the form used, if any, under which this provision is included.

C. **Independent Contractor.**

1. It is understood and agreed by and between the Parties that the status of the Service Provider shall be that of an independent contractor and of a person retained on a contractual basis to perform professional and/or technical services for limited periods of time and it is not intended, nor shall it be construed, that the Service Provider is an employee or officer of Thornton under Chapter VII of the City Charter, or Chapter 54 of the City Code, or for any purpose whatsoever.
2. Without limiting the foregoing, the Parties hereby specifically acknowledge that **the Service Provider is not entitled to unemployment insurance benefits unless unemployment compensation coverage is provided by the Service Provider or some other entity besides Thornton, that the Service Provider is not entitled to Workers' Compensation benefits from Thornton and that the Service Provider is obligated to pay federal and state income tax on any monies earned pursuant to this Agreement.** The Parties further acknowledge that the provisions of this paragraph are consistent with the Service Provider's insurance obligations that are set forth in this Agreement.

- D. **Governmental Immunity.** The Parties hereto understand and agree that Thornton, its officers, and its employees, are relying on, and do not waive or intend to waive by any provision of this Agreement, the monetary limitations or any other rights, immunities and protections provided by the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, C.R.S. 24-10-101 et seq., as from time to time amended, or otherwise available to Thornton, its agents, officers, or employees.

E. **Grounds for Termination.**

1. **Termination for Convenience by Thornton.** In the event this Agreement is terminated for convenience, Thornton shall issue a written Notice to Terminate and Service Provider will be paid for all Services previously authorized and completed up to the date of Termination. Service Provider shall not be entitled to profit or overhead on uncompleted Services.
2. **Termination for Cause.** If Service Provider substantially or materially breaches the terms of this Agreement, or defaults in fulfilling the applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be cause to terminate this Agreement and Thornton may seek to exercise all available legal and/or equitable remedies.

3. **Termination for Non-Appropriations.** In the event that Thornton City Council fails to appropriate funds for the continuation of this Agreement for any fiscal year past the initial year, Thornton may, at the beginning of the fiscal year for which the City Council does not appropriate such funds and upon prior written notice as provided for, may terminate this Agreement without penalty and be released of further obligations.

F. **Notice.** Any notice or communication between Service Provider and Thornton which may be required, or which may be given, under the terms of this Agreement shall be in writing, and shall be deemed to have been sufficiently given when directly presented or sent pre-paid, first class, United States mail, addressed as follows:

THORNTON: City of Thornton
Attention: Megan deGrood, CPPB, Purchasing Manager
9500 Civic Center Drive
Thornton, CO 80229-4326

SERVICE PROVIDER: _____
Attention: _____

G. **Applicable Law, Venue, Statute of Limitations.** This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Colorado. Any legal action concerning the provisions hereof shall be brought in the District Court, County of Adams, State of Colorado. Any action arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the Services asserted by the Service Provider against Thornton shall be brought within two (2) years from when the action accrued, pursuant to C.R.S. § 13-80-102(h).

H. **Assignment.** Service Provider agrees not to assign, pledge, or transfer its duties and rights in this Agreement, in whole or in part, without first obtaining the written consent of the Manager.

I. **No Waiver of Rights.** No assent, expressed or implied, to any breach of any one (1) or more of the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be deemed to be or taken to be by Thornton a waiver of any subsequent breach of any such terms and conditions.

J. **Inspection of Records.** In connection with the Services performed hereunder, Thornton and any of its duly authorized representatives shall have access to all of Service Provider's books, documents, papers, and any other records of Service Provider which relate to the Services. Service Provider further agrees that such records shall contain information concerning the personnel who performed the Services, the specific tasks they performed, and the hours they worked. Service Provider shall retain these records for three (3) years after termination of this Agreement.

- K. **Conflict of Interest.** Service Provider agrees that it and its subsidiaries, affiliates, subcontractors, principals, or employees shall not engage in any transaction, activity, or conduct which would result in a conflict of interest. Service Provider represents that it has disclosed any and all current or potential conflicts of interest. A conflict of interest shall include transactions, activities, or conduct that would affect the judgment, actions, or services of Service Provider by placing Service Provider's own interests, or the interest of any party with whom Service Provider has a contractual arrangement, in conflict with those of Thornton. Thornton, in its sole discretion, will determine the existence of a conflict of interest and may terminate this Agreement in the event such a conflict exists after it has given Service Provider written notice that describes the conflict. Service Provider shall have twenty (20) Calendar Days after the notice is received to eliminate or cure the conflict of interest in a manner acceptable to Thornton.
- L. **Coordination of Services.** Service Provider shall fully coordinate its services with other service providers, contractors, or other entities performing Services on the Project that interfaces with or is affected in any way by Service Provider's services, and with any interested city or other governmental agencies.
- M. **Non-Discrimination.** Service Provider, its agents, employees, and subcontractors shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, age, gender, religion, or mental or physical disability in any policy or practice.
- N. **Advertising, Public Disclosure.** Service Provider shall not include any reference to this Agreement or to Services performed hereunder in any of its advertising or public relations materials without first obtaining the written approval of the Manager or his designee.
- O. **Time is of The Essence.** The Parties agree that in the performance of the terms and requirements of this Agreement by Service Provider that time is of the essence.
- P. **Inurement.** The rights and obligations of the Parties set forth herein shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted under this Agreement.
- Q. **Headings.** The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- R. **Joint Venture.** If a Joint Venture, participants shall be jointly and severally liable to Thornton for the performance of all duties and obligations of Service Provider set forth in this Agreement.
- S. **Taxes and Licenses.** Service Provider shall promptly pay, when they are due, all taxes, excises, license fees, and permit fees of whatever nature applicable to the services and shall take out and keep current all required municipal, county, state, or federal licenses required to perform the work. Service Provider shall furnish Thornton, upon request, duplicate receipts or other satisfactory evidence showing or

certifying to the proper payment of all required licenses and taxes. Service Provider shall promptly pay, when due, all bills, debts, and obligations it incurs performing the Services and allow no lien, mortgage, judgment, or execution to be filed against land, facilities, or improvements owned by Thornton.

- T. **Severability.** In the event any of the provisions, or applications thereof, of this Agreement are held to be unenforceable or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions, or applications thereof, shall not be affected.
- U. **No Third Party Beneficiaries.** The enforcement of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and all rights of action relating to such enforcement, shall be strictly reserved to Thornton and Service Provider nothing contained in this Agreement shall give or allow any such claim or right of action by any other or third person on such Agreement. It is the express intention of Thornton and Service Provider that subcontractors and any other persons other than Thornton or Service Provider receiving any benefits from this Agreement shall be deemed to be incidental, and not intended, beneficiaries only.
- W. **Electronic Signatures and Electronic Records.** The Parties consent to the use of electronic signatures. The Agreement, and any other documents requiring a signature hereunder, may be signed electronically by the Parties in the manner specified by any applicable City regulation, rule, and/or ordinance. The Parties agree not to deny the legal effect or enforceability of the Agreement solely because it is in electronic form or because an electronic record was used in its formation. The Parties agree not to object to the admissibility of the Agreement in the form of an electronic record, or a paper copy of an electronic document, or a paper copy of a document bearing an electronic signature, on the ground that it is an electronic record or electronic signature or that it is not in its original form or is not an original.
- X. **Entire Agreement.** The Parties acknowledge and agree that the provisions contained herein constitute this entire Agreement and that all representations made by any officer, agent, or employee of the respective Parties unless included herein are null and void and of no effect. No alterations, amendments, changes, or modifications to this Agreement, except those that are expressly reserved herein to the Manager or his designee, shall be valid unless they are contained in an instrument that is executed by the Parties with the same formality as this Agreement.

This Agreement is expressly subject to and will not become effective or binding on Thornton until it is fully approved and executed by Thornton.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
William A. Tuthill III, Interim City Attorney

CITY OF THORNTON, COLORADO:

By: _____
_____, _____ City Attorney

Kimberly Newhart
Finance Director

ATTEST:

CITY OF THORNTON, COLORADO:

Kristen N. Rosenbaum, City Clerk

Sean Saddler, PE
Contracts and Purchasing Director

ATTEST FOR FIRM SIGNATURE: (If corporation)	INSERT FIRM NAME:
_____ Signature	_____ Signature
_____ Print Name	_____ Print Name
_____ Title	_____ Title

EXHIBIT A

SERVICE PROVIDER'S SCOPE OF SERVICES

1. For 2021, Service Provider shall print one (1) issue per year of the TPRCP Annual Magazine and six (6) issues per year of the City Voice Newspaper and deliver as directed to Thornton's facilities and designated mailing house. Quantities for each issue to be printed shall be provided by Thornton's Project Manager at the time of issue preparation.
2. Service Provider shall produce and provide a color proof of both the cover and inside pages to Thornton's Project Manager after receiving the initial copy of the TPRCP Annual Magazine or City Voice Newspaper within seven (7) Calendar Days, with no exception for holidays that occur during the seven (7) Calendar Days. The proof shall be in the format to which both Parties have agreed at time of award.
3. Thornton's Project Manager shall review the proof provided by Service Provider and return to Service Provider within two (2) business days. Service Provider shall make modifications requested by Thornton's Project Manager; and provide a final copy of the TPRCP Annual Magazine or City Voice Newspaper to Thornton's Project Manager within two (2) business days.
4. Publication dates for 2021 shall be scheduled after award with the agreement of both Parties; and as directed by Thornton's Project Manager. Publication dates for subsequent years will be identified at the time of the annual renewal of the Agreement.
5. Overrun shall not exceed ten percent (10%).
6. Service Provider shall deliver final printed issues of the TPRCP Annual Magazine and the City Voice Newspaper as defined in the table below. Service Provider shall agree to modifications to this requirement as requested by Thornton's Project Manager. Delivery shall be made to the following locations:

Facility and Address	Quantity City Voice Newspaper	Quantity TPRCP Magazine	Comments
Community Connections 9471 Dorothy Blvd. Thornton, CO 90229	NA	90	<i>Delivered through front entrance to front desk area.</i>
Thornton Active Adult Center 11181 Colorado Blvd. Thornton, CO 80233	100	210	<i>Delivered through front entrance to front desk area.</i>

Facility and Address	Quantity City Voice Newspaper	Quantity TPRCP Magazine	Comments
Thornton Community Center 2211 Eppinger Boulevard Thornton, CO 80229	100	90	<i>Delivered through front entrance to front desk area.</i>
Thornton City Hall Attn: Communications, Gina or Erika 9500 Civic Center Drive Thornton, CO 80229 303-538-7575 Gina 303-538-7256 Erika	120	90	<i>Delivered to Mailroom - Reprographics area (back of building; lower level, Pit area).</i>
Carpenter Recreation Center 11151 Colorado Boulevard Thornton, CO 80233	200	210	<i>Delivered through front entrance to front desk area.</i>
Trail Winds Recreation Center 13495 Holly Street Thornton, CO 80602	200	300	<i>Delivered through front entrance to front desk area.</i>
Thornton Arts & Culture Center 9209 Dorothy Boulevard Thornton, CO 80229	NA	90	<i>Delivered through front entrance and leave on half wall in the entryway.</i>
Thornton's Designated Mailing House: Wizbang Solutions 6747 East 50 th Avenue Commerce City, CO 80022	Remainder of publications	Remainder of publications	<i>Service Provider is responsible for scheduling an appointment with Thornton's mailing house.</i>

7. Service Provider shall have capability to produce publications based on the following specifications.

TPRCP Annual Magazine Option 1:

Description	Specification	Meets/Does Not Meet	Comments
Finished Size	8.25" W x 10.5" H		
Cover	2-sided, full color, full bleed on 70# gloss text		
Paper Inside Publication	45# Hi-Brite or equivalent		
Color Inside Publication	4 color, full bleed and no bleed		
Binding/Finishing	Saddle stitch binding		

Description	Specification	Meets/Does Not Meet	Comments
Proof's	Color proof of cover and inside pages		
Number of Annual Issues	One (1)		
Quantity per Issue	Fifty-four thousand (54,000), fifty-five thousand (55,000), or fifty-six thousand (56,000)		
Number of Pages	Issue sizes include cover, plus eighty-eight (88) pages, or ninety-six (96) pages.		

TPRCP Annual Magazine Option 2:

Description	Specification	Meets/Does Not Meet	Comments
Finished Size	8.25" W x 10.5" H		
Cover	2-sided, full color, full bleed on 100# Velvet or Gloss text (or equivalent)		
Paper Inside Publication	60# Velvet or Gloss (or equivalent)		
Color Inside Publication	4 color, full bleed and no bleed		
Binding/Finishing	Perfect Bound		
Proof's	Color proof of cover and inside pages		
Number of Annual Issues	One (1)		
Quantity per Issue	Fifty-four thousand (54,000), fifty-five thousand (55,000), or fifty-six thousand (56,000)		
Number of Pages	Issue sizes include cover, plus eighty-eight (88) pages or ninety-six (96) pages.		

City Voice Newspaper:

Description	Specification	Meets/Does Not Meet	Comments
Finished Size	10.5" x 15"		
Binding/Finishing	¼ fold		
Paper Stock	32# Hi-Brite		
Color - OPTION 1	Full bleed		
Color - OPTION 2	No bleed		
Number of Annual Issues	Six (6)		
Quantity per Issue	Fifty-nine thousand (59,000) copies		
Number of Pages	Issue sizes include four (4) pages or eight (8) pages		
Proof's	One (1) color proof		

EXHIBIT "B"

SCHEDULE OF CHARGES

All prices contained in Exhibit "B" Schedule of Charges are based on specifications and Work as defined in Exhibit "A" Service Provider's Scope of Work and specifications.

TPRCP Annual Magazine, full color cover:

Description	Number of Pages plus cover	Qty.	Unit cost per thousand – Option 1*	Unit cost per thousand – Option 2*	Extended Cost Option 1	Extended Cost Option 2
45# Hi-Brite, full bleed	88	54,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Hi-Brite, no bleed	88	54,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, full bleed	88	54,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, no bleed	88	54,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Hi-Brite, full bleed	88	55,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Hi-Brite, no bleed	88	55,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, full bleed	88	55,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, no bleed	88	55,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Hi-Brite, full bleed	88	56,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Hi-Brite, no bleed	88	56,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, full bleed	88	56,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, no bleed	88	56,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Hi-Brite, full bleed	96	54,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Hi-Brite, no bleed	96	54,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, full bleed	96	54,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, no bleed	96	54,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Hi-Brite, full bleed	96	55,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Hi-Brite, no bleed	96	55,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, full bleed	96	55,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, no bleed	96	55,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Hi-Brite, full bleed	96	56,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Hi-Brite, no bleed	96	56,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, full bleed	96	56,000	/m	/m	\$	\$
45# Equivalent, no bleed	96	56,000	/m	/m	\$	\$

Description	Number of Pages plus cover	Qty.	Unit cost per thousand – Option 1*	Unit cost per thousand – Option 2*	Extended Cost Option 1	Extended Cost Option 2
Charge to correct proof if Thornton's error			\$ /hr	\$ /hr		
Charge for each additional proof after original, if required by Thornton's Project Manager			\$ /ea	\$ /ea		
Other Charges: List below.						

*Unit cost shall include price to produce original proof and delivery to mail processing vendor and City of Thornton locations.

City Voice Newspaper:

Description	Number of Pages	Quantity	Unit cost per thousand*	Extended Cost
32# Hi-Brite, full bleed	4	59,000	/m	\$
32# Hi-Brite, no bleed	4	59,000	/m	\$
32# Hi-Brite, full bleed	8	59,000	/m	\$
32# Hi-Brite, no bleed	8	59,000	/m	\$
Charge to correct proof if Thornton's error			\$ /hr	
Charge for each additional proof after original, if required by Thornton's Project Manager			\$ /ea	
Other Charges: List below.				

*Unit cost shall include price to produce original proof and delivery to mail processing vendor and City of Thornton locations.

EXHIBIT C

AFFIDAVIT

I, _____, swear or affirm under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Colorado that:

Check Only One

- I am a United States citizen, **OR**
- I am a Permanent Resident of the United States, **OR**
- I am lawfully present in the United States pursuant to federal law.

I understand that this sworn statement is required by law because I have applied for a public benefit. I understand that state law requires me to provide proof that I am lawfully present in the United States prior to receipt of this public benefit. I further acknowledge that making a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in this sworn Affidavit is punishable under the criminal laws of Colorado as perjury in the second degree under Colorado Revised Statute 18-8-503 and it shall constitute a separate criminal offense each time a public benefit is fraudulently received.

Signature

Date

I, _____, City of Thornton employee, observed the identification supplied by the above named individual and affirm that it appears to be valid and is of the following form:

CHECK ONLY ONE

- Colorado Driver's License or state issued identification card.
- United States Military or Military Dependent's Card.
- Merchant Mariner Card.
- Native American Tribal Document.
- Valid Driver's License or state issued identification card bearing applicant's photograph issued by one of the following (all states are not listed here; only those that verify lawful presence): Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, New

Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

____ Certificate verifying naturalized status issued by an authorized agency of the United States bearing Applicant's intact photograph impressed with the raised embossed seal of the issuing agency.

____ Certificate verifying United States citizenship issued by an authorized agency of the United States bearing Applicant's intact photograph impressed with the raised embossed seal of the issuing agency.

____ Valid immigration documents demonstrating Lawful Presence and verified through the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements, administered by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services of the Department of Homeland Security. Valid Immigration documents are as follows:

- Unexpired Foreign Passport bearing an unexpired "Processed for I-551" stamp or with an attached unexpired "Temporary I-551" visa.
- Unexpired Foreign Passport accompanied by an "I-94" indicating a specific future "until" date.
- "I-94" with refugee or asylum status.
- Unexpired "Resident Alien" card, "Permanent Resident" card, "Temporary Resident" card, or "Employment Authorization" card.

Signature

Date

EXHIBIT 3

REFERENCE AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE FORM

To: <leave blank>

By: _____, A Corporation
(Proposing firm) _____, A Partnership whose address is _____
An Individual

Proposing firm has submitted a sealed Proposal to the City of Thornton (Thornton) for Printing Services for the TPRCP Annual Magazine and City Voice Newspaper, Project No. 101-21.

Proposing firm hereby authorizes Thornton to perform such investigation of proposing firm as Thornton deems necessary to establish the qualifications, responsibility, trustworthiness, and financial ability of the proposing firm. By its signature hereon, the proposing firm authorizes Thornton to obtain reference information concerning the proposing firm and releases the party providing such information named above and Thornton from any and all liability to the proposing firm as a result of any reference information provided.

Proposing firm further authorizes Thornton to discuss and release any and all information regarding the Proposing firm's performance on its forthcoming services related to this project or other past projects upon receiving a request for such information. Proposing firm releases Thornton from any and all liability associated with such a release of information.

Proposing firm further waives any right to receive copies of reference information provided to Thornton. A copy or facsimile of this executed Reference Authorization and Release Form may be used with the same effectiveness as an original.

By: _____
Signature

Title: _____

Date: _____

IX. ATTACHMENTS

- Sample “1” Thornton Parks, Recreation, & Community Programs Annual Magazine
- Sample “2” City Voice Newspaper

SAMPLE "1"

**THORNTON PARKS, RECREATION, & COMMUNITY PROGRAMS
ANNUAL MAGAZINE**

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THORNTON CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

MAYOR



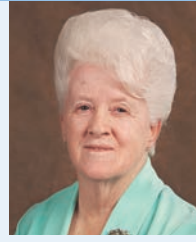
JAN KULMANN
City 303-538-7531
Cell 720-201-6155
jan.kulmann@ThorntonCO.gov

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Active Adult Center	303-255-7850
Animal Control	720-977-5250
Arts & Culture Center	720-977-5880
Building Permits & Inspection	303-538-7250
Business Assistance	303-538-7605
Carpenter Recreation Center	303-255-7800
City Clerk's Office	303-538-7230
City Council & Mayor	303-538-7002
City Main Line.....	303-538-7200
City Manager's Office	303-538-7002
Code Compliance	303-538-7517
Communications	303-538-7279
Community Center	303-255-7830
Community Connections	720-977-5800
Fire Administration	303-538-7602
Human Resources	303-538-7245
Municipal Court	720-977-5400
Parks & Forestry	303-255-7833
Parks, Recreation & Community Programs.....	303-538-PARK
Police (non-emergency)	720-977-5150
Pothole Repair.....	720-977-6464
Recreation Program Cancellation Line.....	720-977-5908
Snow & Ice Control	720-977-6464
Street Sweeping	720-977-6464
Thorncreek Golf Course.....	303-450-7055
Trail Winds Recreation Center.....	720-977-5700
Trash & Recycling	720-977-6200
Utilities (Water, Sewer)	720-977-6500
Utility Billing	303-538-7370
Volunteer Hotline	720-977-5760
Voter Registration	303-538-7230
Water Quality	303-255-7770

City Council meetings begin at 7 p.m. at Thornton City Hall Council Chambers and are also televised live on KTTV-8, Comcast channel 8. City Council meetings are typically held on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Please go to ThorntonCO.gov and the Community Calendar for current information. If you have a disability and require assistance to attend and participate in these meetings, call 303-538-7245.

WARD 1



SHERRY GOODMAN
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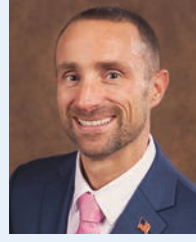


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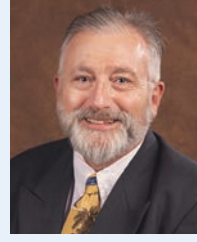


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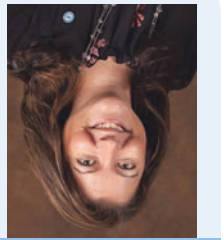
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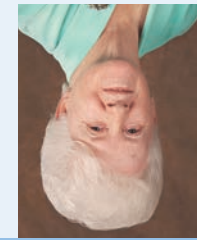


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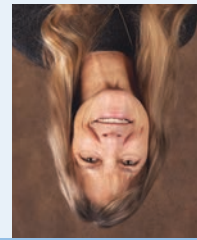
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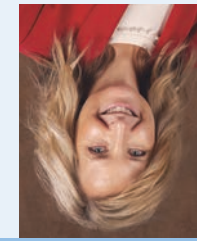


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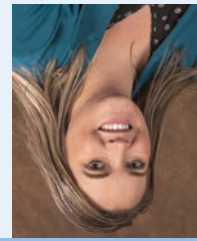


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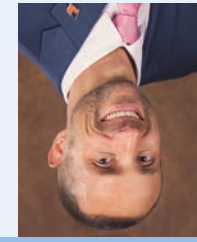


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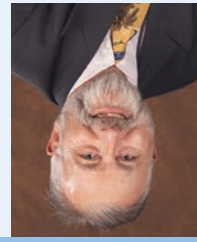


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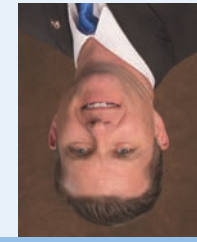


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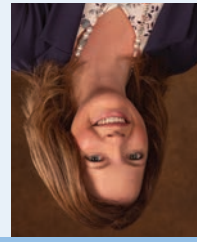


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**2019 and 2020
National Gold Medal
finalist in the Class III
(75,001-150,000)
population category.**

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Gold Medal Award program honors communities in the United States that demonstrate excellence in parks and recreation through long-range planning, resource management, volunteerism, environmental stewardship, program development, professional development and agency recognition.

TPRCP INCLUSION POLICY
We include people of all abilities in our Parks, Recreation and Community Programs. We strive to not only meet the requirements of the ADA but to create a welcoming and supportive community. If there is a program that you would like to participate in but require accommodation, contact AIR Coordinator, Becky Post, CTRS at 720-977-5702 or becky.post@ThorntonCO.gov.



Thornton Parks, Recreation & Community Programs (TPRCP) is an essential service department for the city of Thornton and its residents. Our staff is committed to offering the best in all levels of service from the recreation centers to the golf course, and is instrumental in maintaining our parks, programs, facilities, and amenities.

The department is comprised of eight Divisions—Projects & Planning, Parks, Recreation, Arts and Culture, Active Adults, Community Connections, Community Engagement, and Administration. Projects & Planning oversees and manages our capital projects program. We are very thankful to the community for supporting a dedicated 0.25% sales tax for parks and recreation that was last renewed to run through 2038, which pays for these improvements. The Parks Division manages the day-to-day operations of the parks, including golf course maintenance, forestry, horticulture, sports fields, and landscaping. Their handiwork is visible all across the city, year-round.

A GLOBAL SHIFT

As an integral part of the city of Thornton and the lives of its residents, TPRCP was affected by the novel coronavirus in much of the same ways as the rest of the world. COVID-19 has thrown serious challenges at our ability to enjoy parks, engage in social recreation activities and participate in community programs. This is largely because the primary language of our engagement at TPRCP is through social interaction. For many of us,

interacting with others is an essential part of play, recreation and enjoying the outdoors. While some of this can be done virtually or in isolation, physical distancing creates a disconnect which challenges our sense of belonging to the community. The coronavirus of late 2019 and early 2020 is shaping a new reality for how we all access parks, recreation and community programs. It is requiring us to face change and develop a new way of doing things that previously required little thought.

Thornton Parks, Recreation & Community Programs has been a National Recreation & Parks Association Gold Medal Award finalist two years running!



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Learn about TPRCP offerings.
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October 17 • 9-11:30 a.m.
October 24 • 9-11:30 a.m.
Visit thorntonparks.com for details!

TPRCP is a department that is working to continue to be effective and accountable, while staying focused on social equity, health and wellness. Our goal is to achieve all this as we act as good stewards of the environment and the tax dollar. We are showcasing that stewardship by providing the value inherent in these places and programs, and addressing the changes that are needed to continue providing services that are critical to our community's well-being. Each division within the department has needed to pivot in order to adapt to this global shift.

ACTIVE ADULT CENTER

The impact of COVID-19 has deeply affected the population served by the Active Adult Center (AAC) and all older adults in our community. With senior adults already challenged by feelings of isolation under normal circumstances, the coronavirus has only intensified that isolation. Older adults' challenges are exacerbated by factors like compromised health, a shift to more technical ways of communicating, additional limitations on their ability to interact with others, and most sadly, how COVID-19 disproportionately affects their peer group. To address these challenges, staff reached out via social engagement calls, bringing enjoyment and connection to participants on both sides of the conversation. Residents were also still able to participate with AAC programs and services, due to the committed staff's ability to rise to the challenge of finding alternative ways of providing support. This population, however, although vulnerable during this time, is one of the most resilient groups to be faced with such challenges as demonstrated by their ability to support each other and provide hope and perspective that life will go on. Our active adult community checks on their neighbors, supports their family members from afar, makes masks for strangers and understands the value of connection. They are thankful and strong despite the separation and we look forward to seeing them again.

The new Active Adult Center was recently opened this summer. The new

facility represents a space for a fresh start and the opportunity for AAC staff to welcome the community they serve into an adapted way of life, with open arms. The seniors and active adults of Thornton are a part of the community that can often be overlooked, but TPRCP is committed to acknowledging their value and providing support.

ARTS & CULTURE

Arts and Culture has adjusted to Covid-19 by going outdoors to present more of their programs in city parks and neighborhoods in the form of concerts and mobile art trucks. The staff has also shifted program content online by sharing art exhibits, camps, classes and music performances on the ArtsThornton social media platforms and website. The Thornton Arts and Culture Center (TACC) is open with new hours to support safe public access to new exhibits in the OZ Gallery. Additionally, Arts and Culture continues to support our local artists and arts organizations by making the TACC available to record and stream their exhibits and performances.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Since the inception of Community Connections, needs have never been greater. Unemployment has resulted in wage loss, making it challenging for families to afford rents, mortgages, utilities, food and beyond. Fear, anxiety and isolation have impacted the mental wellbeing of many of us. TPRCP is committed to ensuring that those in need do not have to navigate this uncharted territory alone. Community Connections is the community's resource center and staff are still available to serve. Our bilingual English/Spanish staff can meet with you by phone, email or Zoom to learn about individual needs and to present personalized options. Staff continue to process applications for water assistance and minor home repair program. Community Connections is implementing new processes to keep programs going strong including this year's farmers markets which will feature physical distancing practices but still provide the fresh and affordable produce the community has come



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to expect from our markets. At the Farmers Markets visitors can receive double SNAP dollars, WIC coupons, and replacement bus passes for those that take the bus to reach the fairs. You may contact Community Connections at 720-977-5800 or Connections@ThorntonCO.gov.

PARKS

Parks and recreation activities are part of the poetry of life. That which gives us joy, pleasure and meaning. The pandemic has proven that parks are essential, as one of the only places open for respite, relaxation and rejuvenation. A particular challenge for the Parks Division was that shelter-in-place occurred during one of the busiest months for parks maintenance. But in contrast to that challenge, COVID-19 has provided the opportunity to slow down and focus on those life events which are the most meaningful to us. As the parks fill up with families taking daily walks together, the critical importance of making these open spaces, equally available to all people, becomes more apparent. Coming together in public spaces allows for a rich experience and opportunity to stimulate cultural and economic growth. Parks provide an opportunity to recognize the demands of those with special needs, including those who play differently. Parks acknowledge the use of different languages, both spoken and unspoken, to communicate. Parks provide an equal access to all that is critical to the quality of life of individuals, and society as a whole.

The future is still forming. The parks and recreation industry wants to play a role in creating and shaping that future, by doing what we do best and helping people live their lives to the fullest. Parks professionals are in the business of improving lives through the creation of diverse communities, improving mental and physical health for all our residents. We are increasingly playing a vital role in environmental sustainability efforts. Parks do and will play a critical role in getting us back to the best of the past and lead society into the better future, for us all.

PROJECTS & PLANNING

The Projects & Planning Division has also traversed the tricky landscape of COVID-19. Like a great number of professionals working through the pandemic, they have adapted to the new reality of working remotely and having virtual meetings with both internal and external stakeholders. The work of Projects & Planning faces similar challenges of using virtual platforms to review projects, coordinate work on designs and communicate progress amongst design and consulting teams. An added layer of creativity has become necessary in efforts to continue to engage the public in design processes. The division routinely works to gather public input, so that the public's concerns, questions, and needs inform project designs. Engaging the public and community remotely allows city staff and the public participants to interact from their homes or workplace in an effort to meet the Safer-in-Place requirements and keep the community safe while providing input. Through the pandemic, construction has continued, including the installation of new play equipment at the Skylake Park playground and Colony Park playground. In addition, four dedicated outdoor pickleball courts at Woodglen-Brookshire Park were completed and have been busy since their opening.

RECREATION

As a largely public-facing and interactive division, recreation programs and facilities were significantly impacted by the pandemic in numerous ways. Recreation has long provided the community with ways to be physically and mentally healthy, as well as ways to be socially engaged. These avenues to health and well-being were initially blocked by COVID-19. Recreation staff adapted to overcome these barriers by shifting classes online and sharing their expertise in a virtual setting. In addition, staff contributed by organizing food drives, conducting social engagement calls, visiting senior facilities and serving as Parks Ambassadors. Recreation's contributions show that TPRCP provides value that is reflective of community need. As the shift




happens for more staggered re-opening of facilities, staff will continue to work hard to ensure that there is as much continuity of programs and safe spaces as possible.

GOING FORWARD

In retrospect, the normal that we seek is an ever-shifting landscape. Our country continues to be challenged in terms of social equity, conservation and overall health and wellness. The empirical data shows this to be the case. There are, however, some pockets of progress that are allowing our communities to thrive. We need to do better as a society and in our shared communities. Our department intends to be a leader in this transformative effort.

It is our responsibility to take good care of what we have already assembled and built, by being innovative and creative. We must adequately assess risks to overcome all the hurdles and remove barriers in our community. This adaptation in Parks, Recreation & Community Programs is necessary. Our new reality is the opportunity to intentionally push the envelope of change.

While the pandemic created a significant number of challenges, it also presents us with opportunities to adapt and improve. All our programs will continue to grow and are being highlighted in this inaugural issue of Thornton Magazine. The detailed program offerings will be contained in individual booklets available at all our city and partner sites (and online at thorntonparks.com). You will not find a greater value than what we have to offer at Thornton Parks, Recreation & Community Programs. We look forward to engaging you and serving you. Furthermore, we are dedicated to making Thornton the best place to live, work, play and retire not only in Colorado, but in the region, and nationally. Thank you for your support.

For more information on our department offerings, please visit our website at thorntonparks.com. 

TPRCP GOALS FOR THE FUTURE

GREATER GOOD

Run programs that offer value to a greater audience. Focus on amenities and facilities that help bridge the cultural and economic gaps. Show leadership through innovation and acceptance of change.

INNOVATION

Be leaders in innovation and reward creative efforts, even when encountering resistance. Resilience in moving away from ineffective efforts because we are attached to familiar and safe practices. Continually reinventing ourselves to remain an essential service.

INVESTMENT IN EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE

Further invest in what we have and learn to adopt new ways of operations. Adapt principles that move us forward. Practice prudent economics to continue to grow and stay relevant.

INCREASE REVENUE SOURCES

Offer cost effective programs while being inclusive in terms of access and participation. Explore alternative revenue sources through a well thought out and practical cost recovery model founded on built-in flexibility and strength. Cost recovery that acts as a guide to improve quality, access, service, and the facilities, and impart continuous improvement to all that we do and offer.

CREATE GENUINE ADVOCACY

Educate the community on the value and relevancy of Parks and Recreation and Community Programs. Engage employees and elected officials in a higher level of advocacy and the pursuit of excellence.

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

Focus on creating partnerships that have a rate of return and are mutually beneficial. Take risks and show leadership in trying new things and paving our own way. Forge new partnerships that fold in all populations and truly foster inclusive community.

MAKE AN IMPACT & SHARE THE SUCCESSES

Strive to be impactful to all populations. Share our wonderful and empirically based story of success—as an essential entity that creates community, saves lives, increases property values, stimulates economic growth, creates equity, and preserves the environment for future generations to enjoy.

Thornton Parks, Recreation & Community Programs is well poised to accomplish these goals and lead the way in creating and sustaining a community that thrives. We will continue to do this by engaging the community on multiple fronts and working with our partners like the Parks and Open Space Advisory Commission (POSAC), Thornton Active Adult Board (TAAB), and the Thornton Arts, Sciences and Humanities Council (TASHCO).



HISTORY OF OUR PROFESSION

The many immaculate gardens through history have been typically within the palace grounds or privately held. As dynasties faded away more and more became open to the public, and many an emperor used it to his advantage when looking to strengthen his rule. The gardens were a sought after amenity, a place to get away from the daily rigors, and partake of a place of renewal.

From this background arose in Britain of the mid-1800s, people wanting a place to not smell the sewage or the miasmas as it was labeled. The first official public park opened in Derby, north-central England in 1840, the Derby Arboretum. The second such soon followed at Birkenhead, near Liverpool, England in 1847. The father of American Landscape Architecture, Frederick Law Olmsted visited both of these parks and was impressed with how all layers of society was able to enjoy a public amenity. In fact, at these parks, the homes across from the park went for a premium and the well-heeled purchased them as a sign of class.

Olmsted and Calvert Vaux won a competition to design what was to become Central Park in New York, and parts of it opened to the public in 1858. The park as we see it now was fully open in 1876 and within its 843 acres offered the populace of New York something they craved. Olmsted went on to design several park systems around the country including those in Buffalo, New York and Louisville, Kentucky, while also laying out beautiful gardens for the wealthy, including the one at Biltmore, in Asheville, North Carolina.

With the industrial revolution and overall societal changes parks and green spaces became more a norm and cities that developed them became the migratory

places for population growth. In the late nineteenth and early twentieth century, the recreation revolution began as patrons asked for there to be programming in these spaces, and community centers began to take shape, usually with separate men's and women's wings. This evolved into having a community swimming pool and most cities, large and small, built a large natatorium and with the advent of the YMCAs and partnered with them to offer the programming. In America, these public pools and parks were reserved for whites only as segregation was omnipresent in the vast land.

As society evolved through the tumultuous 60s and 70s, parks and community centers became gathering spaces from whence developed ideas and innovations of organized play. As the cultural barriers fell parks and recreation grew in importance with greater inclusion, and where one of any age could explore, learn, and play—learning life skills whether it be dancing, swimming, or musical instruments. As more and more of the community centers came to be, especially in the larger cities, there was clamouring for the creation of a national body to guide parks, and recreation. The National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) was founded in August 1965 with the merger of five existing national organizations— National Recreation Association, American Institute of Park Executives, American Recreation Society, National Conference on State Parks, and American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums.

THE NATIONAL SCENE:

Our department is a member of the NRPA and at its national conference in Baltimore, Maryland in Fall 2019, we were recognized as a Gold Medal Finalist for a city with population between 75,000 and 150,000—a recognition reserved for four cities in the country.

The Trust for Public Land (TPL) recognizes Thornton very highly too with 93% of our population having access to a park or green space within a 10-minute walk of their residence—a national landmark. In addition the TPL also rates us in the top 10% of cities when it comes to per capita spending on parks and recreation, at over \$150. We are well poised to continue to lead the nation in parks and recreation as our residents voted in a dedicated 0.25% sales tax back in 1998, which has been renewed three times, and is currently set to expire in 2038.

The professional and dedicated staff in Thornton Parks, Recreation & Community Programs are well placed to be the national leader. Our amenities attract close to two million patrons each year and in our recently completed (January 2020) Community Needs Assessment we were rated at 'Good to Great' by 95% of the respondents on a variety of questions related to our amenities, service levels and overall community engagement.

TPRCP brings economic value to Thornton increasing the tax base and property values. Homes next to a park are valued at a higher level than those near a park and national studies show this to be in the range of 1-2%. The tree canopy in Thornton saves us money in storm water management while shading the city and lowering the carbon footprint. It is also empirically known that people and businesses locate to a city where parks and recreation is abundant. We offer a healthy dose of Vitamin N, lowering incidence of disease, stress, blood pressure and overall improving health and wellness. Socially parks create equity and is the one place where all populations are welcome to the same degree and barriers are removed or broken creating community. In addition, parks and recreation allows our older adult population to partake of opportunities to strengthen their lives and with our social service bent to programming, offer resources which allow one to rise above and feel valued. Parks also are a place to express oneself, be it through art or a recreational activity and true-to form we save lives by offering youth a place to congregate and be themselves without stigmas.

All of this is true for Thornton and with your help and guidance we can only continue to improve in all facets. Our simple goal is to be the best parks, recreation, and community programs department in the nation and be recognized as an essential service in the city of Thornton.

**WE ARE
PARKS AND
RECREATION.**

THE CONTINUALLY CHANGING EFFECTS OF COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to have an impact on all aspects of our lives. As we have shifted to accommodate the changes and adapt to the new reality, the focus of Thornton Parks, Recreation and Community Programs remains on the community. We will be guided by the needs of our community and work hard to ensure that our facilities, amenities, programs and staff continue to help Thornton thrive.


WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS

This magazine is a beginning to creating a Thornton that is recognized, is inclusive and welcoming, and overall a destination in Colorado that others look to emulate.

The Adaptive and Inclusive Recreation (AIR) program took hold in August 2019 and has already shown marked progress in breaking down barriers while accommodating all in our programs, facilities, and amenities. We look forward to creating a robust volunteer program in our department, which not only will fill the gaps, but create community through valuing time in the service of others, especially those that are in under-represented areas or marginalized.

In terms of sustainability we look forward to having our trees declared an infrastructure asset, while growing the principles of sustainability and conservation by cutting back on water usage, mowing, and creating naturalized areas for flora and fauna to thrive. We would also like to soon place into practice tobacco free parks, whereby our public amenities such as fields, playgrounds, courts, skate parks, dog parks, and wherever youth are present, to be fully tobacco free.

We look forward to fully implement in the coming years a thriving Thornton Sports Academy. The goal being that we will only concentrate on enhancing the skills through drills at a much more amenable and professional setting than a sports club. The goal was to pilot out the T-Pass this summer whereby for \$50, anyone between the ages 10 -16 could use all our drop-in sites (recreation centers, outdoor pools, batting cages, driving range, gym, climbing wall) without limits. The plan is to grow this Pass to include several Metro Area amenities that allows youth to remain sharp through sports, education, and entertainment during the summer months.

Our history and foundation is guiding us into the future. We plan to continue to serve the residents of Thornton at extraordinary levels with exceptional service. 



TPRCP VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are an important part of the foundation of an engaged Thornton community. Not only do volunteers allow many of our programs to take place, they also provide opportunities for residents to develop ties to the community and develop personal and professional leadership skills. The range of opportunities for volunteering stretch across all of our divisions and use volunteers of all ages with a variety of skills.

Besides offering short-term, temporary opportunities to volunteer, TPRCP is working towards developing a strong core of volunteers to be embedded in our programs and throughout the community. We are looking for individuals whose ideas and enthusiasm can further strengthen our existing programs. In addition, we would like to help residents invest their time and leverage their skills in ways that are fulfilling, to volunteers themselves and to the Thornton community.

For more information on our offerings, please visit gocot.net/volunteer. 🌱

VOLUNTEERING IN THORNTON

Below are great examples of long-standing volunteer opportunities that Thornton has to offer. Our Volunteer Program continues to grow as needs arise. Please be sure to visit our website at gocot.net/volunteer to view all current opportunities.

- Adopt-A-Street
- Boards & Commission Members
- Community Emergency Response Training (CERT)
- Girls Softball Coach
- Storm Drain Marker
- Thornton Citizen's Police Academy
- Victim Advocates
- Water Ambassadors
- Water-Wise Demonstration Gardens
- Youth & Teen Volunteer Corps

For more information on volunteering, contact Heidi Mallon, Community Engagement Supervisor, at heidi.mallon@ThorntonCO.gov or 720-977-5967.

"Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does."

~ William James

"Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in."

~ Author Unknown

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ACTIVE ADULT



The Thornton Active Adult Center offers a variety of opportunities to age well. Aging well means different things to different people. For some, it is forming new connections later in life after a loss or transition. For others, it is learning a new skill, offering a talent or simply participating in activities that foster well-being. Still, for others, it might be just finding a place away from home to engage. Thornton Active Adult Center is this place. Our mission is to connect and empower our community to age well. Our center primarily serves adults 62+ Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. with some special events and classes on evenings and weekends for those age 18+.

SENIOR MEAL PROGRAM

One of the ways to engage in your community is to share a meal. Our meal program serves over 300 well-rounded lunches each week Monday through Friday at 12 p.m. for under five dollars. Many active adults enjoy the interaction with kitchen staff, neighbors, volunteers, and friends. Some of our long-standing patrons began participating by signing up for lunch and then forming relationships with others as they continued to come back. Coming to a meal provides so much more than nutrition - participants socialize, form bonds and create new connections.

Special event meals are extremely popular and are often accompanied by contests, entertainment and giveaways by our 55+ Organization.

ACTIVE ADULT VOLUNTEERS

The Active Adult Center would not be successful without the dedication of many longtime volunteers. From serving lunches to setting up for and assisting at special events and calling Bingo, volunteers donate their time and energy to create meaningful experiences. Our volunteers facilitate meaningful connections for our patrons, thereby creating a welcoming atmosphere. Yearly events such as the Grandkids Luncheon and Mapleton Public School Senior to Senior Spaghetti Dinner allow for generations to come together and support each other in different phases of their life. Volunteers are an integral part of our daily operations and are invaluable to the success of our programs.



Winona Musgrave
Longtime Volunteer

"I visited the Thornton Active Adult Center and befriended some ladies at the front desk and in the dining room. One of them asked me if I was interested in serving lunch on Fridays. I said yes—that was thirty years ago and I'm still here. We are like one big family."

Please visit talerts.thorntonco.gov and opt-in to the *Active Adult Center* category to receive information about all of our programming, classes, trips, meal program and special events!

Lisa Ranalli
Older Adult Program Manager
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Mary Haynes
Tai Chi Participant

"I started taking Tai Chi with Elaine back in 2018. Since joining the recreation center and taking this class, I have experienced many improvements with my overall health and wellbeing and have lost over 60 pounds.

Without this class I would not be able to get out of bed and I feel like my life was literally saved. For this, I am extremely grateful."



Ann Brothers
Wellness Client &
Advisory Board Member

"More than once in the past several years, I have had neck and back problems. I took advantage of the massage therapy quite a bit and it really has helped me stay in shape and get in shape to be able to play golf and walk 18 holes at my age!"

OUTDOOR RECREATION

The Outdoor Recreation Program at our center runs quarterly hikes and snowshoe trips based on the season and is a great way to see the foothills and mountains of Colorado with a group of like-minded outdoor enthusiasts. Those interested in other fitness pursuits can take one of the many fitness classes or drop in to our fitness room. For some, exercising in groups is the best way for them to get fit; for others, a one-on-one with our staff explaining how to use a piece of fitness equipment and encouraging them is the best way to get started. You choose what works for you! The Thornton Active Adult Center has had a thriving Outdoor Recreation program for many years. Hiking, snowshoe and adventure trips are just some of our many options for adults in our community. When you explore with us, you will have a memorable experience delivered by experienced and skilled staff.

TRIPS

With over sixty day trips being offered each year, those interested in learning something new or sharing a meal at a restaurant with peers, can sign up for a day trip. Museums, festivals, picnics, plays, tea rooms, and tours are just a few of the options offered. In addition, an overnight trip is coordinated once or twice per year to allow for further exploration of an area of interest. If you cannot easily travel, join us for a travel lecture instead.

Those participating in day trips report making friends, exploring places they have never seen, and enjoying the camaraderie amongst the participants. Not having to drive in traffic or think about all the details are added benefits. Our van drivers are experienced and diligent about ensuring the safety of their passengers.

The Active Adult Center partners with Collette Tours to provide extended overnight trips to domestic and international locations as well. Destination suggestions are always welcome and some patrons use this as

an opportunity to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, or get away with friends.

EDUCATION

An important component of the Active Adult Center offerings are educational classes, lectures, and workshops. From Medicare 101 & Counseling to How to Deal with Change, there are countless ways to engage your mind and learn how to negotiate the various aspects of aging with some helpful tools in tow. Patrons are invited to play Bridge or Bunco, learn photography or another new skill, discover their artistic side or pursue a culinary passion. Education on many community topics are also offered such as retirement planning, transportation updates and environmental awareness. Our Thornton Police Department Liaison can be contacted to answer questions and troubleshoot challenges in your community.

FITNESS

Our fitness classes are an integral part of maintaining a healthy lifestyle as you age. With over 25 classes to choose from, the fitness class offerings at the Active Adult Center provide something for everyone. If you'd prefer to work out solo, our fitness room has excellent equipment as well as personalized orientations and trainings to educate you and prepare you to reach your fitness goals.

WELLNESS

The Active Adult Center has a variety of wellness offerings available at a discounted rate to our active adults. These services contribute to their physical and mental health and they enjoy the convenience of accessing these amenities within their neighborhood. Weekly massage is available by three experienced therapists as well as monthly podiatry services, acupuncture, and screenings/foot care by the Visiting Nurses Association. Various health and wellness educational lectures are also offered throughout the year to keep patrons informed and provide resource options as they age.



ACTIVE ADULT FITNESS

**TRAIL WINDS RECREATION CENTER
ACTIVE ADULT WING**


The Active Adult Wing, located in Trail Winds Recreation Center, opened in November of 2019. This location hosts a variety of activities including: potlucks, lectures, adult enrichment classes and fitness classes. We have 62+ classes for Yoga, Tai Chi and Line Dance. There is also a Wellness Suite offering massage treatments and podiatry. Special events, drop-in programs, services and acupuncture will be offered, including movies, Bunco and card/games days.

The lobby of the Trail Winds Active Adult Wing has a heartbeat all its own. It's a place where everyone knows your name and where you can build connections. There is no entry fee to sit and drink coffee, there is no prerequisite to share your story - there's just a community that is evolved from the people within the neighborhood who had time and interest in doing something more.

**WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD
NEW ACTIVE ADULT CENTER**

The 25,000 square foot Active Adult Center located on the southwest corner of Colorado Boulevard and 112th Avenue offers an updated and spacious environment to explore, learn, and play. This one story building is home to a lounge with a fireplace, arts classroom, event hall with a platform, wellness suites, teaching kitchen and dedicated fitness areas.

Mountain views to the west, spacious classrooms and centralized location in addition to access to multiple recreational offerings nearby make this a lovely place to gather and age well. Join us for a cup of coffee and a tour any time.

For more information on our offerings, please visit gocot.net/activeadult. 

PROGRAMS & SERVICES OFFERED

- Referrals to Community Resources
- Drop-In Activities and Groups
- Enrichment & Education Classes
- Fitness & Dance Programs
- Computer & Technology Classes
- Holiday & Birthday Events
- Outdoor Recreation & Trips
- Daily Lunch Program & Potlucks
- Culinary & Nutrition Classes
- Arts, Crafts & Pottery Classes
- Massage & Acupuncture
- Podiatry & Visiting Nurses
- Movies & Dinner Theater
- Volunteer Opportunities

62+ TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS & AVAILABILITY

**MEAL PROGRAM TRANSPORTATION
TO THE ACTIVE ADULT CENTER 303-255-7850**

MEDICAL APPOINTMENT TRANSPORTATION

A-lift | 303-235-6972

RTD FlexRide | 303-299-2960

Call-n-Ride Thornton/Northglenn | 303-591-1389

South Thornton/Northglenn | 303-434-4247

Federal Heights/Thornton/Northglenn | 303-434-3472

**ACTIVE ADULT CENTER FRONT DESK
303-255-7850**

**TRAIL WINDS ACTIVE ADULT WING FRONT DESK
720-977-5777**



ACTIVE ADULT TRANSPORTATION



ARTS & CULTURE

Do you like to dance or act out? Sing in the shower or strum the guitar? Yearn to be a painter or poet? Or just want to get your hands dirty doing something creative? Then come to the Thornton Arts & Culture Center (TACC) at 9209 Dorothy Blvd. Opened in 2011, the TACC is the hub for performing and visual arts in Thornton. On any given day, you can view an exhibit in the OZ Gallery, rehearse with the local chorus or band, attend a camp or concert, enroll in an art class or participate in annual cultural celebrations like Day of the Dead (Dia de los Muertos). Whatever your passion, nurture it (or discover a new one) at the TACC!

TWIST AND SHOUT CONCERT SERIES

Summer tends to be our busiest season with free and low-fee events for every age. Our annual Twist and Shout Summer Concert Series takes place at Carpenter Park Amphitheater (CPA) located at 112th Avenue and Madison Street. From mid-June to early August on Thursday evenings, you can hear top bands playing everything from bluegrass to the blues, rock 'n roll to sizzling salsa, plus traditional concert band music. Bring a meal, a blanket or jacket, and sit back to watch the sun go down as the music heats up! On specific nights, summer concerts are held in each Ward during annual Ice Cream Socials. Mingle with friends, neighbors, and your Ward council members as you enjoy free ice cream with music on the side.

SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS

At the TACC, we offer various summer day camps for elementary and middle school aged youth. Each program is designed to expose youth to the arts, culture, science and history in a fun environment. These week-long fee-based camps offer youth the opportunity to learn new skills by using technology, music, and art to create mini masterpieces that are displayed on the last day of each weekly camp.

YEAR-ROUND CLASSES

Throughout the year, we offer visual and performing arts classes onsite and online for all ages. Classes emphasize fundamentals and build skills in music, dance, drawing/painting, media arts and theater. Each experience is unique and tailored to all skill levels.



Brooke Divorty
Thornton Arts Fan

"My kids love all the programs and festival fun and my husband and I love the summer concerts.

Thanks for all you do!"

Please visit talerts.thorntonco.gov and opt-in to the *Arts and Culture* category to receive information about all of our programming, classes, exhibits and special events!

Alisa Zimmerman
Arts & Culture Manager
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Our theater and gallery are available to rent!*

Annually in November, we host the largest community celebration, Day of the Dead, complete with music, dancing, food and fun! Come dressed up to compete in the Katrina contest and bring pictures of loved ones to place on the altar. Free and open to the public at the Thornton Community Center (TCC), drop by to enjoy the food, art and culture celebrated on this popular holiday. We also celebrate cultural and artistic diversity with our seasonal indoor concerts at the Thornton Arts & Culture Center. Check out the ArtsThornton online events calendar often to see what's coming up next!

THORNTON ARTS ACADEMY 2021

Attend a new after school program to learn the basics of cooking, dancing, drawing, pottery and instrumental music. Students will work in small groups led by qualified instructors over several weeks, ending with recitals and exhibits showing their progress. This fee-based academy will offer scholarships pending available grant funding.

PUBLIC ART INSTALLATIONS & EXHIBITS

At any time of the year, you can view public art installed throughout Thornton. Look for colorful traffic boxes, lifelike bronze animals, whimsical roundabout sculptures, and towering murals as well as framed artwork displayed in city buildings. Temporary exhibits featuring works by local and regional artists can also be seen year-round in the OZ Gallery at the TACC, the Active Adult Center, Trail Winds Recreation Center and Economic Development building. You can also view Thornton's public art collection anytime online by visiting ArtsThornton.com and clicking on Public Art Collection.

For more information on our offerings, please visit gocot.net/arts. 🌿

*Pending current Covid-19 guidelines for indoor groups.

GET INVOLVED WITH THORNTON ARTS & CULTURE!

Join us as we expand our diverse arts and cultural programs to enrich and engage Thornton's growing community. Check out artsthornton.com to see how you can get involved:

- Attend any of our free or low-cost activities and tell us about your experience;
- Present your own performance, artwork or event at our rental facility (TACC);
- Participate in new public art projects by submitting your artwork for review;
- Teach a performing or visual arts class for adults or children at a city facility;
- Sponsor or donate in-kind support for any of our arts and culture programs;
- Or volunteer to support one or more of our events held indoors and out.

Wherever you see yourself, we look forward to seeing you soon at the TACC!





The Community Connections Division was born out of Thornton's desire to provide assistance to our neighbors and our friendly, bilingual staff are eager to help their community. Our team regularly participates in outreach events across the county. Please be sure to contact us if you would like us to attend or present at one of your future events.

It is a love for Thornton and its residents that keeps our division thriving. Whether you're looking for opportunities to get involved in your community or you need supportive services, you can call on us.

We welcome the opportunity to serve you and invite you to reach out to us. Stop by our office at 9471 Dorothy Blvd., give us a call at 720-977-5800, or drop us a line at Connections@ThorntonCO.gov. We are here for you!

WAYS FOR OUR COMMUNITY TO HELP

FARMERS MARKETS

Support local farmers and get fresh produce at our seasonal farmers markets hosted with our partners Anythink Huron Street, Tri-County Health Department and the American Heart Association. Thornton residents can take advantage of doubling SNAP bucks, WIC vouchers for free produce and RTD bus passes provided to those who use public transit. Thornton seniors can also get vouchers for free produce as well.

THORNTON COMMUNITY DRIVES

The Community Connections Division hosts several community drives throughout the year, collecting items such as food for food banks serving Thornton residents, pet supplies for companion pets of seniors, school supplies for children and youth in need and socks for Thornton's unhoused community.

PERFECT HOLIDAY GIFT PROGRAM

The *Perfect Holiday Gift* program pairs generous donors, who donate gifts and meals with local families in need, who are referred by participating case managers. Donate as an individual or as a group. This is a great charitable holiday project for businesses or organizations during the holiday season!

COMMUNITY GARDENS

Thornton is home to many community gardens. All of the Thornton community gardens are open to Thornton gardeners of all ages and abilities. Participating community gardens that donate a portion of their produce to local food banks may even qualify for a Thornton water rebate.

Community Connections

720-977-5800

Connections@ThorntonCO.gov

If you or someone you know is in need of referrals for assistance in any of the areas listed on page 17, please call 720-977-5800, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. or email connections@ThorntonCO.gov.



We welcome the opportunity to serve you.

A local teacher and father came to Community Connections in a time of desperate need. He was looking for affordable housing in the Thornton area to accommodate him and his children. Our division was able to provide him with resources for finding housing and financing for his new life.

With our assistance, he managed to move in the right direction and get housing to meet his needs.

The teacher sent along a very kind email: "I wanted to say thank you so much for your kindness for helping me out. Some of your information you shared was brand new to me, and it was just what we needed to have a fresh start."

Every day we get the opportunity to make a difference. If you are in need of resources, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us—we'd love for you to be our next success story!

HOW WE HELP ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Community Connections is the eligibility intake office for Thornton Water Assistance, Reduced Rate Recreation, Senior Property and Food Sales Tax Rebate, and the Click and Haul Reduced Rate junk removal program.

HELP FOR HOMES

Low-income homeowners in Thornton may qualify for a grant to help with minor home repairs, including accessibility modifications, plumbing repairs or electrical repairs.

For more information on our offerings, please visit gocot.net/connections. 🌱

WE CAN PROVIDE REFERRALS FOR ASSISTANCE

- Food
- Legal Issues
- Employment
- Health Services
- Mental Health Services
- Addiction Services
- Crisis & Emergency Issues
- Child Care
- Education
- Aging
- Disabilities
- Housing & Shelter Issues
- Basic Needs & Financial Issues
- Taxes
- Children with Special Needs
- Immigrants & Refugees
- Grant Opportunities for Nonprofits
- and MORE!



OUTREACH EVENTS



PARKS & FORESTRY

Thornton Parks and Forestry is a dedicated group of approximately 60 full time men and women who work daily to enhance your quality of life to help you explore, learn and play in and around Thornton's exceptional parks and trails. Parks & Forestry staff typically work seven-days-a-week in the spring and summer and weekdays in the fall and winter as far north as 166th Avenue and as far south as 84th Avenue. They take care of all things that grow or get played on in our 90 parks which when combined make for a grand total of 2,500 acres of land and 150 miles of trails. This division is responsible for the general maintenance of all the above, as well as snow removal along sidewalks and walking trails, mowing, shrub/flower bed management, playground maintenance, park facility maintenance and landscape and turf care for medians, streetscapes and rights-of-way.

THORNTON'S TRAIL SYSTEMS

Of all of the wonderful offerings that Thornton Parks & Forestry is responsible for, trails probably get the most use in the daily lives of our residents. Century old farmer's irrigation ditches provide trails linking the east and west. The Signal and Heritage Trails are the pride of the system with their stately trees and wildlife while Eastlake Nature Preserve and Gravel Lakes fishing ponds, bring in the most people from outside of Thornton.

CONVENIENT NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

Neighborhood parks such as Yorkborough Park on the south and Fallbrook Park on the north are shining

examples of some of the spaces in Thornton that provide quality opportunities for outside activities and recreation. Yorkborough with its rolling hills and resident foxes has the serenity we are all looking for. Fallbrook has the sound of children playing most days, while providing tremendous views of the mountains to the west. All totaled, Thornton has over 90 neighborhood parks that provide special and unique features for all of the local residents and their families.

SPECIAL PARK AMENITIES

Along with trails, playgrounds and shelters, Thornton Parks also offers its residents a variety of special



Kate Stander

Thornton Resident & Trail User

"My family and I enjoy Thornton's many miles of walkable, bikeable paths that connect us to both our neighbors and Thornton's rich natural resources.

We appreciate that while these paths provide green recreation to Thornton's residents, they also have the potential to serve as wildlife corridors that provide safe passage and habitats to the creatures we love to observe, from the tiniest bees to silent owls and shy foxes."

Please visit gis.cityofthornton.net/parkfinder for a complete listing of Thornton parks, fishing facilities, sports complexes and their amenities!

Paul Burkholder

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GRANDVIEW PONDS

Helping you explore, learn and play.

recreational amenities to take advantage of. You can enjoy time with your 4-legged friend in the newly developed dog park adjacent to Trail Winds Recreation Center, practice your riding skills at one of our three skate parks, take up disc golf in Springvale Park or try your hand at, or challenge a friend to a game of pickle ball on our brand new dedicated pickle ball courts in Woodglen-Brookshire Park.

CARPENTER PARK COMPLEX

The park that gathers the biggest crowds and offers the most amenities within its boundaries is by far Carpenter Park! This park was funded through Thornton’s park and open space tax revenues along with two Adams County Open Space Grant awards (\$1,876,122) and a Great Outdoors Colorado Local Government Grant award (\$200,000.) It offers a 17 acre area for recreational sports groups and is also home to several of our largest festivals and events; numerous sports courts; an outdoor amphitheater; fishing lakes and walking trails. Seasonal offerings include paddle boat rentals; spray ground and carousel. The complex is also home to Thornton’s brand new Active Adult Center along with the Carpenter Recreation Center. For a city without a main street or a town square, many people may look at this complex as the city’s main gathering spot.

FORESTRY

Trees are so hard to grow in Colorado. It takes time, patience and passion. Thornton’s forestry staff have all of these, but that is not always enough. Colorado soils and weather seem designed to create disappointment in our forestry. But, hope is eternal and we remain determined to grow and protect each of our 10,000 trees.

For more information, please visit gocot.net/parks. 🌲

THORNTON’S FISHING OPPORTUNITIES

All Thornton fishing venues are open year-round from 6 a.m.-11 p.m. (exceptions below) and are subject to Colorado Parks and Wildlife fishing regulations. Warm water species such as Bass, Bluegill, Catfish, Crappie, Perch and Sunfish are found in most lakes except as noted below.

CARPENTER PARK LAKE | 3498 E. 112th Ave.
Paddle boat rentals

CIVIC CENTER LAKE | 9500 Civic Center Dr.

GRANDVIEW PONDS | 4750 E. 104th Ave.
Warm water species and trout

GRANGE CREEK PARK POND | 4800 E. 110th Ave.

GRAVEL LAKES | 8651 Colorado Blvd.
Warm water species and trout
Open March 15-October 31; sunrise to sunset

HUNTERS GLEN LAKE | 951 E. 128th Ave.
Non-motorized boats allowed.

LAMBERTSON LAKES | 1200 E. 101st Ave.

MARSHALL LAKE | 6246 E. 134th Ave.

NOTT’S POND | 11500 Birch Dr.

PARK VILLAGE POND | 4051 Summit Grove Pkwy.

SAGE CREEK PARK | 12796 Jasmine St.

WEST SPRAT PLATTE LAKE | 5990 E. 100th Ave.
Warm water species and trout
Open March 15-October 31; sunrise to sunset

WOODGLEN PARK POND | 11551 Madison St.



CARPENTER PARK & OPEN SPACE



GOT GOLF? Thorncreek certainly does! With our newly renovated course and facilities, we offer a great meeting place for you and your family to enjoy a little golf, range, putting and chipping and enjoy breakfast, lunch or dinner before or after your round, on our patio with lovely mountain views.

Thorncreek has worked hard over the years to serve golfers in Thornton and the metro area and to be great neighbors and a major part of the community. Whether you are looking for ladies, senior, junior, men's, ADA accessibility or family offerings, we have just the spot for you.

WOMENS GOLF PROGRAM

We offer many successful golf programs for both women and men. Thorncreek's Chicks with Sticks 18-Hole women's leagues offer a fun and inviting atmosphere for all ladies to enjoy a round of golf. Ladies rounds are played on Monday mornings for the 18-Hole League from May through September. Whether you are a beginner, casual or serious golfer, there is a place for you!

Sharing a passion for golf with lady golfers has been most rewarding for Thorncreek staffers. Starting with renovations made to the fairways and greens to allow it to be a more female-friendly course, along with clinics, support and special events held in a fun environment. Our leagues are

non-intimidating yet challenging for ladies of any level. If you are looking to participate in a fun and entertaining way to meet other ladies with the same interests, then this is it.

MENS GOLF PROGRAM

Womens leagues are certainly not the only popular programs held at Thorncreek. Thorncreek's Men's Leagues are also very popular with metro area golfers. Men's 9-Hole League plays primarily on Thursday evenings, with play beginning in April. There are also monthly 18-hole weekend events as well as an individual match play tournament and 2-day Club Championship. A GHIN handicap is required to participate in the league.



Pam Hauck

Ladies League Participant

"I have been in a total of seven golf leagues in my life and I have to say that Thorncreek Chicks with Sticks is one of my favorites.

The ladies in the league are so much fun to be around.

They are there to play golf and make new friends. No one acts like they are better than anyone else it definitely makes the Monday morning drive from Cheyenne, Wyoming worth it."

Please visit us online at thorncreekgc.com and/or follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/thorncreekgc for course information, fees and updates.

Chris Swinhart
PGA Golf Professional
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Hole #7

Newly renovated clubhouse and course!

SENIOR GOLF PROGRAM

Thorncreek’s Senior League is open to men and women ages 55+. League formats vary to include individual, partner and team competitions. Prizes are awarded to the top finishers each week and there is also a season-long points race and an individual match play tournament. A GHIN handicap is required to participate in the league.

JUNIOR CAMP AND WEEKLY LESSON PROGRAM

Beginning in April each year, we offer weekly skills classes for juniors on Saturday and Sunday afternoons and Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. These hour-long sessions focus on fundamentals such as putting, chipping, iron play and tee shots. In addition, during the summer months we offer two golf camps beginning with our Junior Golf Week in June for those new to golf and looking to refresh their fundamentals and an Advanced Junior Camp for those ready to take it to the next level in July.

PRIVATE GOLF INSTRUCTION

If you are looking for private one-on-one golf instruction, look no further! Our Golf Professionals tailor your individual instruction to meet your specific needs and goals so you’ll start playing better golf in just a few short sessions. Thorncreek offers individual half-hour sessions, as well as discounted four-lesson packages. Thorncreek Golf Course has what you are looking for and it’s easy to get started. Simply visit the Golf Shop to schedule your first lesson today with our qualified teaching staff of golf professionals. 🌻

THORNCREEK GOLF COURSE FUN FACTS

Original Architect: Finger, Dye, and Spann, Houston, Texas

Original Construction: 1992

Redesign Architect: Baxter Spann (2016 – 2018)
Redesign of course, club house, driving range

Reopening: 2018

Yardage: 2592-7201 yards

Women’s Slope: 112-138

Women’s Rating: 68-74.6

Men’s Slope: 102-135

Men’s Rating: 63.6-72.8

Grass: Tee Champion Perennial Ryegrass

Fairway Replay Perennial Ryegrass

Rough Kentucky Bluegrass and Perennial Ryegrass

Green T1 Bentgrass

ADA COMPLIANT CART AVAILABLE

Thorncreek welcomes all golfers with disabilities and mobility challenges. Our specially equipped ADA cart is designed to help wheelchair users discover an unimagined level of freedom and independence on the golf course. This cart is free for use by veterans with disabilities as well as seniors, adults and children with paraplegia, quadriplegia, neurological challenges, limb difference or balance issues.





PROJECTS & PLANNING

Thornton's Projects & Planning Division is primarily responsible for planning, design and construction project management of Thornton's park, recreation and open space capital improvement projects; implementation of the Parks and Open Space Master Plan; a liaison with the Parks and Open Space Advisory Commission and securing and managing outside grant application and awards that can provide additional funding for park and recreation related projects.

The Projects & Planning Division was created in 1998 following the passage of Thornton's Parks and Open Space sales and use tax in November 1997. The Parks and Open Space Tax is a .25% sales tax where we acquire \$0.25 cents for every \$100 dollar purchase in Thornton. This tax money is used to fund the acquisition of land and design and construction of facilities for parks and open space purposes. In 2013, voters extended the tax to 2038, and allows up to 20% of the revenue to be used toward maintenance of Thornton's park and recreation system. The tax will continue to provide an opportunity to

preserve and improve open space land and to build and maintain new park and recreation facilities for years to come!

As a result of the Parks and Open Space Tax, the Parks and Open Space Advisory Commission (POSAC) was created to assist in developing and maintaining the Parks and Open Space Master Plan and to provide input on the use of tax funds. Some of which include: purchasing park, trail and open space land; designing and constructing new trail segments, rehabilitating aged landscapes and irrigation systems to better function as water-wise, designing and constructing new playgrounds, ballfields, parks, recreation centers, wildlife habitats and open space amenities, updating the Parks and Open Space Master Plan, and creating new master plans for specific ecological (Big Dry Creek) and historical (Lambertson Lakes Farmstead) areas. The Master Plan is used as a guide for identifying and implementing the many recreational needs within the community.

Examples of projects supported by the Parks and Open Space Tax include, but are not limited to the Margaret W.



Marin, age 10
Swim Lesson Parent

"Carpenter Park is a really cool park!

The rock climbing is really fun and I really like that there are things to climb on and spin on."

Please visit gocot.net/projects for detailed information on current capital projects.

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Building places for neighbors, families and friends to gather.

Carpenter Park and Open Space, which was completed with tax dollars, plus grant awards. The purpose of this project was to create a community gathering area that promotes inclusive recreation for a variety of ages and abilities! This 150 acre park and open space features a carousel,

lakes with paddleboats, an in-ground skate park, amphitheater, universally accessible playground, a water play sprayground, rentable pavilions, sport courts including basketball, tennis, bocce and shuffleboard, plus multipurpose sports fields, fishing ponds and looped trails around and through the Grange Hall Creek open space areas. Other notable projects include the opening of Trail Winds Recreation Center at the corner of Holly Street and 136th Avenue in 2019 and most recently the opening of the new Thornton Active Adult Center on the southwest corner of 112th Avenue and Colorado Boulevard in 2020.

The Projects & Planning team works hard to leverage Thornton's Parks and Open Space Tax funds by applying for various local, state and national grants that stretch our dollars to help create quality recreational projects offering visitors a range of experiences. Since 2000, the division has been awarded over \$31 million dollars in grant funding! We thank our partner, Adams County, for their recent grant award of over \$2 million dollars toward design and construction of the new Riverwalk Ballfields & Batting Cages that opened in May 2019. Every bit of Parks and Open Space Tax and grant award funding is used to work toward providing exceptional park, open space and recreation projects for the benefit of the community!

While there are numerous projects funded by the Parks and Open Space Tax, there are many projects that are funded through other special revenue funds. Some of the

RECENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

BIG DRY CREEK TRAIL AND PILOT PROJECT

Floodplain restoration planting continues along Big Dry Creek in the Pilot Project area between 152nd Parkway and E-470 west of York Street. With funding help from Adams County and the Colorado Lottery, Big Dry Creek has been realigned and connected to its historic floodplain.

REPLACEMENT OF THOMAS J. SLOCUM MEMORIAL SKATEPARK AT COMMUNITY PARK

The existing 20-year old skatepark at Community Park is being fully replaced with a new facility that includes an integrated skatepark and concrete pumptrack. It is in the design phase now and is expected to be completed in Spring 2021.

TRAIL WINDS DOG PARK

The permanent dog park located at Trail Winds Park Complex is nearing completion this summer. Access to the parking lot is west off of the 134th Avenue round-about. Currently, Thornton's only dog park, it includes two areas separating large and small dogs and provides shade shelters with a picnic table and benches. Please check thorntonparks.com for its opening date.

TRAIL WAYFINDING SIGNAGE

A trail wayfinding signage program has been developed to assist trail users to easily navigate the over 150 miles of trails throughout Thornton. Signage installations are scheduled to be phased in beginning in early 2021.

PARK AT 88TH AVENUE & HURON STREET

Opening in the Spring of 2021, this park will include a fenced soccer area, playground and shade shelters.

most recent projects completed in recent years in this category include the addition of four outdoor pickleball courts in Woodglen-Brookshire Park and newly renovated playgrounds at Skylake Park and Colony Park.

We have simply touched on some of the wonderful parks projects, facilities and amenities that your Thornton Projects & Planning team has been working hard to provide. Keep an eye out for the new park currently being designed for 88th Avenue at Sante Fe Drive, Niver Nature Heritage Trail amenities to be installed in Niver Open Space, the in-ground skate park replacement accompanied by an amazing pump track in Community Park and regional trails through Big Dry Creek Open Space north and south of 152nd Parkway.

For more information on projects, to share your ideas, concerns and community needs or to help understand how grants fund unique project improvements the city would otherwise postpone or not include, please visit gocot.net/projects.

We look forward to hearing from you. 🌳



Thornton's Adaptive and Inclusive Recreation (AIR) program began in August 2019. Thornton values people with disabilities and recognizes the importance of accessing recreation opportunities. The program was designed to reach out intentionally to individuals with disabilities, to welcome and include people of all abilities in programs and facilities, and provide adaptive programs designed to meet individualized needs.

The program is coordinated by a Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist (CTRS). Becoming a CTRS requires a 4-year degree (or equivalent experience), passing a national certification exam, and 50 hours of continuing education every five years to stay certified. This ensures the AIR program maintains a high standard and follows current trends and issues in the field. By practicing Therapeutic Recreation, we focus on promoting physical, emotional, social, and cognitive well-being and development through recreation and fun!

INCLUSIVE RECREATION

Inclusive Recreation allows people of all abilities, including those with physical or cognitive disabilities to participate together in programs and activities. This promotes diversity in programs and adds value to the experience of participants with and without disabilities.

Thornton includes people of all abilities in our recreation programs. We strive to not only meet the requirements of the ADA but to create a welcoming and supportive community. If you see

a program offered that you would like to participate in but require accommodation or inclusion support, please answer yes on the related question during registration or contact the AIR Coordinator. An assessment may be completed to determine what type of reasonable accommodations or inclusion support is needed. Please submit requests at least two weeks in advance of your desired start date. For more information, please contact Becky Post, AIR Coordinator at 720-977-5702 or becky.post@ThorntonCO.gov.



Mariah Tollman
AIR Participant

"I think the AIR program is amazing! I have had experiences that I probably wouldn't have had the chance to try before. It also has introduced me to new things I never thought possible with a disability! I loved the gymnastics program because it got me moving, bingo I met new friends and I learned a lot at the really cool adaptive video game night. I'm super excited about trying the rock climbing, cooking and the sampler classes. I think it's a great program all should try."

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EXAMPLES OF INCLUSION SUPPORT/ ADA ACCOMMODATION INCLUDE:

- Hiring a sign language interpreter for a program
- Providing additional training for general recreation staff
- Developing a behavior support plan
- Providing additional staff support
- Offering adaptive equipment

Programs are designed to meet individualized needs.

AIR OPPORTUNITIES

We offer a variety of AIR programs year round as “pop-up” or one time programs, drop-in activities, and 5-6 week long sessions. AIR programs welcome people of all abilities, and are specifically designed to meet the needs of individuals with disabilities. Recreation contributes most to our well-being when there is a balance of challenge and enjoyment, which we hope to offer in all of our AIR programs!

AIR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This is an opportunity for community members with disabilities, as well as care providers, family members and advocates, to provide feedback and suggestions related to accessibility, inclusion and adaptive opportunities within Thornton Parks, Recreation and Community Programs. We value your input and want to hear from you!

VOLUNTEER

AIR is seeking volunteers to help support our programs. Please contact Becky to discuss opportunities or complete an application online.

For more information on our offerings, please visit gocot.net/air. 🌳

ADAPTIVE & INCLUSIVE RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

- Youth and Teen Night
- AIR Play Group
- Not your Average Bingo
- Seasonal Dances

ENRICHMENT CLASSES AND SPORTS

These programs rotate throughout the year.

- Special Olympics Sports
- Enrichment programs
- AIR gymnastics, swim, and dance classes
- Fitness programs
- Inclusive drop-in programs

AIR ADVENTURES

AIR collaborates with adaptive sport partners to offer specialized equipment and instruction so participants, especially those with physically disabilities, are included.

- Adaptive archery
- Adaptive cycling
- Adaptive hiking
- Adaptive rock climbing

AIR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- Regular meetings for community input and feedback
- Let your voice be heard!





AQUATICS

Thornton's Aquatics offers a variety of swimming pool amenities and programs at multiple facilities. At Trail Winds Recreation center, we offer a 4-lane lap pool, leisure amenities with a lazy river, slides, wellness pool and hot tub. Carpenter Recreation Center, (currently closed for renovation with a plan to reopen in late 2021) with amenities to include a 6-lane lap pool, wave pool with a lazy river, hot tub, slide, sauna and steam room and an activities pool. We have two outdoor pools, open during the summer months. Park Village located at 4051 Summit Grove Pkwy. and City Pool located at 2141 E. 95th Ave. Both offer family open swim times, swimming lessons and private rental opportunities. We have Carpenter Park that offers paddleboats, carousel and a sprayground, open May-September weekends only. We have highly-trained lifeguards licensed through Jeff Ellis & Associates, Inc. Ellis & Associates (E&A) is an international aquatics safety and risk management consulting firm dedicated to the prevention and elimination of drownings. E&A provides lifeguard instructor training, aquatic risk management services, emergency

care training and vigilance awareness training. They also conduct aquatics staff observations and technical performance audits. We are very proud of our lifeguard staff and their diligence to keeping our patrons safe. Thornton aquatics received E&A Gold standard in 2018.

We offer an extensive swim lesson program at our indoor facilities year-round and our outdoor pools during the summer months. We put over 3,000 children through our program each year. We have highly-trained staff offering eight different levels of swim lessons that are offered on a variety of days and times throughout the year to meet your needs. Lesson sessions available are Monday and Wednesday evenings; Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings in the fall and winter. In the summer months, we offer lessons in the mornings Monday-Friday at all of our facilities, in addition to the evening classes at Trail Winds and Carpenter Recreation Centers. We also offer lessons for adults and private lessons for those wanting individual assistance.



Brenna Cer
Swim Lesson Parent

"Over the past six years our family has taken advantage of the learn to swim programs through the city at just about every level - parent/tot all the way up to level eight and eventually on the CARA swim team.

Our girls have always had loads of fun and have learned everything they need for us to feel confident with them being independent in the water. We have had great instructors at every facility we've been to and appreciate everything the staff does to accommodate us."

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TRAIL WINDS RECREATION CENTER


Our Aquatics facilities are available for your rental needs!

We offer a year-round CARA (Colorado Association of Recreational Athletics) recreational swim team, affiliated with the Colorado Parks and Recreation Association. It is an excellent opportunity to introduce youth ages 6-18, to the fun and thrill of competitive swimming. Our coaches work hard to teach skills and techniques that will improve efficiency in the water. They strive to promote competition as well as sportsmanship. Participants don't have to have competitive experience, but must be able to swim a full 50 yards (two lengths) in a competitive, correct freestyle stroke and also exhibit the ability to swim for 45 minutes in a coached setting. Practices are held at the Veterans Memorial Aquatics Center (VMAC) in the fall and winter months and at our Park Village pool during the summer.

In addition to the CARA Swim Team, we are proud to offer a top-notch Master swim and fitness program. This swim fitness program is for individuals age 18 and older who enjoy swimming in a structured program. The program benefits those who swim for fun and fitness and those who swim for competition. Our Masters swim team practices at the Veterans Aquatics Memorial Center (VMAC), M/W/F mornings and Tu/Th evenings.

Aqua-fitness classes are offered at TWRC and CRC year-round and Park Village during the summer months. We have a variety of classes from Aqua-Zumba, tone and stretch, Aqua-fitness and SilverSneakers™ classes. All classes are taught by certified fitness instructors.

Carpenter Park is a showcase park with a large playground, sprayground, carousel and paddleboat operations. It is open Friday evenings, Saturdays and Sundays from May-September. On-site are pavilions available to rent, basketball courts, tennis courts, volleyball and shuffleboard.

For more information on our offerings, please visit gocot.net/swim. 

FREE THIRD GRADE SWIM LESSONS FOR CHILDREN AGES 8-9

As part of an effort to keep all children safe around the water, we are proud to offer third grade students the opportunity to enroll into our free third grade swim session. This swim program includes four, 40-minute swim lessons. Swim lessons include floating, stroke development, treading and water safety. FREE!

SCOUT MERIT BADGE TESTING

Is your scouting organization in need of a swimming pool in order to complete your merit badge testing? We offer a group discount as well as the help of certified instructors to assist you with requirements and testing. Please call 720-977-5919 for available days and times.

POOL RENTAL INFORMATION

INDOOR POOLS

The Trail Winds Recreation Center indoor pool is available for private evening rentals throughout the calendar year. A deposit will be required for all rentals. Final payments will be due 14 days prior to scheduled rental.

OUTDOOR POOLS

Private after-hours rentals are available limited days and hours for Thornton residents only during the months of June-August. A deposit will be required for all rentals. Final payments will be due 14 days prior to scheduled rental.



CITY POOL



Our Thornton Dance Program offers a wide-range of dance classes to youth and adults of all ability levels. You can find our dance classes at Trail Winds Recreation Center, Thornton Community Center or Carpenter Recreation Center. Thornton Dance offers both recreational classes as well as year-round performance and competitive teams. Recreational classes are offered in sessions throughout the year so you may pick and choose the sessions that are right for you and your family's schedule. Recreational dance classes participate in two performances every year, an outdoor performance in June and a formal recital in December. Looking for a more serious year round option? Our Thornton Dance Teams are perfect for the student who wants to dance all year long with more opportunities such as community performances, national competitions and master classes. Stop by and check out our classes the next time you are visiting one of our facilities.

AWARD WINNING DANCE TEAMS

Thornton Dance Team students have the opportunity to participate in multiple performances throughout the year as well as the option to compete and attend national dance competitions and conventions. The Thornton Dance Teams study a variety of dance styles such as ballet, jazz, tap, lyrical, contemporary and hip-hop. You will find them performing around the Denver Metro area. Favorite past performances include the Colorado Rockies baseball game, Denver Cutthroats hockey game,

Thornton's Fourth of July celebration, Arvada Harvest Parade and Arvada's Community Table annual gala. Not only do the teams perform, but they also have the opportunity to compete at national dance competitions. The Thornton Dance teams have been competing since 2017. Since then they have earned multiple top adjudication scores and have won numerous awards such as overall high score awards, choreography awards, entertainment awards and standing ovation awards.



Melissa & Jeff Mustard
Dance Parents

"The dance instructors with the Thornton Dance Program have done so much more than help my daughter to find her passion. They have inspired her to be a better person for this world.

Through this dance program my daughter has learned, if we fall down we get back up and just keep dancing! How important it is to be encouraging and compassionate with not only your teammates but those who you may compete against as well. You will never know if you can accomplish something unless you try!"

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Recreational dance classes perform twice a year!

The Thornton Dance teams are audition-based and most of our team dancers started their dance journey in our recreational classes. Annual auditions are held in the fall. Contact Kendra Keefe for more information.

RECREATIONAL DANCE CLASSES

Thornton Dance recreational dance classes are fun, exciting and offer high-quality dance instruction to dancers of all ages and abilities. Recreational classes focus on learning and advancing dance technique, flexibility, coordination, muscle control, rhythm, musicality and expression of emotion through dance. Our recreational dance classes have two performance opportunities to perform each year; one in June and one in December. Recreational dance classes are offered in a variety of styles and age groups so you can find the perfect class for your child. Kids are encouraged to try a variety of styles to help them discover their passion for dance and movement. Contact Kendra Keefe for more information.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Thornton Dance offers private lessons. These are perfect for the dancer who is looking for extra help or needs more of a challenge. Private lessons can also be booked for dancers who are looking to learn and perform a solo/duo or trio at one of our upcoming performances or for a local talent show. Private lessons are scheduled based upon instructor availability and dance room availability.

For more information on our offerings, please visit gocot.net/dance. 🎭

BENEFITS OF DANCE

- increase self-confidence
- improve listening and self-discipline
- improve coordination and balance
- social interaction
- build interpersonal skills
- build teamwork
- increase physical activity
- increase expression of emotion
- increase body awareness
- spark creativity

DANCE STYLES THAT WE OFFER INSTRUCTION FOR

YOUTH

Ages walking-17 years

- Creative Movement
- Ballet
- Jazz
- Tap
- Lyrical
- Contemporary
- Hip-Hop
- Ballroom
- Musical Theater
- Adaptive dance

ADULTS

Ages 16+

- Tap





Thornton Parks, Recreation & Community Programs offer a variety of recreation facilities and amenities at three locations designed to have a little something for everyone! Each of our three facilities have a gymnasium which hosts different sports at dedicated times such as basketball, volleyball, pickleball and badminton.

TRAIL WINDS RECREATION CENTER

The new 87,000 square foot Trail Winds Recreation Center opened in November of 2019 has a fitness area with 40 pieces of cardio equipment, a Cybex weight training circuit, free weight area, indoor track, and outdoor fitness garden. The facility has three group fitness rooms for classes such as yoga, cycling, SilverSneakers™ and a Wellbeats virtual class system for individuals to use when organized classes are not scheduled. One of the three rooms is dedicated solely to Thornton's dance program. Trail Winds also offers an indoor playground completely free when not in use by the child care program as well as a 32 foot rock climbing wall.

The aquatics area consists of an activity pool for children, lap pool, wellness pool designed for patrons needing warmer temperatures, a hot tub and two slides.

The facility has a large meeting/activity room capable of being divided into three smaller private rooms each with its own kitchenette with a warming kitchen, performance platform and terrace.

In the Life Long Learning Wing, you will find an Active Adult Center for ages 62+ with a Wellness Suite with massage therapists, a podiatrist, an acupuncturist and a grief counselor. Adult enrichment programs are also offered. A licensed preschool is also hosted in this wing as well as child care for parents using the facility.

CARPENTER RECREATION CENTER

Similarly, the 78,780 square foot Carpenter Recreation Center (CRC) has a cardio area, a Matrix weight training circuit, free weight room, and an indoor track. CRC offers classes such as Bodypump, yoga, cycling and SilverSneakers™ in a dedicated group fitness room. The facility hosts three racquetballs courts as well. The lobby



Pamela Carson

Recreation Center Patron

"I'm almost 60 years old, a Thornton resident for over 30 years and a patron of the Carpenter Recreation Center since it opened in 1994.

The Carpenter and Trail Winds Recreation Centers provide a wide variety of classes, with great instructors. I've always been a fitness class girl. I need the instructor and social aspect I get from a class to keep me focused and motivated.

We're very fortunate to have these facilities in our community. The cost is reasonable, the locations are convenient and I highly recommend them to everyone."

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CARPENTER RECREATION CENTER

area has coffee service and an adult billiards room. CRC's pool is currently undergoing a \$15 million remodel planning on opening in 2021 which will include family locker rooms and a sauna and steam room.


A licensed preschool is also hosted within the facility as well as child care for parents using the facility. These two separate rooms adjoined by a common bathroom are designed for programmed classes and drop-in babysitting.

Carpenter Recreation Center also has a large meeting room with a catering kitchen, small stage, terrace with mountain-view and the capability of being divided into three smaller private rooms.

THORNTON COMMUNITY CENTER

Thornton Community Center has a fitness center, a gymnasium used for basketball, volleyball, pickleball and other various programs, a small conference space for up to 12 people, Youth & Teen Center for children ages 10-17 including an air hockey table, computer lab, pool tables, ping pong table and large screen TVs with gaming systems. The facility also houses the Thornton dance program, preschool program and food program for area youth. Through Food Bank of the Rockies, we provide a healthy snack to youth under the age of 18 Monday-Friday mornings and afternoons during the summer and afternoons only during the school-year.

The Youth & Teen Center is also home to the Thornton Youth Council who hold their bi-monthly meetings and engage in projects that benefit our community. The staff here also host Youth & Teen Center Happenings, such as cupcake decorating contests, video game competitions and writing workshops. In addition, there are Youth & Teen Nights that feature Nerf dart arenas, human foosball, and inflatable challenge arenas.

For more information on our facilities, please visit gocot.net/facilities. 

FITNESS & WELLNESS OFFERINGS

Thornton's fitness and wellness program has something for everyone! With our recent expansion we have several facilities, a wide-variety of group fitness classes and programs, knowledgeable fitness staff, and state of the art equipment. You are sure to find exactly what you need to meet your health and fitness goals.

GROUP FITNESS CLASSES

Group fitness classes are free of charge (with paid membership or pass) and are offered at a variety of times at Trail Winds, Carpenter and the Active Adult Recreation Centers. Classes include Functional Fitness, Cycle (Stages), Yoga, Pilates, SilverSneakers, Aqua, Zumba and many more. All classes are taught by certified group fitness instructors.

PERSONAL TRAINING

Staying motivated and accountable can often be an obstacle to staying fit and healthy. Both Trail Winds and Carpenter Recreation Centers offer personal training for an additional cost. All trainers are certified and have varying specialties to help meet your needs.

FITNESS ATTENDANTS

Trail Winds and Carpenter Recreation Centers have fitness staff available on the fitness floor ready to help with patrons fitness questions. This is a complimentary service included with your admission.





Thornton gymnastics offers a variety of team and individual opportunities at the Carpenter Recreation Center. We have an 8,000 sq. ft. studio dedicated to gymnastics offering a 30' tumbling trampoline, a 42'X42' spring floor, a vault table, five balance beams of varying heights, parallel bars, pommel horse, domes, rings, uneven bars, a climbing structure and sensory swings. Our gymnastics instructors are highly trained through continual spotting and technique clinics as well as trained and prepared to respond to any emergency that may arise in the gymnastics room or other areas of the facility. Safety is our top priority.

We offer an extensive gymnastics lesson program for tots, boys and girls including a year round CARA gymnastics team. We put over 4,200 children through our recreational classes throughout the year. Our phenomenal staff offer two levels of parent-tot class, three age groups of tot classes, and four recreational levels. We are proud to say any staff member can teach a variety of these levels. Sessions range in length from five weeks to 15 weeks. Classes are offered Monday-Friday in the morning, late afternoon and evening; as well as all day on Saturdays. Participants can sign up for one class a week or multiple classes per week. We also offer classes mid-day for participants that are home schooled. If group classes are not your style, our

gymnastics instructors are happy to provide you with private lessons or open gym style opportunities.

Ninety percent of our team participants, known as the Thornton Twisters, started in our recreational classes, moving up through the levels swiftly and continue to compete in our CARA team program. CARA, run by Colorado Parks and Recreation Association, is an awesome gymnastics league that offers the opportunity for gymnasts to compete in a recreational setting where the intensity of training is subdued. Our coaches attend trainings provided by the CARA gymnastics league, high school judges and top notch national instructors from USA Gymnastics. Team coaches strive to teach life lessons through team building, successes and



Kwanli Young
Gymnastics Instructor

"Thornton Gymnastics is special.

The program defies the individual feeling in gymnastics by creating a family feel.

Thornton Gymnastics is my home away from home."

Follow Kwanli's story in the Gymnastics Spotlight on the following page.

Please visit talents.thorntonco.gov and opt-in to the *Recreation* category to receive information about all of our programming, classes and special events!

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THORNTON TWISTERS GYMNASTICS TEAM

Guiding young lives through the sport of gymnastics.

failures, and goal setting/achieving.

They do this while having fun and teaching high level gymnastics skills/routines. Team gymnastics with the Thornton Twisters is a place to build relationships. Our motto is, Not Just a Team, a Family.

In addition to our CARA gymnastics team, we are proud to offer adaptive and inclusive gymnastics classes. Anyone can participate in gymnastics and the staff are trained to include kids with a variety of disabilities. With the addition of the Adaptive and Inclusive Recreation (AIR) section the gymnastics staff were able to begin offering classes designed with a variety of disabilities and conditions in mind.

Finally, if you think gymnastics is a fun activity, you should try gymnastics with 12 of your friends! Thornton gymnastics offers no-hassle gymnastics parties for children ages three and older. Bring your friends and your cameras. You and all your guests will spend an hour in the gymnastics room with a trained instructor to assist and guide you through obstacles, games and open gym play. If you prefer to stage your own celebration and conduct your party your way, we also have an option for you to rent the gymnastics room instead!

With all these offerings, it is safe to say that Thornton Gymnastics has an option for every youth and teen in your life. We see families of children go through our entire program from beginner to team participation on a regular basis and hope that you will consider our program when choosing a sport for your child.

For more information on our offerings, please visit gocot.net/gymnastics. 🌟

GYMNASTICS SPOTLIGHT

Some might ask why Thornton Gymnastics? Because gymnastics is more than a sport in Thornton's program. For example, here is the story of a cute little girl who entered our gymnastics room at the young age of seven determined to be the best cheerleader on her team. She asked the staff to teach her to tumble, but the staff immediately recognized her talent for gymnastics. She went on to join the Thornton gymnastics program moving up through the levels and eventually being invited to join the team at the age of eight.

Introducing Kwanli Young. Kwanli was already a driven, dedicated athlete with unparalleled determination. Thornton coaches knew it was their job to refine Kwanli's skills and guide her life through the sport of gymnastics. Unlike other recreational programs, Thornton staff are not afraid to send a gymnast to the next level even if that means private club gymnastics. Early in Kwanli's competitive gymnastics career, coaches informed her and her parents about the differences between recreational gymnastics and competitive programs. Kwanli's family was told she could be successful in the USA gymnastics competitive program which opens options for collegiate scholarships and they were provided with a picture of what the two different paths may look like for Kwanli. Ultimately, Kwanli decided to stick with Thornton Gymnastics where she continued to excel reaching the highest level of the CARA league, Optional 5.

Now a young lady, Kwanli is giving back to the Thornton gymnastics program as a coach. She started teaching recreational levels before her own career was done. Now you will find her working with the Thornton Twister team gymnasts. Kwanli is a beloved Compulsory 3 and Optional level coach.



AIR GYMNASTICS



Thornton Preschool Program offers several fun learning options for your children at all three of our centers. Our curriculum is aligned with the Colorado Early Learning and Development Guidelines (ELDG). These guidelines include indicators for children to practice in physical development, literacy, logic and reasoning, mathematics, science, social studies, creative arts expression, and approaches to learning. Further information on the ELDG can be found at earlylearningco.org. Our Preschool Program is rated through the Colorado Shines Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS). For more information visit coloradoshines.force.com.

EARLY PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

This program is available for 3-4-year-old children who miss the kindergarten cut-off and will attend preschool again next year. We emphasize social skills through play. The class focuses on classroom routines, shapes, colors, numbers and alphabet. We introduce sight words, letter sounds, sentence structure, and projects and activities aligned with the ELDG.

KINDER READINESS PROGRAM

This program prepares 4-5-year-old children for kindergarten through play-based, discovery learning opportunities. The class works on classroom routines and social skills and goes into depth with sight words, letter sounds and sentence structure, skills practice (like

cutting and gluing), and projects and activities aligned with the ELDG.

These two school-year classes include informative, fun and interactive events:

- Parent Trainings/Info Sessions- Orientation, Open House, classes through Early Childhood Partnership of Adams County
- Halloween Parades
- Thanksgiving Feasts
- Kinder Readiness WinterFest Performances
- Crafts with Santa
- Valentine's Day Parties
- Carnival
- Graduations



Jess Catalano
Preschool Parent

"Our family has been a part of the Thornton Preschool program since 2013. Each of our sons has had wonderful experiences and been well prepared for kindergarten. The teachers do a great job keeping the kids engaged and presenting learning in new and fun ways."

Please visit talerts.thorntonco.gov and opt-in to the *Recreation* category to receive information about all of our programming and classes.

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HALLOWEEN PARADES

Preschool classes are offered at three centers.

Preschool is an important stepping stone for children before heading to full-time school. Children explore, gain a sense of self, play with peers and build self-confidence. They work on important social emotional and problem solving skills through their play and interactions. Children also learn they can accomplish tasks and make decisions without the help of their parents. They experience classroom routines, procedures and rules which help them be successful entering their full-time elementary classrooms.

Additionally, TPRCP offers the following two options for preschool enrichment classes:

DELIGHTFUL DISCOVERIES

TPRCP offers an opportunity for parents to interact with their toddlers and other families while helping familiarize their children with a school setting. Delightful Discoveries class for children ages walking-3½ guides parents and toddlers through a different content area each week. Examples include homemade snacks, STEM, music, dance and movement and more. This class helps children and parents prepare for the classroom environment and get familiar with preschool staff.

LEARNING & LEAPING PAIRED CLASSES

If having more time to accomplish personal tasks while still expanding your child’s knowledge base interests you, our Learning & Leaping Paired Classes for children ages 3-6 years is for you! These paired classes include both preschool and dance programs for your child and our staff escort your child between the two classes for you.

For more information on our preschool program, please contact Sharon Juel, Preschool Director, at 720-977-5942 or sharon.juel@ThorntonCO.gov or visit gocot.net/preschool. 🌸

SPRING & SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS

Thornton offers a number of options for youth during the spring and summer months to keep them engaged, safe and having fun with their peers.

FULL-TIME SPRING & SUMMER CAMPS

SPRING BREAK CAMP

This program is designed for school-age youth, 5 (in kindergarten) to 13 years old. This fun-filled camp includes crafts, games, sports, cooking projects and outdoor play.

ADVENTURE CLUB & MY ESCAPE

This school-age program for youth having completed kindergarten through 13 years-old offers a fun-filled, full-day summer camp. They enjoy going on field trips playing games, participating in sports and doing arts and crafts.

PART-TIME SUMMER CAMPS

PRESCHOOL KID CAMP

Geared toward children between the ages of 2 ½-6 years old. Children practice letters and letter sounds, sight-words, numbers, colors and shapes in addition to center play and doing projects, fitness and outside play. This is the perfect camp for children to get used to preschool or continue their school year.

SCHOOL-AGE KID CAMP

This camp is for children ages 5-10, and offers more advanced activities for youth, including crafts, cooking projects, fitness, games and outdoor fun. This is a perfect camp for youth wanting to participate without needing full-day care.



PRESCHOOL GRADUATION



SPORTS COMPLEXES

Thornton's outdoor sports complexes are an integral part of the community. Not only do they offer our residents and neighboring communities a safe place to enjoy recreational and competitive sporting events, but they also help TPRCP to promote active and healthy lifestyles.

The venues we plan, fund, develop and operate are valuable investments and vital to our community. We know that sports will continue to play an important role in the lives of our residents well into the future.

NORTHERN LIGHTS BALLFIELDS

Northern Lights is a baseball/softball complex that is located at 13800 York St. There are eight fields, with six of the fields little league size, one full size baseball field and one ADA/tee ball size fields. There are also two, non-automated batting cages. The complex also features a pavilion which seats 40 people, inclusive covered playground and flush toilets.

RIVERWALK BALLFIELDS & BATTING CAGES

Riverwalk Batting Cages are one of Thornton's newest facilities located at 9830 Riverdale Rd. There are six arm-style pitching machines, which are preferred by a lot of professional players and coaches. Players gain the advantage of seeing each pitch

delivered as if it was from a live pitcher. Players gain the proper timing needed to know when to start to swing. There are three baseball and three softball cages at slow, medium and fast pitch varying from 45-60 MPH. The slow pitch softball pitches have an ark on the pitch. In the fall we convert one of the cages from fast pitch softball to a slow pitch softball to accommodate our city of Thornton slow pitch league, which are played at Riverwalk Fields. For safety precaution, everyone using the cages must wear a helmet. The helmets and bats can be checked out at the batting cage office. We also have a variety of concessions available.

There are four lighted ballfields that are primarily used for youth and adult programs for baseball and softball.



Dan Reuter

Batting Cages Patron

"I grew up in Thornton where I played Little League and high school baseball. Now I am playing in an adult baseball league for men age 58 and older.

We enjoy coming to the Riverwalk batting cages for batting practice. It helps a lot with our hitting. We get a lot of great pitches, the price is great and the service is very good!"

Please visit gis.cityofthornton.net/parkfinder for a complete listing of Thornton parks, fishing facilities, sports complexes and their amenities!

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NORTHERN LIGHTS BALLFIELDS

Promoting active and healthy lifestyles.

The picnic area has a pavilion that can be reserved and can seat up to 70 people. The inclusive playground for ages 5-12 year old has adaptive swings and other play features to accommodate those with special needs.

THORNTON SPORTS COMPLEX

Thornton Sports Complex is located at 10370 McKay Rd. There are four lighted multi-use fields. It is primarily permitted for baseball, softball and football. The complex also features a pavilion, which seats up to 40 people. It has flush toilets and a small covered baseball-themed playground near the primary fields.

TRAIL WINDS SPORTS COMPLEX

Thornton's Trail Winds Sports Complex is located at 13500 Holly St., adjacent to Trail Winds Recreation Center. This complex has four full size natural grass soccer/football fields and two full size synthetic turf soccer/football fields making this a prime destination for outdoor sports tournaments.

This gorgeous complex is very accommodating for large sports groups and families with its two large picnic pavilions that seat around 50 people each, two individual shade structures with picnic tables, flush toilets and a beautiful playground.

Besides being neighbors to Trail Winds Recreation Center, this complex is also shared by a very active skate park and a brand new popular dog park with ample parking for all users and programs. 🐕

BOOKING SPORTS COMPLEXES FOR YOUTH SPORTS OR TOURNAMENTS

Coming soon! We will have an online form to fill out and submit by email to request a practice field, game fields, tournaments and special events. This includes one-time use or multiple day use.

Certificate of Insurance is required from Youth Sports Groups, special events, and tournaments.

Due to high demands from our Recognized Youth Sports Groups, ongoing field rentals are not accepted from April 1-July 30. One time requests will be considered on an individual basis.

FACILITY TYPE	THORNTON RESIDENTS OR NONPROFITS	NONRESIDENTS
GRASS Soccer, Football, Lacrosse	\$20/hour per field Lights add \$30	\$30/hour per field Lights add \$30
SYNTHETIC TURF Soccer, Football, Lacrosse	\$20/hour per field Lights add \$30	\$50/hour per field Lights add \$30
NON-COMPLEX BASEBALL OR SOFTBALL FIELD	\$15/hour per field Lights add \$30	\$25/hour per field Lights add \$30
BASEBALL OR SOFTBALL FIELD IN A COMPLEX	\$20/hour per field Lights add \$30	\$30/hour per field Lights add \$30



TRAIL WINDS SPORTS COMPLEX



Explore, discover and pursue new interests! TPRCP is very proud to offer a variety of classes and workshops for all ages and abilities throughout the year. These classes are led by contractual individuals and organizations who share their knowledge and expertise with us and offer high-quality and interactive programs to the Thornton Community. Many of our enrichment offerings for both youth and adults, ages walking to 62+ are ongoing and offered all year long. A great deal of these ongoing classes teach and promote lifelong skills in the areas of arts and crafts, computer science and culinary skills, just to name a few.

ARTS & CRAFTS

The world of arts & crafts is so expansive and endless that there truly is something in it for everyone! With our program offerings, you can try your hand at drawing, painting, zentangle, pottery, ceramics, sewing, crochet and even fine arts. Nothing is more satisfying than making something with your own hands. Our classes are offered in a variety of media and taught by first-rate instructors. Open your creativity and have fun! You're bound to find a talent you never knew you had.

CULINARY CLASSES

Are you the type of person that watches a cooking show thinking "I could never do that." No need to think that way any longer! TPRCP offers a variety of hands-on cooking classes in themes ranging

from seasonal cooking to global cuisine. The best way to learn is often by doing. Cooking classes can be a fun, engaging way to learn new skills in a hands-on environment.

FINANCIAL

To address our patrons financial interests, we continually offer classes in Real Estate, Estate Planning and Coin Collecting as well as conduct regular Willmaker Legal Seminars. A long-time customer of our real estate classes shares, "I've been a client and student of Jim's for about 20 years. I first took his classes on the basics and property management which gave me the confidence to begin with a couple of single family homes- those are paid off now and I do my own management. A well run, investor friendly class for sure."



Lynda B.
Parent

"My daughter actually thinks that she is a real doctor. She carries around her stethoscope and first aid kit in case someone gets hurt and has found a new confidence about visiting our pediatrician after attending Little Medical School."

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Please visit talerts.thorntonco.gov and opt-in to the *Recreation* category to receive information about all of our programming and classes.



GALLERY ON THE GO

HEALTH, NUTRITION AND FITNESS

You have important reasons to stay healthy- for your family, your work and more. TPRCP classes cover a broad spectrum of health topics including Diabetes Self-Management, Essential Oils, Grief Recovery Action, Journey to Wellness, and an ongoing Nutrition Series.

INNER-GENERATIONAL CLASSES

We also offer a few inner-generational classes where youth and an adult can participate alongside each other. A few offering examples are JumpBunch Parent-Tot, My First Abrakadoodle and Adult/Child Pottery.

SAFETY & FIRST AID

Another example of a lifelong skill is in the area of personal safety. TPRCP offers a wide-variety of classes for all ages and abilities that address this topic. These include AARP Driver Safety, CPR & First Aid Training, AED Training, Wilderness and Remote First Aid and CPR as well as Hunter Safety.

YOUTH ENRICHMENT

Our Youth Enrichment classes can vary by season. In the summer, we have several offerings that have a half-day, full-week, camp feel to them. This includes, but is not limited to, Playwell LEGO®, Codespire computers and Incrediflix film. Our year round programming includes Artsy Kids and Abrakadoodle painting, Language World Spanish, JumpBunch sports, Alive at 25 safe driving and Little Medical School nursing, dental and veterinary classes.

These classes are held at the Thornton Active Adult Center (AAC), Thornton Community Building (TCB), Thornton Arts and Culture Center (TACC), Carpenter Recreation Center (CRC), Thornton Community Center (TCC) and Trail Winds Recreation Center (TWRC).

For more information on our offerings, please visit gocot.net/enrichment. 🌻

**HELP OTHERS GROW!
OUR SEARCH FOR NEW INSTRUCTORS**

Do you have a hobby, talent, skill or area of expertise that you would like to teach to others? We are looking for instructors with fresh ideas and knowledge to share!

Our goal is to provide an opportunity for people in the community to learn easily and inexpensively from others with skills and interests to share.

These classes could include, but are not limited to:

- arts and crafts
- communication skills
- dance
- culinary
- foreign language
- genealogy
- home decorating
- home improvement
- horticulture and gardening
- music
- nature
- personal development
- photography
- self-defense
- writing



BREAD BAKING



Participation in sports programs can be extremely beneficial for the mental and physical health of individuals. By participating in team and individual sports programs, we learn valuable lessons we can use throughout our life such as—how hard work and practice can translate into achieving our goals; the value of working together as a team and the consequences of not working together; the benefits of getting stronger through exercise and exposure to fresh air and sunshine; what it feels like to succeed and to fail and to resolve to try harder next time and more.

CARA SPORTS PROGRAMS

Colorado Association of Recreational Athletics (CARA) is a group of cities and special recreation districts that have banded together to offer a variety of sports programs to youth throughout the state. The programs are recreational in nature and designed to introduce young boys and girls to the specific sport they are interested in with the focus on sportsmanship.

CARA TRACK AND FIELD

For over four decades, the city has offered a youth track and field program every summer. CARA Track is open to boys and girls ages 5-16. Events offered include 50-1600 meter runs, relays, standing long jump, running long jump, high jump, baseball/softball throw, shot put and discus.

CARA TENNIS

Thornton has participated in the CARA Tennis program since 1988. The team is open to boys and girls ages 8-18 years old. Some prior tennis experience is required, but there are various skill levels in each age group. The program starts in June and culminates in the State Tournament in the last week of July. In 2019, Thornton had a record total of 27 players make the semi-finals and seven state champions!

CARA SWIM TEAM

Please see page 27 for details.

CARA GYMNASTICS

Please see page 32 for details

TENNIS LESSONS

The instructional lesson program held at the Eastlake tennis courts, is open to boys and girls ages 5-16 during the months of June and July. No prior tennis experience is required.



Madison Fischer
Tennis Instructor

"I have been a part of the CARA Tennis Program for the last 20 years. Through years of being on the team I learned a lot of tennis skills from very dedicated Thornton tennis coaches and made many life-long friends.

I have worked my way up to being the head coach of the CARA Tennis Team and have combined my tennis knowledge and CARA experience to help the team excel each year."

To find out more about our Youth & Adult Sports offerings, please look for our seasonal brochure containing details, fees and schedules.

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CARA TENNIS

Teaching the value of working together as a team.

GIRLS FASTPITCH SOFTBALL

In the mid-1980s several parents got together and asked the city to start a girl’s softball program. In 1985, Thornton started with four teams and by 2016, the league had grown to 44 teams and over 550 participants.

Divisions include tee-ball (ages 4-5), coach pitch (ages 6-7) and player pitch (ages 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, and 14-17).

THORNTON SPORTS ACADEMIES

This eight-week program for boys and girls ages 5-18, is designed to teach kids the fundamentals of various different sports including baseball, basketball, lacrosse, soccer, tennis, volleyball and more. Instructors include certified trainers and athletes who have competed at the collegiate and professional level.

ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUES

Basketball leagues are offered at the Thornton Community Center for adults age 16 years and older. Registration is in December and league play is January-March.

ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Adult Coed and Men’s Softball Leagues are offered at Riverwalk Ball Field complex in the summer and fall. Registration for summer is in April with games May-July and registration for fall is in August for games in September-October.

ICY BLAST RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT

The Icy Blast Racquetball Tournament is held at Carpenter Recreation Center on the third weekend in January, with registration happening in December.

Mens and womens singles and coed doubles divisions are offered to players of all skill levels.

OUTSIDE SPORTS GROUPS

Thornton supports a variety of youth athletic programs in cooperation with community based service organizations. Below is a list of these programs that are managed by outside organizations.

NORTHERN LIGHTS LITTLE LEAGUE

303-503-7428 | northernlightslittleleague.com

NORTH DENVER RUSH SOCCER CLUB

720-624-9000 | northdenverrush.com

NORTH METRO JUNIOR FOOTBALL

303-514-9566 | nmfljags@hotmail.com

NORTH THORNTON BASEBALL & SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

720-690-9919 | ntbsa.us

COLORADO RAPIDS YOUTH SOCCER CLUB

720-929-8159 | rapidsyouthsoccer.org/north/

THORNTON BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

thorntonbaseball.org

THORNTON BOXING

303-505-5418 | thorntonboxinggym.com

THORNTON TENNIS ASSOCIATION

720-257-2366 | ThorntonTennis.com

THORNTON YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

720-690-9949 | thorntonyouthbasketball.net

THORNTON JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE


303-648-5186 | tjfl.org

YMCA ADAMS COUNTY PROGRAM OFFICE

303-452-9622 | denverymca.org/adams-county

THORNTON ESPORTS

Esports leagues, are one of the fastest-growing programs in the world. TPRCP has partnered with an outside vendor to offer a variety of online gaming leagues for participants of all ages and ability levels. Games such as Mario Kart, Super Smash Brothers, Rocket League, NBA2K, FIFA, NHL, Madden Football, Fortnite and Call of Duty are available now with more options being added in the future. Registration is taken, games are scheduled, standings are posted, there is a tournament at the end and a champion is crowned. League fees start at just \$5. Go to missioncontrol.gg/play, download the app and search for City of Thornton.

For more information on our offerings, please visit gocot.net/adultsports and gocot.net/youthsports. 



YOUTH & TEENS

The Thornton Youth & Teen Center is just the place for participants ages 10-17! The Youth & Teen Center offers fun and interactive amenities such as an air hockey table, pool tables, ping pong, a computer lab, various gaming systems and video games, large screen TVs, board games and plenty of seating for studying, visiting and lounging with friends. All you need is a current Thornton Youth & Teen Center photo ID for daily admission. The IDs are valid for one year from date of purchase.

YOUTH & TEEN CENTER HAPPENINGS

The annual pass to the Youth & Teen Center not only offers the before-mentioned admission and amenities, there are plenty of fun activities included with your admission. Join us during the school year in the early evenings for Youth & Teen Center Happenings and enjoy such activities as Hot Dogs & Bingo, Fall Food & Stained Glass Leaves, Cupcake Decorating Contests and Holiday Cookies & Photo Booth.

During the spring, summer and winter breaks, when school is closed and local youth are looking for fun and engaging safe activities, we offer Youth Shenanigans to include fun snacks, games, activities, crafts, parties and contracted services like inflatables, on-site mini-golf and life-sized games.

YOUTH & TEEN MEAL SERVICE

We are very proud to offer a no cost meal service for our young patrons. These are healthy, shelf-stable meals provided by Food Bank of the Rockies. Meals are available for all youth up to 18-years-old on school days from 3-7 p.m. and during the summer from 8-10 a.m. and 3-7 p.m.

THORNTON YOUTH COUNCIL

Middle school and high school youth who maintain a 2.0 or higher GPA and who are interested in being leaders in our community can join the Thornton Youth Council. The Thornton Youth Council is responsible for hosting events such as the Anti-Grinch Project, Writing Workshop and even a Monster Makeover! In addition to these passion projects, they volunteer in our community and at our special events.



Jessica Bloom
Parent of Youth/Teen

"Thornton offers a wide variety of hidden gems for the pre-teen and teenage age groups, many of which offer ways to engage the community in unique ways.

We have enjoyed watching our civically minded kids have opportunities to participate on teen council and in community happenings.

Our family enjoys these opportunities to be involved, give back and recreate in ways that help us continue to be active members of our community and ensures that our children love the city they call home."

Please visit talerts.thorntonco.gov and opt-in to the *Recreation* category to receive information about all of our programming, classes, facilities and special events!

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SUMMER OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Thornton Parks, Recreation & Community Programs offers two free outreach programs to our community during the summer months to bring fun activities and sports programs to areas that may not otherwise have fun recreative outlets available for local youth.

PORTABLE PLAYGROUND

Portable Playground tours the city throughout the summer visiting Thornton apartment complexes, manufactured home communities and local parks.

This free drop-in program gives children the opportunity to get a fresh healthy meal and participate in a fun activity. Activities include coloring, individual crafts and group games.

SOUTHERN STARS

This amazing program allows youth an opportunity to hang out with Thornton Recreation staff in the summer and fill their afternoons with fun physical activity, recreational sports, games and exercises in a safe, secure and supervised environment. We focus on teamwork, teach the rules and engage all youth in activities that they help choose.

Visit thorntonparks.com for a complete schedule and additional details.

So many activities for area youth and teens ages 10-17!

YOUTH & TEEN NIGHTS

Our creatively fun Youth & Teen Nights are held after hours one Saturday a month January through March and September through November for youth ages 10-17 years for a nominal fee. Youth & Teen Nights feature

Halloween Costume Contests, Laser Tag and Inflatable Obstacle Courses along with an opportunity to participate in activities, games, and crafts while enjoying a night out with friends in a safe supervised environment! Affordable snacks are also available during these nights.

We also offer an afternoon Easter EggCessible EggStravanza flashlight egg hunt and Nerf® Dart Arena as an added event in the spring.

YOUTH & TEEN VOLUNTEER CORPS

During the summer months, TPRCP offers local youth a great opportunity to volunteer in a group format. Thornton Youth and Teen Volunteer Corps is a free program for youth ages 11-18 years and is housed out of the Community Center. Using an easy-to-learn and efficient weekly sign-up system, participants can choose to register from a list of volunteer projects and programs such as working at a local animal shelter, playing board games with local senior citizens, volunteering with TPRCP's summer Portable Playground program, assisting with essential maintenance projects within the Thornton parks system and much more! Staff transport and accompany youth to each volunteer project in order to assist and supervise them through each process. Many of the volunteer projects can apply to the participating volunteer's academic volunteer credit at their local school.

For more information on our offerings, please visit gocot.net/youthandteens. 🌟





In 1996, the Thornton City Council wanted to create a unique and special event to celebrate the city's 40th anniversary. City staff then produced Thorntonfest, a special event free to the public that would encourage neighbors to come together to celebrate our community. More than two decades later, Thorntonfest has grown into one of the most popular events in the north metro area and includes entertainment stages, a Car Show, Paw Fest featuring pet and animal-related exhibits, 125 exhibitor booths, 75 crafters, children's amusements and lots of family fun.

Throughout the year, Thornton hosts four large festivals: **Thorntonfest** in early June, **Fourth of July Celebration**, **Harvest Fest** in September and **WinterFest** in December. Thornton's festivals have attracted over 50,000 people and spawned several other special events throughout the year.

CELEBRATING CULTURAL DIVERSITY

A central part of Thornton's events is celebrating the history and cultural diversity. Our festivals have included a children's Fishing Derby, The Great Chili Cook-Off to benefit the Marc Jr. Foundation and a Skate Park competition. Festivals also feature local entertainment and cultural dance acts, Hispanic Heritage Celebration and children's attractions.

HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS

Thornton has also embraced festivals as a way to celebrate various holidays throughout the year. WinterFest, a holiday-themed "Santa's Village", has created a festive and magical experience that filled everyone with the holiday spirit on the Carpenter Park Fields during the winter months. Events like this create an opportunity for businesses, organizations and community members to share in the holiday cheer. The Fourth of July has also historically been an opportunity for the community to gather and be entertained throughout the evening and into the night by walk-around performers, live bands, nighttime sky divers and a fabulous fireworks show.

FUN-FILLED SPECIAL EVENTS

Our special events truly reinforce the underlying value of establishing a sense of community in Thornton. Many of our special events are primarily geared towards children and families and are scheduled in a specifically tailored venue for people of all ages and abilities. Furry residents have been able to get in on the fun with Paws for a Dip, giving friendly dogs the opportunity to play in City Pool for an afternoon after it has been closed for the season to the public. Several other special events are held throughout the year in various places around town.

Created to celebrate the underlying value of community, and giving neighbors and families a unique space to come together, these festivals and special events are some of what makes Thornton special.

SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

For companies looking for an alternative method to communicate their messages, sponsorship is the perfect environment. Sponsorship speaks to the public, not at them, creating opportunities for a two-way dialogue between you and your customers.

Please visit us online at gocot.net/festivals and/or follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/cotevents for event information and updates.

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THORNTON PARKS, RECREATION & COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

By the Numbers!

92  **PARKS**

2,500  **ACRES OF PARKLAND**

200+  **MILES OF TRAILS & BIKE LANES**

3  **FISHING FACILITIES**

1  **DOG PARK**

2  **OUTDOOR POOLS + 2 AQUATIC CENTERS**

1  **BLOCK PARTY TRAILER**

OVER \$150 **PER CAPITA SPENDING**

1  **AMPHITHEATER**

29  **FULL-TIME STAFF**

1  **YOUTH & TEEN CENTER**

1  **SPRAYGROUND**

3  **SKATE PARKS**

1  **CAROUSEL**

1  **DISC GOLF COURSE**

1  **GOLF COURSE**

4  **ATHLETIC COMPLEXES**


93% of Thornton residents live within a ten-minute walk of a park or green space.

2  **FULLY ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUNDS**

1  **DRONE PARK**

AIR 1  **ADAPTIVE & INCLUSIVE RECREATION PROGRAM**

1  **ACTIVE ADULT CENTER**

16  **TENNIS COURTS**

3  **RECREATION CENTERS**

1  **ARTS & CULTURE CENTER**

1  **COMMUNITY RESOURCES DIVISION**

7  **RENTABLE PAVILIONS**

\$16,484,575 **2020 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET**

1  **BASEBALL PRACTICE FACILITY**

 **THORNTON**
PARKS, RECREATION & COMMUNITY PROGRAMS
 **City of Thornton**

\$25,530,998
2020 OPERATING BUDGET

90-95% of people surveyed rated TPRCP in the GOOD-GREAT category!

125  **PART-TIME/SEASONAL STAFF**



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CAMPO DE GOLF THORNCREEK
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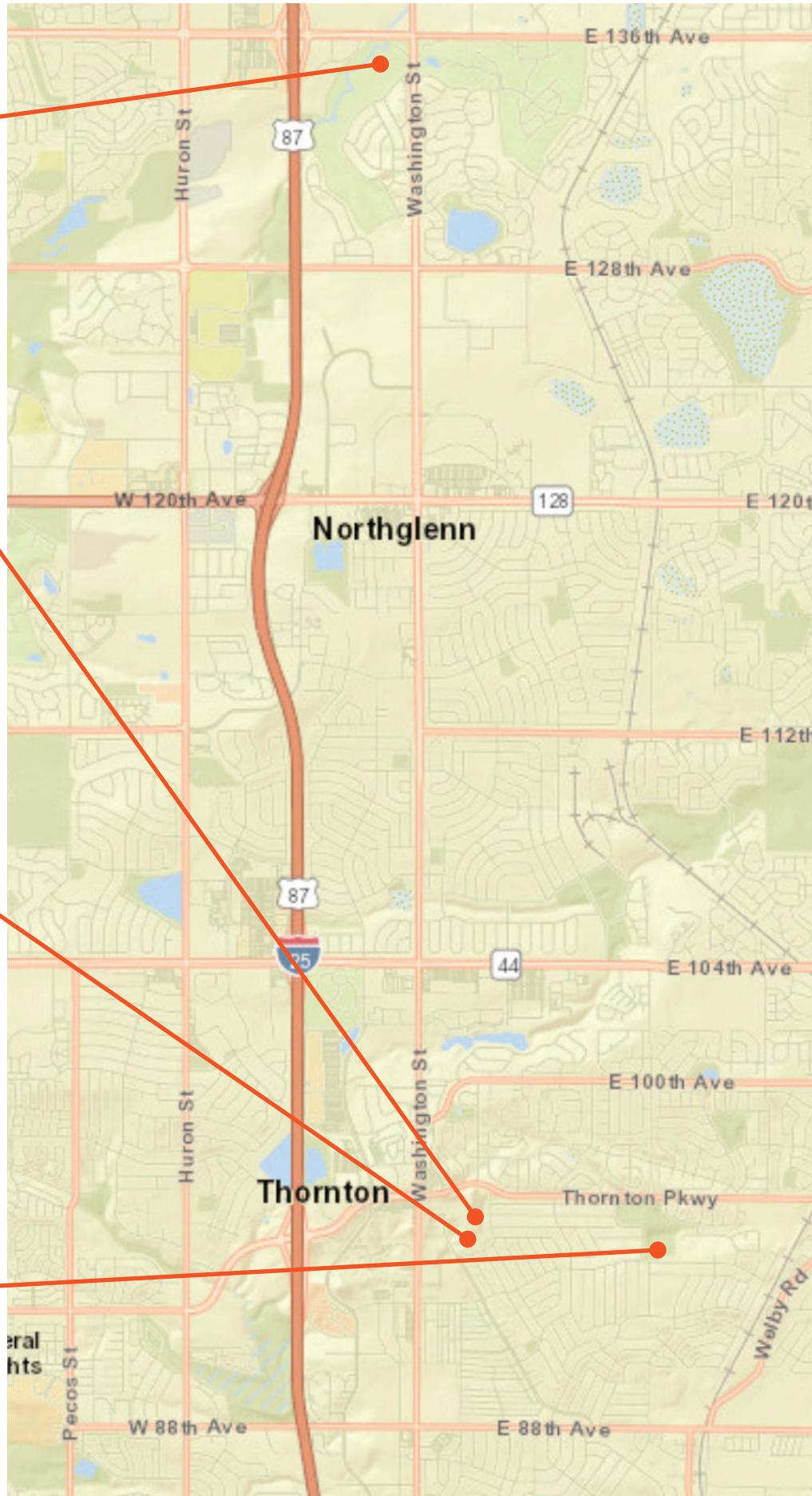
COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS CENTER
CENTRO DE ENLACES COMUNITARIOS
9471 Dorothy Blvd. • 720-977-5800

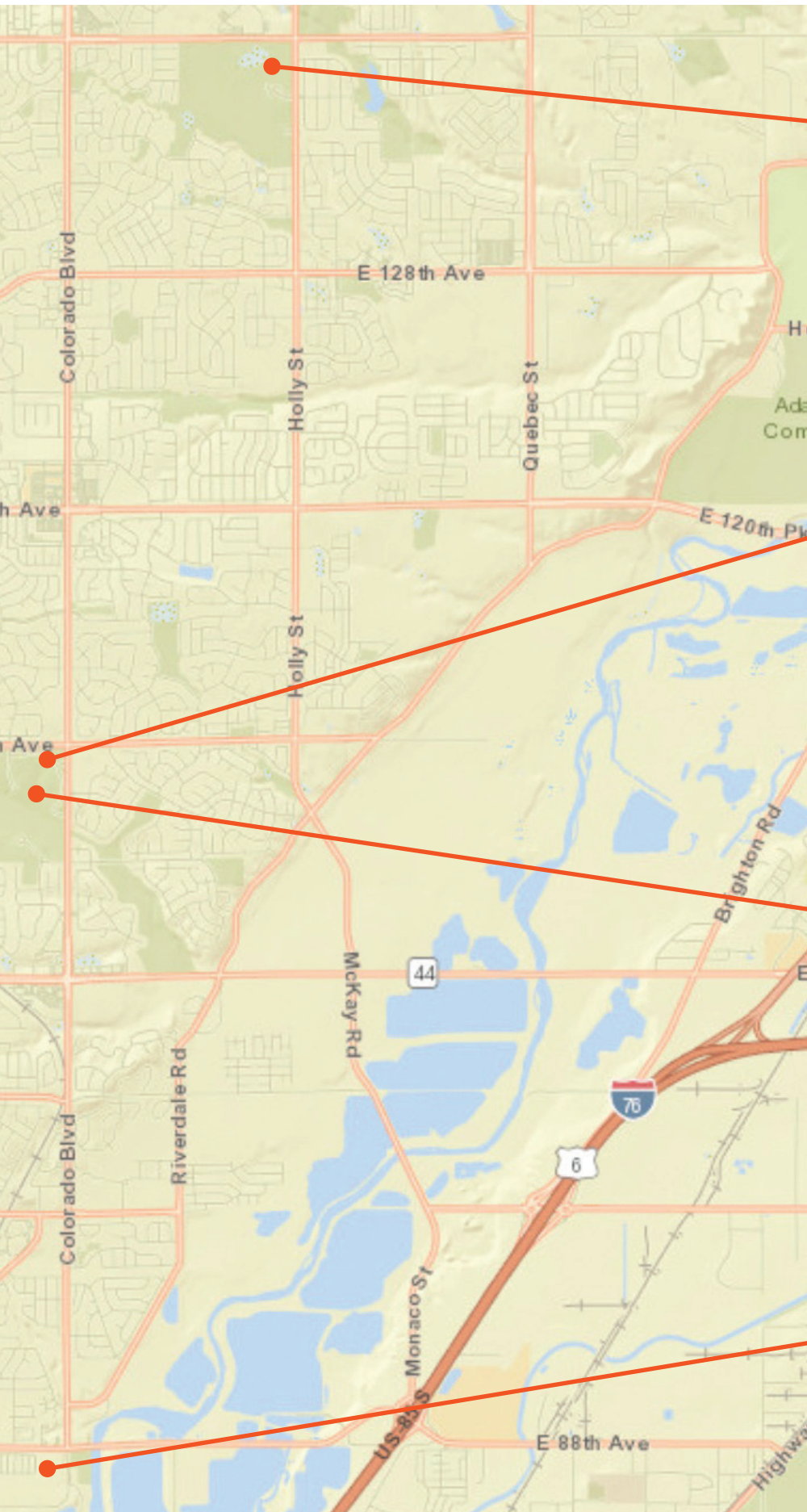


THORNTON ARTS & CULTURE CENTER
CENTRO DE ARTES Y CULTURA DE THORNTON
9209 Dorothy Blvd. • 720-977-5880



THORNTON COMMUNITY CENTER
CENTRO COMUNITARIO DE THORNTON
2211 Eppinger Blvd. • 303-255-7830





TRAIL WINDS RECREATION CENTER
CENTRO RECREATIVO TRAIL WINDS
13495 Holly St. • 720-977-5700



ACTIVE ADULT CENTER
CENTRO PARA ADULTOS ACTIVOS
11181 Colorado Blvd. • 303-255-7850



CARPENTER RECREATION CENTER
CENTRO RECREATIVO CARPENTER
11151 Colorado Blvd. • 303-255-7800



PARKS SHOPS
TALLERES DE PARQUES
8651 Colorado Blvd. • 303-538-PARK (7275)

PARQUES, RECREACIÓN Y PROGRAMAS COMUNITARIOS DE THORNTON

En cifras!

92  **PARQUES**

2  **PARQUES AL AIRE LIBRE + 2 CENTROS ACUÁTICOS**

1  **CENTRO PARA NIÑOS Y ADOLESCENTES**

1  **CAMPO DE GOLF**

1  **COMPLEJOS DEPORTIVOS**

1  **PROGRAMA DE RECREACIÓN ADAPTATIVA E INCLUSIVA**

1  **CENTRO DE ARTES Y CULTURA**

2,500  **ACRES DE PARQUES**

1  **REMOLOQUE PARA FIESTAS DEL VECINDARIO**

3  **PARQUES DE PATINAJE**

1  **ÁREA DE ROCIO**

4  **COMPLEJOS DEPORTIVOS**

1  **CENTRO PARA ADULTOS ACTIVOS**

1  **DIVISIÓN DE RECURSOS COMUNITARIOS**

7  **PABELLONES ALQUILABLES**

\$25,530,998 **DE PRESUPUESTO DE OPERACION**


2020

1  **PARQUE PARA PERROS**

Más de 200 **MILLAS DE SENDEROS Y CICLOPISTAS**

MÁS DE \$150 **EN GASTO PER CAPITA**

3  **CARUSEL**

2  **JUEGOS INFANTILES TOTALMENTE ACCESIBLES**

16  **CANCHAS DE TENIS**

3  **CENTROS RECREATIVOS**


\$16,484,575 **DE PRESUPUESTO DE MEJORAS DE CAPITAL**

2020

3  **ESPACIOS PARA PESCA**

1  **ANFITEATRO**


1  **CAMPO DE GOLF DE DISCO**

1  **PARQUE PARA DRONES**

1  **CENTROS RECREATIVOS**

1  **CENTRO DE MEJORAS DE CAPITAL**

1  **CENTRO DE PRÁCTICAS DE BEISBOL**

125  **EMPLEADOS DE TIEMPO PARCIAL/TEMPORALES**

EXCELENTE!
la categoría BUENO- calificaron a TPRCP en personas encuestadas
!90-95% de las

City of Thornton

THORNTON PARKS, RECREATION & COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



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Visite nuestro sitio de internet en gocoloradonet.com y siganos en Facebook en [facebook.com/cotevents](https://www.facebook.com/cotevents) para ver información sobre los eventos y las novedades.

EVENTOS ESPECIALES LLENOS DE DIVERSIÓN

Nuestros eventos especiales realmente refuerzan el valor de establecer un sentido de comunidad en Thornton. Muchos de nuestros eventos especiales se dirigen principalmente a niños y familias, y se programan en locales preparados específicamente para personas de todas las edades y capacidades. Los residentes pequeños han podido participar en la diversión con Paws for a Dip, un evento en el que los perros amistosos pueden jugar en la piscina de la ciudad por una tarde, después de que termina la temporada de servicio al público. Se celebran otros eventos especiales a lo largo del año en diferentes partes de la ciudad. Creados para celebrar el valor de la comunidad y para dar a vecinos y familias un espacio único de unión, estos festivales y eventos especiales son parte de lo que hace tan especial a Thornton.

PROGRAMA DE PATROCINIOS

Un patrocinio es el ambiente perfecto para las compañías que buscan un método alternativo para comunicar sus mensajes. Los patrocinios conectan con el público y crean la oportunidad de un diálogo entre usted y sus clientes.

En 1996, el Concejo Municipal de Thornton quería crear un evento único y especial para celebrar el aniversario 40 de la ciudad. El personal de la Ciudad entonces produjo Thorntonfest, un evento especial y gratuito para el público en general, que alentaría a los vecinos a reunirse para celebrar nuestra comunidad. Más de dos décadas después, Thorntonfest ha crecido y se ha convertido en uno de los eventos más populares en el norte del área metropolitana, e incluye escenas con entretenimiento, una exposición de automóviles, Paw Fest con exposiciones relacionadas con mascotas y animales, 125 puestos de expositores, 75 puestos de artesanías, juegos infantiles y mucha diversión para toda la familia.

A lo largo del año Thornton organiza cuatro grandes festivales: **Thorntonfest** a principios de junio, la **celebración del Cuatro de Julio**, **Harvest Fest** en septiembre y **WinterFest** en diciembre. Los festivales de Thornton han atraído a más de 50,000 personas y generado otros eventos especiales a lo largo del año.

CELEBRANDO LA DIVERSIDAD CULTURAL

Una parte central de los eventos de Thornton es celebrar la historia y la diversidad cultural. Nuestros festivales han incluido una competencia de pesca para niños, la gran competencia de chili a beneficio de la Fundación Marc Jr. y una competencia en el parque de patinaje. Los festivales también tienen presentaciones de artistas locales y bailes culturales, una celebración del legado hispano y atracciones infantiles.

CELEBRACIONES DE DÍAS FESTIVOS

Thornton también ha adoptado los festivales como una manera de celebrar diversos días festivos a lo largo del año. WinterFest, una "aldea de Santa" con tema navideño, ha creado una experiencia festiva y mágica que llena a todos con el espíritu navideño en los campos del Parque Carpenter durante los meses de invierno. Eventos como este crean oportunidades para que empresas, organizaciones y miembros de la comunidad compartan la alegría navideña. El Cuatro de Julio también ha sido una oportunidad para que la comunidad se reúna y se divierta al atardecer y por la noche con artistas ambulantes, bandas en vivo, paracaidistas nocturnos y un fabuloso espectáculo de fuegos artificiales.





CENTRO PARA NIÑOS Y ADOLESCENTES

¡Tantas actividades para niños y adolescentes de 10-17 años!

NOCHES PARA NIÑOS Y ADOLESCENTES
 Nuestras creativas y divertidas noches para niños y adolescentes de 10-17 años de edad se llevan a cabo después de la hora de cierre del centro, un sábado al mes, de enero a marzo y de septiembre a noviembre, con un costo simbólico. Las noches para niños y adolescentes incluyen concursos de disfraces de Halloween, laser tag y pistas de obstáculos inflables, además de la oportunidad de participar en actividades, juegos y manualidades, todo ello mientras disfruta una noche con amigos en ambiente seguro y con supervisión! En estas noches también se ofrecen refrigerios económicos.

También ofrecemos la cacería de huevos de Pascua con linternas Easter EggCessible Eggstravanza y una arena con dados Nerf® Dart Arena como evento adicional en la primavera.

CUERPO DE VOLUNTARIOS PARA JÓVENES Y ADOLESCENTES
 Durante los meses de verano, TPRCP ofrece a los jóvenes de la localidad una excelente oportunidad de voluntariado en grupo. El Cuerpo de Voluntarios de Jóvenes y Adolescentes de Thornton es un programa gratuito para jóvenes de 11 a 18 años de edad con sede en el Centro Comunitario. Usando un sistema de registro semanal eficiente y fácil de aprender, los participantes pueden decidir registrarse en una lista de proyectos y programas de voluntariado, como trabajar en un refugio de animales de la localidad, jugar juegos de mesa con adultos mayores, trabajar como voluntarios durante el verano en el programa de juegos infantiles portátiles de TPRCP, ayudar en proyectos de mantenimiento esencial del sistema de parques de Thornton, ¡y mucho más! Nuestro personal transporta y acompaña a los jóvenes a cada proyecto de voluntariado, para ayudarles y supervisarlos en cada proceso. Muchos de los proyectos de voluntariado pueden aplicarse al crédito académico de voluntariado en las escuelas de la localidad.

Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrecemos, visite gocot.net/youthansteens.



PROGRAMA DE VERANO SOUTHERN STARS

Este asombroso programa les da a los jóvenes la oportunidad de convivir con el personal de Recreación de Thornton en el verano y de ocupar sus tardes con divertidas actividades físicas, deportes recreativos, juegos y ejercicios, en un entorno seguro, protegido y supervisado. Nos enfocamos en el trabajo en equipo, enseñamos las reglas y fomentamos la participación de todos los jóvenes en las actividades que ayudan a escoger.

Visite thorntonparks.com para ver un calendario completo y detalles adicionales.

SOUTHERN STARS

Este programa gratuito y sin necesidad de registrarse ofrece a los niños la oportunidad de recibir una comida saludable fresca y participar en una actividad divertida. Las actividades incluyen colorear, manualidades individuales y juegos en grupo.

JUEGOS INFANTILES PORTÁTILES

Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios de Thornton ofrece dos programas gratuitos de extensión y alcance comunitario en los meses de verano, para llevar actividades divertidas y programas deportivos a zonas que de otra manera quizá no tendrían actividades recreativas para los niños y adolescentes locales.

PROGRAMAS DE VERANO DE EXTENSIÓN Y ALCANCE

!Visite talents.thorntonco.gov y suscríbese a la categoría Recreation para recibir información sobre todos nuestros programas, clases, instalaciones y eventos especiales!

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Mamá de niños/adoloscetes
 "Thornton ofrece una amplia variedad de gemas ocultas para los preadoloscetes y adoloscetes, y muchas de ellas ofrecen maneras de participar en la comunidad de maneras únicas.
 Hemos disfrutado al ver a nuestros niños, que tienen conciencia cívica, tener oportunidades de participar en el consejo de adoloscetes y en eventos comunitarios.
 Nuestra familia disfruta estas oportunidades de participar, recibir y divertirse de maneras que nos permiten seguir siendo miembros activos de nuestra comunidad y que garantizan que nuestros niños amen la ciudad en la que viven".



Jessica Bloom

CONSEJO JUVENIL DE THORNTON
 Los estudiantes de secundaria y preparatoria que mantengan un GPA de 2.0 o más y que estén interesados en ser líderes de nuestra comunidad pueden unirse al Consejo Juvenil de Thornton. El Consejo Juvenil de Thornton es responsable de organizar eventos como el Proyecto Anti-Griñch, talleres de escritura, ¡e incluso un Monster Makeover! Además de estos interesantes proyectos, son voluntarios en nuestra comunidad y en nuestros eventos especiales.

SERVICIO DE COMIDA PARA NIÑOS Y ADOLESCENTES
 Nos enorgullece ofrecer un servicio de comidas gratuitas para nuestros jóvenes participantes. Se trata de comidas saludables y no perecederas provistas por Food Bank of the Rockies. Las comidas están disponibles para todos los jóvenes hasta los 18 años de edad en días de escuela de 3-7 p.m. y durante el verano de 8-10 a.m. y de 3-7 p.m.

EVENTOS DEL CENTRO PARA NIÑOS Y ADOLESCENTES
 El pase anual al Centro para Niños y Adolescentes no solo permite el ingreso y las actividades antes mencionadas, sino que incluye muchas actividades divertidas. Acompañenos durante el año escolar en los eventos vespertinos del Centro para Niños y Adolescentes y disfrute de actividades como hot dogs y bingó, comida de otoño y hojas hechas en vidrio de color, concursos de decoración de pasteillos, y galletitas navideñas y caseta fotográfica.
 Durante las vacaciones de primavera, verano e invierno, cuando las escuelas están cerradas y los jóvenes de la localidad buscan actividades seguras, divertidas e interesantes, ofrecemos Youth Shenanigans que incluyen refrigerios divertidos, juegos, actividades, manualidades, fiestas y servicios contratados, como inflables, golf miniatura en el sitio y juegos de tamaño real.



NIÑOS Y ADOLESCENTES

Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrecemos, visite gocot.net/adultsports y gocot.net/youthsports.

Las ligas de deportes electrónicos son uno de los programas en más rápido crecimiento en el mundo. TPRCP se ha asociado con un proveedor externo para ofrecer una variedad de ligas de juegos en línea para participante de todas las edades y niveles de habilidad. Ya hay disponibles juegos como Mario Kart, Super Smash Brothers, Rocket League, NBA2K, FIFA, NHL, Madden Football, Fortnite y Call of Duty, y se añadirán más opciones en el futuro. Se hacen las inscripciones, se programan los juegos, se publican las posiciones, hay un torneo al final y se corona un campeón. El costo de inscripción en la liga inicia en solo \$5. Visite missioncontrol.gg/play, descargue la aplicación móvil y busque City of Thornton.

DEPORTES ELECTRÓNICOS DE THORNTON

Thornton apoya una variedad de programas atléticos para jóvenes en cooperación con las organizaciones de servicio de la comunidad. A continuación se presenta una lista de estos programas administrados por organizaciones externas.

DEPORTES EXTERNOS

NORTHERN LIGHTS LITTLE LEAGUE

303-503-7428 | northernlightslittleleague.com

NORTH DENVER RUSH SOCCER CLUB

720-624-9000 | northdenverrush.com

NORTH METRO JUNIOR FOOTBALL

303-514-9566 | nmifjags@hotmail.com

NORTH THORNTON BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

720-690-9919 | ntbsa.us

COLORADO RAPIDS YOUTH SOCCER CLUB

720-929-8159 | rapidsyouthsoccer.org/north/

THORNTON BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

thorntonbaseball.org

THORNTON BOXING

303-505-5418 | thorntonboxinggym.com

THORNTON TENNIS ASSOCIATION

720-257-2366 | ThorntonTennis.com

THORNTON YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

720-690-9949 | thorntonyouthbasketball.net

THORNTON JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE

303-648-5186 | tjfl.org

OFICINA DE PROGRAMAS DE LA YMCA

EN EL CONDADO DE ADAMS

303-452-9622 | denverymca.org/adams-county



TENIS DE CARA

Enseñamos el valor de trabajar en equipo.

SOFTBOL FEMENIL CON LANZAMIENTO RÁPIDO

A mediados de la década de 1980 varios padres se reunieron y le pidieron a la ciudad que iniciara un programa de softbol para chicas. En 1985, Thornton lo inició con cuatro equipos, y para 2016 la liga había crecido a 44 equipos y más de 550 participantes. Las divisiones incluyen tee-ball (4-5 años), lanzamiento por entradoras (6-7 años) y lanzamiento por jugadoras (8-9, 10-11, 12-13 y 14-17 años).

ACADEMIAS DEPORTIVAS DE THORNTON

Este programa de ocho semanas para chicas de 5 a 18 años está diseñado para enseñarles los fundamentos de varios deportes diferentes, incluyendo béisbol, baloncesto, lacrosse, fútbol soccer, tenis, voleibol y más. Los instructores incluyen a entrenadores certificados y atletas que han competido a niveles universitario y profesional.

LIGAS DE BALONCESTO PARA ADULTOS

Hay ligas de baloncesto para adultos de 16 años en adelante en el Centro Comunitario de Thornton. Las inscripciones son en diciembre, y los juegos se celebran de enero a marzo.

LIGAS DE SOFTBOL PARA ADULTOS

Se ofrecen ligas de softbol mixtas y varoniles para adultos en el complejo de campos deportivos Riverwalk en verano y otoño. Las inscripciones para el verano son en abril, con juegos de mayo a julio, y las inscripciones para el otoño son en agosto, con juegos en septiembre y octubre.

TORNEO DE RAQUETBOL ICY BLAST

El Torneo de Raquetbol Icy Blast se celebra en el Centro Recreativo Carpenter el tercer fin de semana de enero, y las inscripciones son en diciembre.

Se ofrecen divisiones varonil y femenil individual, así como mixtos dobles, para jugadores de todos los niveles de habilidad.

Para conocer más de lo que ofrecemos en deportes para jóvenes y adultos, busque nuestros folletos de temporada con los detalles, precios y horarios.

Por más de cuatro décadas la ciudad ha ofrecido un programa de atletismo para jóvenes cada verano. Atletismo de CARA está abierto a chicos y chicas de 5 a 16 años. Los eventos que ofrece incluyen carreras de 50 a 1600 metros, relevos, salto de longitud en parada, salto de altura, lanzamiento de bala y lanzamiento de disco.

ATLETISMO DE CARA

La Asociación de Deportes Recreativos de Colorado (CARA) es un grupo de ciudades y distritos especiales de recreación que se han unido para ofrecer una variedad de programas deportivos a los jóvenes de todo el estado. Los programas son de naturaleza recreativa y están diseñados para enseñar a niños y niñas el deporte específico que les interesa, con énfasis en el espíritu deportivo.

PROGRAMAS DEPORTIVOS DE CARA

La participación en programa deportivos puede ser de gran beneficio para la salud física y mental de las personas. Al participar en programas deportivos, individuales y en equipo, aprendemos valiosas lecciones que podemos aplicar durante toda la vida, como: la forma en que el esfuerzo y la práctica pueden traducirse en el logro de nuestras metas; el valor de trabajar en equipo y las consecuencias de no colaborar; los beneficios de fortalecerse con el ejercicio y la exposición al aire fresco y la luz solar; cómo se siente tener éxito, y cómo se siente fracasar y decidirse a esforzarse más la próxima vez, y mucho más.

TENIS DE CARA

Thornton ha participado en el programa de tenis de CARA desde 1988. El equipo está abierto a chicos y chicas de 8 a 18 años. Se requiere algo de experiencia previa en tenis, pero en cada grupo de edad hay varios niveles de habilidad. El programa inicia en junio y culmina en el torneo estatal, en la última semana de julio. En 2019, Thornton rompió su récord con un total de 27 jugadores en las semifinales y siete campeones estatales!

EQUIPO DE NATACIÓN DE CARA

Vea los detalles en la página 27.

GINNASIA DE CARA

Vea los detalles en la página 32.

CLASES DE TENIS

El programa de clases se imparte en las canchas de tenis de Eastlake y está abierto a chicos y chicas de 5 a 16 años de edad durante los meses de junio y julio. No se requiere experiencia previa en tenis.

"He formado parte del Programa de Tenis de CARA los últimos 20 años. En los años de participar en el equipo he aprendido muchas habilidades técnicas de los dedicados entrenadores de tenis de Thornton y he formado muchas amistades para toda la vida. He avanzado hasta convertirme la entrenadora en jefe del equipo de tenis de CARA y he combinado mis conocimientos de tenis y mi experiencia con CARA para ayudar al equipo a sobresalir todos los años".

Madison Fischer
Instructora de tenis



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PANADERÍA

¡AYUDE A OTROS A DESARROLLARSE! BUSCAMOS NUEVOS INSTRUCTORES

? Tiene un pasatiempo, talento, habilidad o área de especialidad que le gustaría enseñar a otros? ¡Estamos buscando instructores con ideas frescas y conocimientos para compartir!

Nuestro objetivo es darle a las personas de la comunidad la oportunidad de aprender de manera fácil y económica de personas con habilidades e intereses que deseen compartir. Estas clases pueden incluir, entre otras cosas:

- artes y manualidades
- habilidades de comunicación
- baile
- artes culinarias
- idiomas extranjeros
- genealogía
- decoración de interiores
- mejoras en el hogar
- horticultura y jardinería
- música
- naturaleza
- desarrollo personal
- fotografía
- defensa personal
- escritura



GALERÍA SOBRE LA MARCHA

SALUD, NUTRICIÓN Y ACONDICIONAMIENTO FÍSICO
 Usted tiene motivos importantes para mantenerse sano: su familia, su trabajo y más. Las clases de TPRCP cubren una amplia gama de temas de salud, incluyendo autocontrol de la diabetes, aceites esenciales, acciones para recuperarse del luto, camino al bienestar y una serie continua de clases de nutrición.

CLASES INTERGENERACIONALES

También ofrecemos varias clases intergeneracionales, en las que niños y adultos pueden participar juntos. Algunos ejemplos son Jumpbunch para padres y niños, Mi primer Abrikadoodle, y alfarrería para adultos y niños.

SEGURIDAD Y PRIMEROS AUXILIOS

Otro ejemplo de una habilidad para toda la vida es el área de seguridad personal. TPRCP ofrece una amplia gama de clases para todas las edades y capacidades que abordan este tema. Incluyen seguridad para conductores de AARP, entrenamiento en RCP y primeros auxilios, entrenamiento en AED, primeros auxilios y RCP en lugares remotos o despoblados, y seguridad para cazadores.

ENRIQUECIMIENTO PARA JÓVENES

Nuestras clases de enriquecimiento para jóvenes pueden variar según la temporada. En verano tenemos varias clases con estilo de campamento de verano de medio día, durante toda la semana. Incluyen, entre otras, Playwell LEGO®, computadoras con Codespire y películas con Incrediflix. Nuestros programas durante todo el año incluyen pintura con Artsy Kids y Abrikadoodle, español con Language World, deportes de Jumpbunch, conducción segura con Alive at 25 y clases de enfermería, odontología y veterinaria de Little Medical School.

Estas clases se imparten en el Centro para Adultos Activos de Thornton (AAC), el Edificio Comunitario de Thornton (TCB), el Centro de Artes y Cultura de Thornton (TACC), el Centro Recreativo Carpenter (CRC), el Centro Comunitario de Thornton (TCC) y el Centro Recreativo Trail Winds (TWRC).
 Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrecemos, visite gocot.net/enrichment.

Visite talents.thorntonco.gov y suscríbase a la categoría *Recreation* para recibir información sobre todos nuestros programas y clases.

¿Es el tipo de persona que ve un programa de cocina y piensa: "yo nunca podría hacer eso"? ¡Ya no tiene que pensar así! TPRCP ofrece una variedad de clases prácticas de cocina con tema que van desde plátanos de temporada hasta cocina mundial. La mejor manera de aprender con frecuencia es haciendo. Las clases de cocina pueden

CLASES DE ARTES CULINARIAS

El mundo de las artes y manualidades es tan expansivo e inagotable, ¡que realmente hay algo para todos! Con los programas que ofrecemos puede probar dibujo, pintura, zentangle, alfilería, cerámica, costura, tejido e incluso bellas artes. Nada es más satisfactorio que crear algo con sus propias manos. Ofrecemos clases en una variedad de medios, impartidas por instructores de primer nivel! Desarrolle su creatividad y diviértase! Sin duda descubrirá un talento que no sabía que tenía.

ARTES Y MANUALIDADES

Explore, descubra y desarrolle nuevos intereses! TPRCP se enorgullece en ofrecer una variedad de clases y talleres para todas las edades y capacidades a lo largo del año. Estas clases son impartidas por personas y organizaciones contratadas que comparten sus conocimientos y experiencias con nosotros y ofrece programas interactivos y de alta calidad a la comunidad de Thornton. Muchas de nuestras clases de enriquecimiento para niños y adultos, desde que pueden caminar hasta los 62 años y más, tienen inscripciones continuas y se ofrecen durante todo el año. Una gran cantidad de estas clases continuas enseñan y promueven habilidades para toda la vida en artes y manualidades, computación y habilidades culinarias, por mencionar solo algunas.

ser una manera divertida e interesante de aprender nuevas habilidades en un ambiente práctico.

FINANZAS

Para abordar los intereses financieros de nuestros participantes, constantemente ofrecemos clases de bienes raíces, planificación patrimonial y colecciones de monedas, además de impartir con regularidad seminarios legales para hacer testamentos. Un cliente habitual de nuestras clases de bienes raíces explica: "He sido cliente y estudiante de Jim durante unos 20 años. Primero tomé sus clases de fundamentos y administración de inmuebles, que me dieron la confianza para comenzar con un par de casas unifamiliares; ya están pagadas y me encargo de la administración. Sin duda es una clase bien dirigida y buena para inversionistas".



"Mi hija realmente cree que es una doctora. Lleva su estetoscopio y botiquín a todas partes en caso de que alguien se lastime, y ha desarrollado más confianza para visitar a nuestro pediatra después de asistir a Little Medical School".

Lynda B.
Mamá



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COMPLEJO DEPORTIVO TRAIL WINDS

Además de estar a un lado del Centro Recreativo Trail Winds, este complejo también está junto a un parque de patinaje muy activo y a un nuevo y popular parque para perros, con amplio estacionamiento para todos los visitantes y programas.

COMPLEJO DEPORTIVO TRAIL WINDS
El Complejo Deportivo Trail Winds de Thornton está situado en 13500 Holly St., a un lado del Centro Recreativo Trail Winds. Este complejo tiene cuatro canchas de fútbol soccer/fútbol americano de tamaño oficial con césped natural, y dos canchas de fútbol soccer/fútbol americano de tamaño oficial con pasto sintético, por lo que es una importante sede de torneos deportivos en exteriores.

El Complejo Deportivo de Thornton está situado en 10370 McKay Rd. Tiene cuatro canchas polivalentes con iluminación. Se usan principalmente para béisbol, softbol y fútbol americano. El complejo también tiene un pabellón con capacidad para 40 personas. Tiene sanitarios con agua corriente y una pequeña área de juegos infantiles bajo techo, con decoración de béisbol, cerca de las canchas principales.

COMPLEJO DEPORTIVO DE THORNTON

El área de pícnic tiene un pabellón que puede reservarse y que tiene asientos para 70 personas. Los juegos infantiles incluyen para niños de 5 a 12 años tienen columpios adaptados y otras características diseñadas para personas con necesidades especiales.

Promoviendo estilos de vida activos y sanos



CAMPOS DE BÉISBOL NORTHERN LIGHTS

RESERVACIONES DE COMPLEJOS DEPORTIVOS PARA DEPORTES JUVENILES Y TORNEOS

¡Muy pronto! Tendremos un formulario en línea que podrá llenar y enviar por correo electrónico para solicitar un campo de entrenamiento, canchas de juego, torneos y eventos especiales. Incluirá el uso por una sola vez o por varios días. Los grupos deportivos de jóvenes, eventos especiales y torneos necesitan un certificado de seguro. Debido a la alta demanda de nuestros grupos deportivos de jóvenes reconocidos, no se aceptan alquileres recurrentes para canchas del 1 de abril al 30 de julio. Las solicitudes para un solo uso se analizarán de manera individual.

TIPO DE INSTALACIÓN	CÉSPED Fútbol soccer, fútbol americano, lacrosse	PASTO SINTÉTICO Fútbol soccer, fútbol americano, lacrosse	CÁMPO DE BÉISBOL O SOFTBOL FUERA DE COMPLEJOS	CÁMPO DE BÉISBOL O SOFTBOL EN UN COMPLEJO
RESIDENTES DE THORNTON Y SIN FINES DE LUCRO	\$20/hora por campo Con luces, agregar \$30	\$20/hora por campo Con luces, agregar \$30	\$15/hora por campo Con luces, agregar \$30	\$20/hora por campo Con luces, agregar \$30
No residentes	\$30/hora por campo Con luces, agregar \$30	\$50/hora por campo Con luces, agregar \$30	\$25/hora por campo Con luces, agregar \$30	\$30/hora por campo Con luces, agregar \$30



Los complejos deportivos al aire libre de Thornton son parte esencial de la comunidad. No solo ofrecen a nuestros residentes y a las comunidades vecinas un espacio seguro para disfrutar de eventos deportivos recreativos y competitivos, sino que ayudan a TPRCP a promover estilos de vida activos y sanos.

Los espacios que planeamos, financiamos, desarrollamos y operamos son valiosas inversiones y tienen una importancia vital para nuestra comunidad. Sabemos que los deportes seguirán desempeñando un importante papel en las vidas de nuestros residentes en el futuro.

CAMPUS DE BÉISBOL NORTHERN LIGHTS

Northern Lights es un completo de béisbol/

softbol que está situado en 13800 York

St. Hay ocho campos, de los que seis

tienen tamaño para ligas pequeñas, uno

es un campo de béisbol oficial, y uno es

de tamaño apropiado para la ADA/tee

ball. También hay dos jaulas de bateo no

automatizadas. El complejo también cuenta

con un pabellón con asientos para 40

personas, juegos infantiles inclusivos bajo

techo, y sanitarios con agua corriente.

CAMPUS DE BÉISBOL Y JAULAS DE BATEO

DE RIVERWALK

Las jaulas de bateo de Riverwalk, que están

entre las instalaciones más nuevas de

Thornton, están situadas en 9830 Riverdale

Rd. Hay seis máquinas de lanzamiento

con brazo, que son preferidas por muchos

jugadores y entrenadores profesionales.

Los jugadores tienen la ventaja de observar

el desarrollo de cada lanzamiento como

!Visite gis.cityofthornton.net/parkfinder para ver una lista completa de todos los parques, lugares de pesca y complejos deportivos de Thornton y sus servicios!

si proviniera de un lanzador humano. Los jugadores desarrollan el ritmo apropiado para saber cuándo empezar el movimiento de bateo. Hay tres jaulas de béisbol y tres de softbol, con lanzamientos lentos, medios y rápidos que varían de 45 a 60 millas por hora. Los lanzamientos lentos de softbol se lanzan en arco. En el otoño convertimos una de las jaulas de lanzamientos rápidos de softbol a lanzamientos lentos de softbol, para apoyar a nuestra liga de lanzamiento lento de Thornton, que juega en los campos de Riverwalk. Por seguridad, todos los usuarios de las jaulas de bateo deben usar casco. Puede pedir prestados cascos y bates en la oficina de las jaulas de bateo. También tenemos una variedad de puestos de concesión.

Hay cuatro campos de béisbol con iluminación que se usan principalmente para programas de béisbol y softbol para niños y adultos.

"Crecí en Thornton, en donde jugué béisbol en las ligas pequeñas y en la preparatoria. Ahora juego en una liga de béisbol para adultos de 58 años y más. Nos gusta venir a las jaulas de bateo de Riverwalk para practicar el bateo. Nos ayuda mucho en los juegos. ¡Recibimos muchos lanzamientos excelentes, el precio es fenomenal y el servicio es muy bueno!"

Usuario de jaulas de bateo

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GRADUACIÓN DE PREESCOLAR

PROGRAMAS DE CAMPAMENTO DE PRIMAVERA Y VERANO

Thornton ofrece una variedad de opciones para los jóvenes durante los meses de primavera y verano, para mantenerlos ocupados, seguros y divirtiéndose con sus compañeros.

CAMPAMENTOS DE PRIMAVERA Y VERANO DE TIEMPO COMPLETO

CAMPAMENTO DE PRIMAVERA

Este programa está diseñado para niños de edad escolar, de 5 (jardín de niños) a 13 años de edad. Este divertido campamento incluye manualidades, juegos, deportes, proyectos de cocina y juegos al aire libre.

CLUB DE AVENTURAS Y MI ESCAPE

Este programa para niños de edad escolar, desde los que han concluido el jardín de niños hasta los 13 años, ofrece un divertido campamento de verano de todo el día. Distribuirán yendo a excursiones, jugando, participando en deportes y haciendo artes y manualidades.

CAMPAMENTOS DE VERANO DE TIEMPO PARCIAL

CAMPAMENTO PARA NIÑOS DE PREESCOLAR

Diseñado para niños de 2½ a 6 años de edad. Los niños practican las letras y sus sonidos, y reconocen palabras, números, colores y formas, además de jugar en grupo y realizar proyectos, acondicionamiento físico y jugar al aire libre. Este es el campamento perfecto para que los niños se acostumbren al preescolar o continúen su año escolar.

CAMPAMENTO PARA NIÑOS EN EDAD ESCOLAR

Este campamento es para niños de 5-10 años de edad y ofrece actividades más avanzadas para niños, incluyendo manualidades, proyectos de cocina, acondicionamiento físico, juegos y diversión al aire libre. Este es un campamento perfecto para los niños que quieren participar sin necesidad de estar todo el día.



DESFILES DE HALLOWEEN

Las clases de preescolar se ofrecen en tres centros.

El preescolar es un escalón importante para los niños antes de entrar a la escuela de tiempo completo. Los niños exploran, adquieren un sentido de identidad, juegan con sus compañeros y desarrollan la confianza en sí mismos. Trabajan en importantes habilidades sociales, emocionales y de solución de problemas mediante juegos e interacciones. Los niños también aprenden que pueden realizar tareas y tomar decisiones sin ayuda de sus padres. Viven las rutinas, los procedimientos y las reglas del aula, que les ayudan a tener éxito al ingresar a sus clases de tiempo completo en primaria. Además, TPRCP ofrece las siguientes dos opciones de clases de enriquecimiento para preescolar:

DESCUBRIMIENTOS PLACENTEROS

TPRCP ofrece a los padres la oportunidad de interactuar con sus niños pequeños y con otras familias, mientras ayudan a familiarizar a sus hijos con un ambiente escolar. La clase de Descubrimientos Placenteros, para niños desde que pueden caminar hasta los 3½ años, guía a los padres y a los pequeños en un área diferente cada semana. Algunos ejemplos son bocabllos hechos en casa, STEM (siglas en inglés de ciencia, tecnología, ingeniería y matemáticas), baile y movimiento, y más. Esta clase ayuda a los niños y padres a prepararse para el ambiente del aula, y a familiarizarse con el personal de preescolar.

CLASES COMPLEMENTARIAS PARA APRENDER Y SALTAR
Si le interesa tener más tiempo para hacer tareas personales y a la vez ampliar los conocimientos de su hijo, ¡nuestras clases complementarias para aprender y saltar para niños de 3-6 años son lo que necesitas! Estas clases complementarias incluyen programas de preescolar y baile para su niño o niña, y nuestro personal lo acompaña de una a otra clase por usted.

Para obtener más información sobre nuestro programa preescolar, comuníquese con Sharon Juel, directora del preescolar, al 720-977-5942 o en sharon.juel@ThorntonCO.gov o visite gocot.net/preschool.



El Programa Preescolar de Thornton ofrece varias opciones de aprendizaje divertido para sus hijos en nuestros tres centros. Nuestro plan de estudios cumple con las Pautas para el Aprendizaje y Desarrollo Temprano de Colorado (Early Learning and Development Guidelines, ELDG). Estos lineamientos incluyen indicadores para que los niños los practiquen en su desarrollo físico, alfabetismo, lógica y razonamiento, matemáticas, ciencias, ciencias sociales, expresión de artes creativas, y métodos de aprendizaje. Puede encontrar más información sobre los ELDG en earlylearningco.org. Nuestro Programa de Preescolar es evaluado por el Sistema de Evaluación y Mejora de la Calidad (QRIS) de Colorado Shines. Para obtener más información visite coloradoshines.force.com.

PROGRAMA DE PREESCOLAR TEMPRANO

Este programa está disponible para los niños de 3-4 años de edad que no alcancen la fecha de corte para ingresar al jardín de niños y que volverán a asistir a preescolar el próximo año. Enfatizamos las habilidades sociales a través del juego. Las clases se concentran en las rutinas del aula, formas, colores, números y el alfabeto. Enseñamos a reconocer palabras, los sonidos de las letras, la estructura de las oraciones, y proyectos y actividades congruentes con los ELDG.

PROGRAMA DE PREPARACIÓN PARA EL JARDÍN DE NIÑOS

Este programa prepara a los niños de 4-5 años de edad para el jardín de niños mediante oportunidades de aprendizaje basadas en juegos y descubrimientos. La clase se enfoca en las rutinas del aula y las habilidades sociales y enseña a reconocer palabras de uso común, los sonidos de las letras y la estructura de las

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- Escuela para padres/seSIONES informativas - Orientación, jornadas de puertas abiertas, clases con Early Childhood Partnership del Condado de Adams
- Desfile de Halloween
- Banquetes de Acción de Gracias
- Presentaciones de preparación para el jardín de niños en WinterFest
- Manualidades con Santa
- Fiestas del día de San Valentín
- Carnaval
- Graduaciones

Estas dos clases que abarcan todo el año escolar incluyen eventos informativos, divertidos e interactivos:

oraciones, práctica de habilidades (como recortar y pegar) y proyectos y actividades correspondientes a los ELDG.

"Nuestra familia ha sido parte del programa preescolar de Thornton desde 2013. Todos nuestros hijos han tenido maravillosas experiencias y han estado bien preparados para el jardín de niños. Los maestros hacen un trabajo excelente para mantener interesados a los niños e impartir conocimientos de maneras nuevas y divertidas".

Jess Catalano
Mamá de preescolar



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DESTACANDO EN LA GIMNASIA

Algunos podrían preguntarse, ¿por qué Gimnasia de Thornton? Porque la gimnasia es más que un deporte en el programa de Thornton. Por ejemplo, esta es la historia de una linda niña que entró a nuestra sala de gimnasia a los siete años de edad, decidida a ser la mejor portista de su equipo. Le pidió a los instructores que le enseñaran a dar volteretas, pero los instructores de inmediato reconocieron su talento para la gimnasia. Se unió al programa de gimnasia de Thornton y avanzó por los distintos niveles, hasta que la invitaron a unirse al equipo a los ocho años de edad.

Le presentamos a Kwanii Young. Kwanii ya era una atleta decidida y dedicada, con una determinación inigualable. Los entrenadores de Thornton se dieron cuenta de que su trabajo era refinar las habilidades de Kwanii y orientar su vida a través del deporte de la gimnasia. A diferencia de otros programas recreativos, los entrenadores de Thornton no temen enviar a un gimnasta al siguiente nivel, incluso si esto significa su transferencia a un club privado. Cuando empezaba la carrera de Kwanii en gimnasia competitiva, los entrenadores les explicaron a ella y a sus padres las diferencias entre la gimnasia recreativa y los programas competitivos. Le dijeron a la familia de Kwanii que ella podría tener éxito en el programa competitivo de USA Gymnastics, que abre opciones de becas universitarias, y se les explicó las posibilidades que ambos caminos ofrecían para Kwanii. A fin de cuentas, Kwanii decidió quedarse en Gimnasia de Thornton, en donde siguió sobresaliendo hasta alcanzar el nivel más alto de la liga de CARA, Opcional 5.

Ahora, como joven, Kwanii está retribuyendo al programa de gimnasia de Thornton como entrenadora. Empezó a enseñar niveles recreativos antes de terminar su propia carrera. Hoy Twisters, Kwanii es una apreciada entrenadora de niveles Obligatorio 3 y Opcional.



Orientando a los jóvenes mediante la gimnasia.

enseñar lecciones de vida mediante el trabajo el equipo, los éxitos y fracasos, y el establecimiento y logro de metas. Lo hacen mientras se divierten y enseñan habilidades y rutinas gimnásticas de alto nivel. La gimnasia en equipo con las Thornton Twisters es un lugar para formar relaciones. Nuestro lema es: No solo un equipo, sino una familia.

Además de nuestro equipo de gimnasia de CARA, nos enorgullece ofrecer clases de gimnasia adaptativa e inclusiva. Todos pueden participar en la gimnasia, y el personal está capacitado para incluir a niños con diversas discapacidades. Al añadir la sección de Recreación Adaptativa e Inclusiva (AIR), el personal de gimnasia pudo empezar a ofrecer clases diseñadas para una variedad de discapacidades y trastornos.

Por último, si cree que la gimnasia es una actividad divertida, ¡debería probarla con 12 amigos! Gimnasia de Thornton ofrece fiestas de gimnasia para niños de tres años en adelante. Traiga a sus amigos y sus cámaras. Usted y sus invitados estarán una hora en la sala de gimnasia con un instructor preparado para ayudarles y guiarlos en obstáculos, juegos y ejercicios de gimnasia libre. Si prefieren organizar su propia celebración y hacer la fiesta a su manera, también tenemos la opción de que alquile la sala de gimnasia!

Con todos estos servicios, no tenemos duda alguna de que Gimnasia de Thornton tiene opciones para todos los niños y adolescentes en su vida. Hemos visto con regularidad a familias de niños que pasan por todo nuestro programa, desde principiantes hasta participar en el equipo, y esperamos que tome en cuenta nuestro programa al elegir un deporte para su hijo o hija.

Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrecemos, visite gocot.net/gymnastics.





El Programa de Gimnasia de Thornton ofrece una variedad de oportunidades individuales y en equipo en el Centro Recreativo Carpenter. Contamos con un estudio de 8,000 pies cuadrados dedicado a la gimnasia, que tiene una cama elástica de 30 pies, un piso amortiguador de 42 x 42 pies, un caballo de gimnasia, cinco barras de equilibrio de distintas alturas, barras paralelas, caballo con arzones, domos, anillos, barras asimétricas, una estructura para trepar y columpios sensoriales. Nuestros instructores de gimnasia están altamente capacitados con constantes clínicas en técnicas y temas especializados, además de estar entrenados y preparados para resolver cualquier emergencia que ocurra en la sala de gimnasia o en otras partes del centro. La seguridad es nuestra máxima prioridad.

Ofrecemos un amplio programa de clases de gimnasia para niños pequeños, chicos y chicas, que incluye un equipo de gimnasia de CARA con actividades todo el año. Más de 4,200 niños participan en nuestras clases recreativas a lo largo del año. Nuestro programa personal ofrece dos niveles de clases para padres y niños pequeños, tres grupos de edad para niños pequeños, y cuatro niveles recreativos. Nos enorgullece decir que cualquiera de los instructores puede enseñar varios de estos niveles. Los cursos varían entre cinco y 15 semanas. Las clases se imparten de lunes a viernes por la mañana, al atardecer y en la noche, así como los sábados todo el día. Los participantes pueden inscribirse en una clase a la semana, o en varias clases durante semana. También ofrecemos clases durante el día para los participantes que reciben educación académica en casa. Si no le interesan las clases en grupo, nuestros instructores de gimnasia con gusto pueden impartirle clases privadas u ofrecerle el uso de las instalaciones de gimnasia.

El noventa por ciento de las integrantes de nuestro equipo, conocidas como Thornton Twisters, iniciaron en nuestras clases recreativas, avanzaron rápidamente por los niveles y siguen compitiendo en nuestro programa del equipo de CARA. CARA, operada por la Asociación de Parques y Recreación de Colorado, es una extraordinaria liga de gimnasia que ofrece a las gimnastas la oportunidad de competir en un ambiente recreativo, en el que la intensidad del entrenamiento es más leve. Nuestros entrenadores asisten a capacitación impartida por la liga de gimnasia de CARA, jueces de escuelas preparatorias e instructores nacionales del más alto nivel de USA Gymnastics. Los entrenadores del equipo se esfuerzan por

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Kwanii Young
Instructora de gimnasia

"El Program de Gimnasia de Thornton es especial.

El programa desafia la sensación de individualismo en la gimnasia al crear una sensación de familia. Gimnasia de Thornton es mi hogar fuera del hogar".

Siga la historia de Kwanii en el Perfil de Gimnasia en la siguiente página.

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CENTRO COMUNITARIO DE THORNTON

físico para contestar las preguntas de los usuarios. Este es un servicio de cortesía incluido con su entrada.

Los centros recreativos Trail Winds y Carpenter tienen entrenadores disponibles en las salas de acondicionamiento

ASISTENTES DE ACONDICIONAMIENTO FISICO

Carpenter ofrecen entrenamiento personalizado con un costo adicional. Todos los entrenadores están certificados y tienen diversas especialidades para adaptarse a sus necesidades.

Mantener la motivación y responsabilidad puede ser un obstáculo para mantener una buena condición física y un

ENTRENAMIENTO PERSONAL

Las clases de acondicionamiento físico en grupo son gratuitas (con una membresía pagada o un pase) y se ofrecen en muchos horarios en los centros recreativos Trail Winds, Carpenter y los Centros para Adultos

CLASES DE ACONDICIONAMIENTO FISICO EN GRUPO

El programa de acondicionamiento físico y bienestar de Thornton ofrece algo para cada quien! Con nuestra reciente

ampliación tenemos varias instalaciones, una amplia variedad de clases y programas de acondicionamiento físico en grupo, entrenadores preparados y los equipos más modernos. Sin duda encontrará exactamente lo que necesita para alcanzar sus metas en salud y acondicionamiento físico.

ACONDICIONAMIENTO FISICO Y BIENESTAR

El Centro para Niños y Adolescentes también es la sede del Consejo de Jóvenes de Thornton, que celebra reuniones dos veces al mes y participa en proyectos que benefician a nuestra comunidad. El personal también organiza "happenings", que son eventos divertidos en el Centro para Niños y Adolescentes, como competencias de decoración de pasteillos, competencias de videojuegos y talleres de escritura. Además hay noches para niños y adolescentes con arenas de dados Nerf, fútbolito humano, y arenas con desafíos inflables.

El Centro Comunitario de Thornton tiene un centro de acondicionamiento físico, un gimnasio utilizado para baloncesto, voleibol, pickleball y otros programas, una pequeña sala de conferencias hasta para 12 personas, un Centro para Niños y Adolescentes para visitantes de 10 a 17 años de edad con una mesa de hockey de aire, sala de computadoras, mesas de billar, tenis de mesa y televisores de pantalla grande con sistemas de videojuegos. El centro también alberga al programa de baile de Thornton, el programa de preescolar y el programa de alimentos para jóvenes de la zona. A través de Food Bank of The Rockies, ofrecemos refrigerios saludables a los visitantes menores de 18 años, de lunes a viernes, por la mañana y por la tarde durante el verano y solamente por la tarde durante el año escolar.

CENTRO COMUNITARIO DE THORNTON

El área de vestíbulo tiene servicio de café y un salón de billar para adultos. La piscina del CRC actualmente está en proceso de remodelación, con una inversión de 15 millones de dólares, y su inauguración está planeada para 2021; incluirá vestidores familiares, una sauna y un cuarto de vapor. El centro también alberga un preescolar acreditado y servicio de cuidado de niños para los padres que utilizan las instalaciones. Estos dos salones separados, unidos por un baño común, están diseñados para clases programadas y cuidado de niños sin cita. El Centro Recreativo Carpenter también cuenta con un salón grande para reuniones con cocina, un pequeño escenario, terraza con vista a la montaña y capacidad para separarse en tres salones privados más pequeños.

Para obtener más información sobre nuestras instalaciones, visite gococ.net/facilities.



CENTRO RECREATIVO CARPENTER

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El área de actividades acuáticas consta de una piscina de actividades para niños, piscina de entrenamiento, piscina de bienestar diseñada para los visitantes que necesitan temperaturas más cálidas, un jacuzzi y dos toboganes.

El nuevo Centro Recreativo Trail Winds, de 87,000 pies cuadrados, abrió sus puertas en noviembre de 2019 y tiene un área de acondicionamiento físico con 40 equipos para ejercicio cardiovascular, un circuito de entrenamiento con pesas Cybex, área de levantamiento de pesas, pista techada y jardín para acondicionamiento físico al aire libre. El centro tiene tres salas de acondicionamiento físico grupal para clases como yoga, ciclismo, SilverSneakers™ y un sistema de clases virtuales Wellbeats que las personas pueden usar cuando no haya clases organizadas programadas. Una de las tres salas está dedicada exclusivamente al programa de baile de Thornton. Trail Winds también ofrece juegos infantiles en interiores completamente libres cuando no los esté usando el programa de cuidado de niños, así como una pared de escalada en roca de 32 pies.

CENTRO RECREATIVO TRAIL WINDS

El Departamento de Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios de Thornton ofrece una variedad de instalaciones y servicios recreativos en tres centros diseñados para ofrecer algo especial para cada quien. Cada uno de nuestros tres centros tiene un gimnasio donde se practican diferentes deportes en horarios designados, como baloncesto, voleibol, pickleball y bádminton.

El centro tiene una gran sala de reuniones/ actividades que puede dividirse en tres salas privadas más pequeñas, cada una con su propia cocina, con una cocina para calentar platillos, escenario y terraza. En la sección de aprendizaje permanente encontrarán un Centro para Adultos Activos para personas de 62 años y más, con una sala de bienestar en la que atienden masajistas terapéuticos, un podólogo, un acupunturista y un terapeuta de duelo. También se ofrecen programas de enriquecimiento para adultos. Esta sección también alberga un preescolar acreditado y servicio de cuidado de niños para los padres que utilizan el centro.

CENTRO RECREATIVO CARPENTER

De manera similar, el Centro Recreativo Carpenter (CRC), de 78,780 pies cuadrados, tiene un área para ejercicios cardio, un circuito de entrenamiento con pesas y Matrix, sala de levantamiento de pesas y pista techada. El CRC ofrece clases como Bodypump, yoga, ciclismo y SilverSneakers™ en una sala dedicada al acondicionamiento físico. El centro también tiene tres canchas de ráquetbol.



Pamela Carson

Usaría del Centro Recreativo "Tengo casi 60 años de edad, he vivido en Thornton más de 30 años y he sido usuaria del Centro Recreativo Carpenter desde su inauguración en 1994.

Los centros recreativos Carpenter y Trail Winds ofrecen una gran variedad de clases, con instructores excelentes. Siempre me han gustado las clases de acondicionamiento físico. Necesito un instructor y el aspecto social de la clase para mantenerme concentrada y motivada. Somos muy afortunados al contar con estas instalaciones en nuestra comunidad. El costo es razonable, las ubicaciones son convenientes, y los recomiendo ampliamente a todos".

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INSTALACIONES RECREATIVAS



¡Las clases de baile recreativo hacen dos veces el año!

Los equipos de baile de Thornton usan un proceso de audiciones, y la mayoría de los bailarines de nuestro equipo iniciaron su carrera en nuestras clases recreativas. Las audiciones anuales se realizan en el otoño. Comuníquese con Kendra Keefe para recibir más información.

CLASES DE BAILE RECREATIVO

Las clases de baile recreativo de Baile de Thornton son divertidas y emocionantes, y ofrecen instrucción de alta calidad para bailarines de todas las edades y capacidades. Las clases recreativas se enfocan en aprender y desarrollar la técnica de baile, la flexibilidad, la coordinación, el control muscular, el ritmo, el sentido musical y la expresión de la emoción a través del baile. Nuestras clases de baile recreativo tienen dos oportunidades para presentarse cada año: una en junio y una en diciembre. Las clases de baile recreativo se ofrecen en una variedad de estilos y grupos de edad, para que pueda encontrar la clase perfecta para su hijo o hija. Se invita a los niños a probar una variedad de estilos para ayudarles a descubrir su pasión por el baile y el movimiento. Comuníquese con Kendra Keefe para recibir más información.

CLASES PRIVADAS

Baile de Thornton ofrece clases privadas. Son perfectas para el bailarín que desea recibir ayuda adicional o que necesita un mayor desafío. También están disponibles para bailarines que quieren aprender y presentar un solo, dúo o trío en una de nuestras presentaciones próximas o en una presentación de talento local. Las clases privadas se programan de acuerdo con la disponibilidad de los instructores y salones de baile. Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrecemos, visite gocot.net/dance.



ESTILOS DE BAILE QUE ENSEÑAMOS

- Movimiento creativo
- Ballet
- Jazz
- Tap
- Lírico
- Contemporáneo
- Hip-Hop
- Baile de salón
- Teatro musical
- Baile adaptativo

JÓVENES

Desde que saben caminar hasta los 17 años

ADULTOS

16 años en adelante • Tap

BENEFICIOS DEL BAILE

- aumenta la confianza en sí mismo
- mejora la capacidad de escuchar y la disciplina
- mejora la coordinación y el equilibrio
- interacción social
- desarrolla las habilidades interpersonales
- desarrolla el trabajo en equipo
- aumenta la actividad física
- mejora la expresión emocional
- aumenta la conciencia del propio cuerpo
- despierta la creatividad

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EQUIPOS DE BAILE GALARDONADOS

Los estudiantes de los equipos de baile de Thornton tienen la oportunidad de participar en múltiples presentaciones a lo largo del año, y la opción de competir y asistir a competencias y convenciones de baile a nivel nacional. Los equipos de baile de Thornton estudian una variedad de estilos de baile, como ballet, jazz, tap, baile lírico, baile contemporáneo y hip-hop. Puede ver sus presentaciones en distintas partes del área metropolitana de Denver. Algunas de sus presentaciones más exitosas han sido un juego de béisbol de los Rockies de Colorado, un juego de hockey de los Cutthroats de Colorado, la celebración del Cuatro de Julio de Thornton,

el desfile Arvada Harvest y el baile de gala anual de Arvada's Community Table. Los equipos no solo hacen presentaciones, sino que tienen la oportunidad de competir en encuentros nacionales. Los equipos de baile de Thornton han competido desde 2017. Desde entonces han ganado múltiples puntuaciones de alto nivel y han conseguido numerosos premios, como premios por la puntuación general más alta, premios por coreografía, premios por entretenimiento y premios de ovación de pie.

Nuestro Programa de Baile de Thornton ofrece una amplia gama de clases de baile a jóvenes y adultos de todos los niveles de capacidad. Puede encontrar nuestras clases de baile en el Centro Recreativo Trail Winds, el Centro Comunitario de Thornton y el Centro Recreativo Carpenter. El programa de Baile de Thornton ofrece tanto clases recreativas como equipos para presentaciones y competencias durante todo el año. Se ofrecen clases recreativas en cursos a lo largo del año, para que pueda elegir los cursos que se adapten a su horario y el de su familia. Las clases de baile recreativo participan en dos presentaciones al año, una presentación al aire libre en junio y un recital formal en diciembre. ¿Esta buscando una opción más seria y con actividades todo el año? Nuestros equipos de baile de Thornton son perfectos para los estudiantes que quieren bailar durante todo el año, con más oportunidades de presentaciones comunitarias, competencias nacionales y clases magistrales. Venga a ver nuestras clases la próxima vez que visite una de nuestras instalaciones.

Melissa y Jeff Mustard

Papás de clases de baile

"Los instructores de baile del Programa de Baile de Thornton han hecho mucho más que ayudar a mi hija a encontrar su pasión. La han inspirado a ser una mejor persona para este mundo. Gracias a este programa de baile mi hija ha aprendido que, si nos caemos, ¡nos levantamos y seguimos bailando! Lo importante que es ser alentador y compasivo no solo con tus compañeros de equipo, sino también con tus oponentes. ¡Nunca sabrás si puedes lograr algo hasta que lo intentes!"

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PISCINA DE LA CIUDAD

Hay alquileres privados después del horario de operación en algunos días y horas, sólo para residentes de Thornton y solo durante los meses de junio a agosto. Se requerirá un depósito para todos los alquileres. El pago final deberá cubrirse 14 días antes de la fecha programada para el alquiler.

PISCINAS AL AIRE LIBRE

La piscina techada del Centro Recreativo Trail Winds está disponible para su alquiler y uso privado en las tardes, durante todo el año. Se requerirá un depósito para todos los alquileres. El pago final deberá cubrirse 14 días antes de la fecha programada para el alquiler.

PISCINAS TECHADAS

INFORMACIÓN SOBRE EL ALQUILER DE PISCINAS

? Su organización de niños exploradores necesita una piscina a fin de completar su prueba de medalla al mérito? Ofrecemos un descuento para grupos, así como la ayuda de instructores certificados a fin de ayudarlos con los requisitos y la prueba. Llame al 720-977-5919, para conocer los días y horas disponibles.

PRUEBAS PARA INSIGNIA DE MÉRITO DE EXPLORADORES

Como parte de un esfuerzo para mantener a todos los niños a salvo en el agua, nos alegra ofrecer a los estudiantes de tercer grado la oportunidad de inscribirse en nuestro curso de natación gratuito para tercer grado. Este programa de natación incluye cuatro lecciones de natación de 40 minutos. Las lecciones de natación incluyen flotación, desarrollo de la brazada, mantenerse a flote pateando y seguridad en el agua. ¡GRATIS!

CLASES DE NATACIÓN GRATUITAS PARA TERCER GRADO PARA NIÑOS DE 8-9 AÑOS



CENTRO RECREATIVO TRAIL WINDS

Contamos con un equipo de natación recreativa de CARA (Asociación de Deportes Recreativos de Colorado) con actividades todo el año, afiliado a la Asociación de Parques y Recreación de Colorado. Es una excelente oportunidad de introducir a los jóvenes de 6 a 18 años de edad a la diversión y la emoción de la natación competitiva. Nuestros entrenadores se esfuerzan mucho para enseñar las destrezas y técnicas que mejorarán la eficiencia en el agua. Se esfuerzan por promover la competencia, así como el espíritu deportivo. Los participantes no necesitan tener experiencia competitiva, pero deben ser capaces de nadar 50 yardas completas (dos longitudes) con una brazada estilo libre competitiva y correcta, y también mostrar la capacidad de nadar por 45 minutos en un entorno de entrenamiento. Los entrenamientos se llevan a cabo en el Centro Acuático Veterans Memorial (VMAC) en los meses de otoño e invierno, y en nuestra piscina de Park Village durante el verano.

¡Nuestras instalaciones acuáticas están disponibles si necesita alquilerlas!

Además del equipo de natación de CARA, nos enorgullece ofrecer un programa master de natación y acondicionamiento físico de primer nivel. El programa de acondicionamiento físico de natación es para personas de 18 años de edad o más que disfruten nadar en un programa estructurado. El programa beneficia a aquellos que nadan por diversión y acondicionamiento físico y a aquellos que nadan en manera competitiva. Nuestro equipo de natación master entrena en el Centro Acuático Veterans Memorial (VMAC) los lunes, miércoles y viernes por la mañana, y los martes y jueves por la tarde.

Se ofrecen clases de acondicionamiento físico acuático en TWRC y CRC todo el año, y en Park Village durante los meses de verano. Contamos con una variedad de clases, desde Aqua-Zumba, tonificación y estiramiento, acondicionamiento físico acuático y clases para Silverneakers™. Todas las clases son impartidas por instructores certificados en acondicionamiento físico.

El Parque Carpenter es un parque insignia con un área grande de juegos infantiles, área de rocio, carrusel y botes de pedales. Está abierto los viernes por la tarde, sábados y domingos, de mayo a septiembre. Los pabellones están disponibles en alquiler, y hay canchas de baloncesto, tenis, voleibol y tejo.

Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrecemos, visite gocot.net/swim.

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Actividades acuáticas de Thornton ofrece una variedad de servicios y programas en las piscinas de varias instalaciones. En el Centro Recreativo Trail Winds ofrecemos una piscina de entrenamiento de 4 carriles e instalaciones de esparcimiento, con un río artificial, toboganes, piscina de bienestar y jacuzzi. El Centro Recreativo Carpenter (que está cerrado por remodelación y con planes de abrir a fines de 2021) tiene instalaciones que incluyen una piscina de entrenamiento de 6 carriles, piscina de olas con río artificial, jacuzzi, resbaladero, sauna y sala de vapor, y una piscina de actividades. Tenemos dos piscinas en exteriores que están abiertas durante los meses de verano. Park Village, ubicada en 4051 Summit Grove Pkwy. y City Pool ubicada en 2141 E. 95th Ave. Ambas ofrecen horarios de piscina libre, clases de natación y oportunidades para alquilarlas para uso privado. Tenemos el Parque Carpenter, que ofrece botes de pedales, un carrusel y un área de rocío, abierto solamente los fines de semana de mayo a septiembre. Contamos con salvavidas altamente capacitados, acreditados a través de Jeff Ellis & Associates, Inc. Ellis & Associates (E&A) es una firma internacional de consultoría en seguridad y gestión de riesgos acuáticos, dedicada a la prevención y eliminación de ahogamientos. E&A ofrece entrenamiento para instructores y salvavidas, servicios de gestión de riesgos

acuáticos, entrenamiento en atención de emergencia y entrenamiento en alerta y vigilancia. También realiza actividades de observación del personal acuático y auditorías de desempeño técnico. Estamos muy orgullosos de nuestros salvavidas y de su diligencia para proteger la seguridad de nuestros visitantes. El equipo acuático de Thornton recibió el estándar E&A Gold en 2018. Ofrecemos un programa extenso de clases de natación en nuestras instalaciones bajo techo durante todo el año, y en nuestras piscinas al aire libre en los meses de verano. Mas de 3,000 niños participan en nuestro programa cada año. Contamos con personal altamente capacitado que imparte clases de natación en ocho niveles diferentes, que se ofrecen en una variedad de días y horas durante todo el año para satisfacer sus necesidades. Las clases están disponibles los lunes y miércoles por la tarde, martes y jueves por la tarde, y los sábados en la mañana en otoño e invierno. En los meses de verano ofrecemos clases de lunes a viernes, por las mañanas, en todas nuestras instalaciones, además de las clases vespertinas en los centros recreativos Trail Winds y Carpenter. También ofrecemos clases para adultos, y clases privadas para quienes desean asistencia individual.



Brenna Cer
Mamá de clases de natación

"En los últimos seis años nuestra familia ha aprovechado los programas para aprender a nadar en toda la ciudad, a casi todos los niveles: desde padres y bebés hasta el nivel ocho, y eventualmente al equipo de natación de CARA. Nuestras niñas siempre se han divertido mucho y han aprendido todo lo que necesitan para que podamos contar con ellas. Hemos estado solas en el agua. Hemos tenido excelentes instructores en todas las instalaciones a las que hemos acudido, y agradecemos todo lo que el personal hace para ayudarnos".

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ACONDICIONAMIENTO FÍSICO DE AIR

ALGUNOS EJEMPLOS DE APOYOS PARA LA INCLUSIÓN Y ADAPTACIONES DE LA ADA SON:

- Contratar a un intérprete de lengua de señas para un programa
- Impartir capacitación adicional al personal de recreación general
- Elaborar un plan de apoyo conductual
- Brindar apoyo de personal adicional
- Ofrecer equipo adaptativo

OPORTUNIDADES DE AIR

Ofrecemos una variedad de programas de AIR todo el año como programas temporales o por ocasión única, actividades sin cita, y sesiones de 5-6 semanas. Los programas de AIR reciben a personas con todo tipo de capacidades, y están diseñados específicamente para satisfacer las necesidades de las personas con discapacidades. La recreación contribuye más a nuestro bienestar cuando hay un equilibrio entre el nivel de desafío y la diversión, ¡y esperamos ofrecerlo en todos nuestros programas de AIR!

COMITÉ ASESOR DE AIR

Esta es una oportunidad para que los miembros de la comunidad con discapacidades, así como sus cuidadores, familiares y defensores, aporten sus opiniones y sugerencias sobre la accesibilidad, inclusión y oportunidades adaptativas de Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios de Thornton. Valoramos sus ideas y queremos escucharlo!

VOLUNTARIADO

AIR está buscando voluntarios que ayuden en nuestros programas. Comuníquese con Becky para hablar sobre las oportunidades, o llene una solicitud en línea.

Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrecemos, visite gocot.net/air.



OPORTUNIDADES DE RECREACIÓN ADAPTATIVA E INCLUSIVA

ACTIVIDADES SOCIALES

- Noche de niños y adolescentes
- Grupo de juegos de AIR
- Un bingo muy especial
- Bailes de temporada

CLASES DE ENRIQUECIMIENTO Y DEPORTIVAS

Estos programas rotan a lo largo del año.

- Deportes de Olimpiadas Especiales
- Programas de enriquecimiento
- Clases de gimnasia, natación y baile de AIR
- Programas de acondicionamiento físico
- Programas de inclusión sin cita

AVENTURAS DE AIR

AIR colabora con socios dedicados a deportes adaptativos para ofrecer equipo e instrucción especializados que permitan incluir a todos los participantes, especialmente a los que tienen discapacidades físicas.

- Arquería adaptativa
- Ciclismo adaptativo
- Excursionismo adaptativo
- Escalada en roca adaptativa

COMITÉ ASESOR DE AIR

- Reuniones regulares para escuchar comentarios y opiniones de la comunidad
- ¡Deje que se escuche su voz!

Los programas están diseñados para satisfacer necesidades personalizadas.



FIESTA DE INAUGURACIÓN DE AIR



El programa de Recreación Adaptativa e Inclusiva (AIR) de Thornton comenzó en agosto de 2019. Thornton valora a las personas con discapacidades y reconoce la importancia del acceso a oportunidades de recreación. El programa se diseñó para acercarse intencionalmente a las personas con discapacidades, acoger e incluir a personas con todas las capacidades en los programas y las instalaciones, y ofrecer programas adaptativos diseñados para satisfacer las necesidades individuales.

El programa es coordinado por una especialista certificada en recreación terapéutica (CTRS, por sus siglas en inglés). Convertirse en CTRS requiere un título universitario de 4 años (o experiencia equivalente), aprobar un examen nacional de certificación, y 50 horas de educación continua cada cinco años para mantener la certificación. Con esto se garantiza que el programa AIR mantenga estándares elevados y siga las tendencias y temas de actualidad en el sector. Al practicar la recreación terapéutica, nos concentramos en promover el bienestar y desarrollo físicos, emocionales, sociales y cognitivos, ¡a través de la recreación y la diversión!

RECREACIÓN INCLUSIVA

La recreación inclusiva permite que personas con todo tipo de capacidades, incluyendo a quienes tienen discapacidades físicas o cognitivas, participen juntos en los programas y las actividades. Así se promueve la diversidad y se añade valor a la experiencia de los participantes, con y sin discapacidades.

Thornton incluye a personas de todos los niveles de capacidad en nuestros programas recreativos. Nos esforzamos no solamente por satisfacer los requisitos de la ADA, sino por crear una comunidad acogedora e inclusiva. Si ve que se ofrece un programa en el que le gustaría participar, pero necesita

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alguna adaptación o apoyo para inclusión, conteste "sí" en la pregunta correspondiente durante su inscripción o comuníquese con la coordinadora de AIR. Puede hacerse una evaluación para determinar qué tipo de adaptaciones razonables o apoyos para la inclusión se necesitan. Por favor envíe sus solicitudes al menos dos semanas antes de la fecha de inicio de la clase que le interesa. Para obtener más información comuníquese con Becky Post, coordinadora de AIR, al 720-977-5702 o en becky.post@ThorntonCO.gov.

"¡Creo que el programa AIR es asombroso! He tenido experiencias que probablemente nunca antes habría tenido la oportunidad de intentar. ¡También me ha enseñado cosas nuevas que nunca pensé que fueran posibles con una discapacidad! Me encantó el programa de gimnasia por que me hizo moverme, en el bingó conocí a nuevos amigos, y aprendí mucho en la genial noche de videojuegos adaptativos. Estoy súper emocionada de probar las clases de escalada en roca, de cocina y de demostración. Creo que es un gran programa que todos deberían probar".

Mariah Tollman
Participante en AIR



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PROYECTOS RECIENTES DE MEJORA DE CAPITAL

SENDERO Y PROYECTO PILOTO DE BIG DRY CREEK

La restauración de la llanura aluvial continúa a lo largo de Big Dry Creek en el área del proyecto piloto, entre 152nd Parkway y E-470, al oeste de York Street. Con fondos aportados por el Condado de Adams y la Lotería de Colorado, se ha realineado el arroyo Big Dry Creek y se ha conectado a su llanura aluvial histórica.

REEMPLAZO DEL PARQUE DE PATINAJE CONMEMORATIVO THOMAS J. SLOCUM EN EL PARQUE COMMUNITY

El parque de patinaje existente desde hace 20 años en el Parque Community se reemplazará por completo con nuevas instalaciones que incluyen un parque de patinaje integrado y una pump track de concreto. Está en la fase de diseño, y se prevé que quede terminado en la primavera de 2021.

PARQUE PARA PERROS TRAIL WINDS

El parque para perros permanentemente ubicado en el Complejo del Parque Trail Winds quedará concluido este verano.

El acceso al estacionamiento está al oeste de la rotonda de 134th Avenue. El único parque para perros existente actualmente en Thornton, incluye dos áreas que separan a perros grandes y pequeños y tiene refugios con sombra con mesas de picnic y bancas. Consulte la fecha de inauguración en thorntonparks.com.

SEÑALIZACIÓN DE SENDEROS

Se ha desarrollado un programa de señalización de senderos para ayudar a los usuarios a orientarse con facilidad en las más de 150 millas de senderos de Thornton. Las señales se instalarán de manera escalonada a partir de principios de 2021.

PARQUE EN 88TH AVENUE Y HURON STREET

Este parque, que se inaugurará en la primavera de 2021, contará con una cancha cercada de fútbol soccer, juegos infantiles y refugios con sombra.

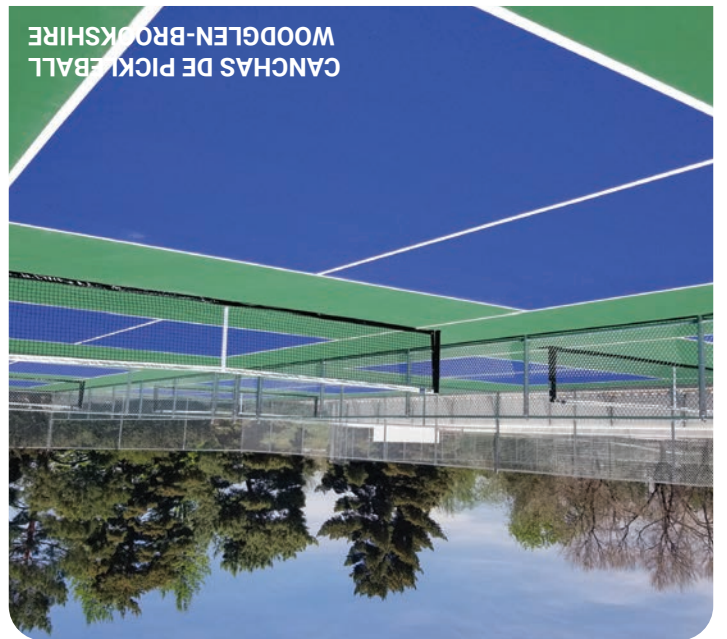
construcción de cuatro canchas de pickleball al aire libre en el Parque Woodglen-Brookshire y los juegos infantiles renovados en el Parque Skylake y el Parque Colony.

Apenas hemos mencionado algunos de los extraordinarios proyectos de parques, instalaciones y servicios que su equipo de Proyectos y Planeación de Thornton se ha esforzado en hacer realidad. Está pendiente del nuevo parque que se está diseñando en 88th Avenue y Santa Fe Drive, las instalaciones del Sendero Niver Nature Heritage que estarán en el espacio abierto de Niver, el reemplazo del parque de patinaje que irá acompañado por una asombrosa pump track en el Parque Community y los senderos regionales en el espacio abierto de Big Dry Creek, al norte y sur de 152nd Parkway.

Para obtener más información sobre los proyectos, para expresar ideas, inquietudes y necesidades de la comunidad, o para ayudarle a entender cómo los subsidios financian proyectos de mejora que la ciudad de otro modo pospondría o no incluiría, visite gocot.net/projects.



Esperamos tener noticias suyas.



Construimos espacios de reunión para vecinos, familiares y amigos.

Margaret W. Carpenter, que se construyó con dinero de los contribuyentes y subsidios. El objetivo de este proyecto era crear un espacio de reunión para la comunidad que promoviera la recreación inclusiva para todas las edades y capacidades. Este parque y espacio abierto de 150 acres cuenta con un carrusel, lagos con botes de pedales, un parque de patinaje, anfiteatro, juegos infantiles con acceso universal, un campo de fútbol, pabellones en alquiler, canchas deportivas para baloncesto, tenis, bochas y tejo, además de canchas polivalentes, estanques de pesca y senderos en circuito que rodean y atraviesan los espacios abiertos de Grange Hall Creek. Otros proyectos notables incluyen la inauguración del Centro Recreativo Trail Winds en la esquina de Holly Street y 136th Avenue en 2019 y recientemente, la inauguración del nuevo Centro para Adultos Activos de Thornton en la esquina suroeste de 112th Avenue y Colorado Boulevard en 2020.

El equipo de Proyectos y Planeación hace grandes esfuerzos para aprovechar los fondos del impuesto para parques y espacios abiertos de Thornton al solicitar diversos subsidios locales, estatales y nacionales que hagan rendir nuestros dólares y nos ayuden a crear proyectos recreativos que ofrezcan una gama de experiencias a los visitantes. Desde el año 2000, la división ha conseguido subsidios por más de 31 millones de dólares! Agradecemos a nuestro socio, el Condado de Adams, por su reciente subsidio por más de 2 millones de dólares para el diseño y la construcción de los nuevos campos de béisbol y jaulas de bateo de Riverwalk que se inauguraron en mayo de 2019. Todos los fondos del impuesto para parques y espacios abiertos y de los subsidios se usan para llevar a cabo excepcionales proyectos de parques, espacios abiertos y recreación, para beneficio de la comunidad!

Si bien numerosos proyectos se financian con el impuesto para parques y espacios abiertos, hay muchos proyectos que se financian con fondos de otros ingresos especiales. Algunos de los proyectos más recientes en esta categoría incluyen la



PROYECTOS Y PLANEACIÓN

La División de Proyectos y Planeación de Thornton es la principal responsable de la gestión de proyectos de planeación, diseño y construcción de los proyectos de mejoras de capital de parques, recreación y espacios abiertos de Thornton; de la implementación del Plan Maestro de Parques y Espacios Abiertos; funciona como enlace con la Comisión Asesora de Parques y Espacios Abiertos y administra las solicitudes y asignaciones de subsidios externos que pueden aportar fondos adicionales para proyectos relacionados con parques y recreación.

La División de Proyectos y Planeación fue creada en 1998, después de la aprobación del impuesto a las ventas y usos para parques y espacios abiertos de Thornton en noviembre de 1997. El impuesto para parques y espacios abiertos es un impuesto del 0.25% a las ventas, por el que recibimos 25 centavos por cada 100 dólares de compras en Thornton. Estos impuestos se usan para financiar la compra de terrenos y el diseño y la construcción de instalaciones para parques y espacios abiertos. En 2013 los votantes extendieron el impuesto hasta 2038 y permitieron que se usara hasta el 20% de los ingresos para el mantenimiento del sistema de parques y recreación de Thornton. El impuesto seguirá ofreciendo oportunidades para preservar y mejorar

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los espacios abiertos y para construir y mantener nuevas instalaciones de parques y recreación durante muchos años!

Gracias al impuesto para parques y espacios abiertos, se creó la Comisión Asesora de Parques y Espacios Abiertos (POSAC) para ayudar en la elaboración y el mantenimiento del Plan Maestro de Parques y Espacios Abiertos y para aportar opiniones sobre el uso de los fondos provenientes de impuestos. Algunos de los usos son: comprar terrenos para parques, senderos y espacios abiertos; diseñar y construir nuevos tramos de sendero, rehabilitar jardines y sistemas de riego anticuados para que funcionen mejor y ahorren más agua; diseñar y construir nuevas áreas de juegos infantiles, canchas, parques, centros recreativos, hábitats de vida silvestre e instalaciones en espacios abiertos; actualizar el Plan Maestro de Parques y Espacios Abiertos, y elaborar nuevos planes maestros para áreas específicas, ya sean ecológicas (Big Dry Creek) o históricas (Lambertson Lakes Farmstead). El Plan Maestro sirve como guía para identificar e implementar las muchas necesidades recreativas de la comunidad.

Algunos ejemplos de proyectos que apoya el impuesto para parques y espacios abiertos son, entre otros, el Parque y Espacio Abierto

Marin, 10 años de edad
Clases de natación
"El Parque Carpenter es realmente genial! Es muy divertido escalar las rocas, y me gusta mucho y dar vueltas".



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BAR Y PATIO AL AIRE LIBRE DE SODERBERG'S BAR & GRILL

DATOS INTERESANTES DEL CAMPO DE GOLF THORNCREEK

Arquitectos originales: Finger, Dye, and Spann, Houston, Texas
 Construcción original: 1992
 Arquitectos del rediseño: Baxter Spann (2016 – 2018)
 Rediseño del campo, la casa club y el campo de práctica
 Reapertura: 2018
 Distancias: 2592-7201 yardas
 Pendiente femenil: 112-138
 Clasificación femenil: 68-74.6
 Césped: Tee Raigrás perenne Champion
 Fairway Raigrás perenne Replay
 Rough Pasto azul de Kentucky y raigrás perenne
 Green Agrostis T1

CARRITO ESPECIAL DE CONFORMIDAD CON LA ADA
 Thorncreek recibe a todos los golfistas con discapacidades y problemas de movilidad. Nuestro carrito especial equipado de acuerdo con la ADA está diseñado para ayudar a usuarios de sillas de ruedas a descubrir un extraordinario nivel de libertad e independencia en el campo de golf. El carrito está disponible sin costo para veteranos con discapacidades, así como para adultos mayores, adultos y niños con paraplejía, cuadriplejía, trastornos neurológicos, asimetría de extremidades o problemas de equilibrio.



Hoyo 7

PROGRAMA DE GOLF PARA ADULTOS MAYORES

La liga de adultos mayores de Thorncreek está abierta para hombres y mujeres de 55 años de edad en adelante. Los formatos de la liga varían para incluir competencias individuales, en parejas y en equipos. Se entregan premios a los mejores resultados de cada semana, y también hay una competencia por puntos durante toda la temporada, y un torneo con juegos individuales. Necesita un hándicap de GHIN para participar en la liga.

!Casa club y campo totalmente renovados!

CAMPAMENTO JUVENIL Y PROGRAMA DE CLASES SEMANALES

A partir de abril de cada año ofrecemos clases semanales para jóvenes, los sábados y domingos por la tarde y los martes y miércoles por la noche. Estas clases de una hora se concentran en fundamentos tales como putting, chipping, juego con hierros y tiros desde el tee. Además, durante los meses de verano ofrecemos dos campamentos de golf, comenzando con nuestra Semana de Golf Juvenil en junio, para quienes nunca han jugado y quienes desean repasar los fundamentos, y un Campamento Juvenil Avanzado en julio para quienes están listos para avanzar de nivel.

CLASES PRIVADAS DE GOLF

Si está buscando clases privadas de golf, ¡no busque más! Nuestros golfistas profesionales ajustan la enseñanza para satisfacer sus necesidades y metas personales, de modo que empiece a jugar mejor en unas cuantas clases. Thorncreek ofrece sesiones individuales de media hora, así como paquetes de cuatro lecciones con descuento. El Campo de Golf Thorncreek tiene lo que busca y es muy fácil comenzar. Simplemente visite la tienda de golf hoy mismo para programar su primera lección con nuestro personal calificado de golfistas profesionales.



¿LE GUSTA EL GOLF? ¡Venga a Thorncreek! Con nuestro campo e instalaciones totalmente renovadas, ofrecemos un excelente lugar de reunión para que usted y su familia disfruten un poco de golf, practiquen tiros largos, "putting" y "chipping", y disfruten del desayuno, el almuerzo o la cena en nuestro patio con hermosas vistas de las montañas, antes o después de su juego. Thorncreek ha hecho grandes esfuerzos para servir a los golfistas de Thornton y el área metropolitana a lo largo de los años, y para ser un excelente vecino y parte importante de la comunidad. Ya sea que busque actividades para mujeres, adultos mayores, jóvenes, hombres, accesibilidad de acuerdo con la ADA o actividades familiares, tenemos el lugar ideal para usted.

PROGRAMA DE GOLF FEMENIL

Ofrecemos muchos programas de golf exitosos para mujeres y hombres. La liga femenil de 18 hoyos "Chicks with Sticks" de Thorncreek ofrecen una atmósfera divertida y acogedora en la que todas las damas pueden disfrutar de un juego de golf. Los juegos femeniles se celebran los lunes por la mañana para la liga de 18 hoyos, de mayo a septiembre. No importa si es principiante, jugador casual o golfista serio, ¡tenemos un lugar para usted!

Compartir la pasión por el golf con las damas golfistas ha sido muy gratificante para el personal de Thorncreek. Desde las renovaciones a los fairways y los greens para hacer un campo más apropiado para las mujeres, junto con las clínicas, eventos de apoyo y eventos especiales celebrados en un ambiente divertido. Nuestras ligas no son intimidantes, pero ofrecen un buen

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desafío para damas de todos los niveles. Si busca participar en una manera divertida y entretenida de conocer a otras damas con los mismos intereses, no busque más.

PROGRAMA DE GOLF VARONIL

Las ligas femeniles ciertamente no son los únicos programas populares que se celebran en Thorncreek. Las ligas varoniles de Thorncreek también son muy populares. La liga varonil de 9 hoyos juega principalmente los jueves por la tarde, y los juegos comienzan en abril. También hay eventos mensuales de 18 hoyos, y un torneo de encuentros individuales y un Campeonato del Club de 2 días. Necesita un handicap de GHIN para participar en la liga.

Pam Hauck
Participante en la liga femeniil

"He participado en total en siete ligas de golf en mi vida, y tengo que decir que Chicks with Sticks de Thorncreek es una de mis favoritas. Las damas de la liga son muy divertidas. Vienen a jugar golf y a hacer nuevas amistades. Nadie actúa como si fuera mejor que las demás, y definitivamente vale la pena conducir los lunes por la mañana desde Cheyenne, Wyoming".



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PARQUE Y ESPACIO ABIERTO CARPENTER

Todos los lugares de pesca de Thornton están abiertos todo el año de 6 a.m.-11 p.m. (con las excepciones siguientes) y están sujetos a los reglamentos de pesca de Parques y Vida Silvestre de Colorado. En la mayoría de los lagos hay especies de aguas cálidas como robalo, mojarra oreja azul, bagre, robaleta negra, perca y pez luna, excepto por lo indicado a continuación.

LAGO DEL PARQUE CARPENTER | 3498 E. 112th Ave.
Alquiler de botes de pedales

LAGO DE CIVIC CENTER | 9500 Civic Center Dr.
ESTANQUES GRANDVIEW | 4750 E. 104th Ave.
Especies de agua cálida y trucha

ESTANQUE DE GRANGE CREEK PARK | 4800 E. 110th Ave.
Especies de agua cálida y trucha

GRAVEL LAKES | 8651 Colorado Blvd.
Especies de agua cálida y trucha
Abierto del 15 de marzo al 31 de octubre;
del amanecer al atardecer

LAGO DE HUNTERS GLEN | 951 E. 128th Ave.
Se permiten botes sin motor.

LAGOS LAMBERTSON | 1200 E. 101st Ave.

LAGO MARSHALL | 6246 E. 134th Ave.

ESTANQUE NOTTS | 11500 Birch Dr.

ESTANQUE DE PARK VILLAGE | 4051 Summit Grove Pkwy.

PARQUE SAGE CREEK | 12796 Jasmine St.

LAGO WEST SPRAT PLATTE | 5990 E. 100th Ave.
Especies de agua cálida y trucha
Abierto del 15 de marzo al 31 de octubre; del amanecer al atardecer

ESTANQUE DE WOODGLEN PARK | 11551 Madison St.

OPORTUNIDADES DE PESCA EN THORNTON



ESTANQUES GRANDVIEW

Le ayudamos a explorar, aprender y divertirse.

perros adyacente al Centro Recreativo Trail Winds, practicar sus habilidades en uno de nuestros tres parques de patinaje, practicar el disco golf en el Parque Springvale, o practicar o retar a un amigo en pickle ball en nuestras nuevas canchas dedicadas al pickle ball en el Parque Woodglen-Brookshire.

COMPLEJO DEL PARQUE CARPENTER

!El parque que reúne las mayores multitudes y ofrece más servicios es sin duda el Parque Carpenter! Este parque fue financiado con los ingresos del impuesto para parques y espacios abiertos de Thornton, junto con dos asignaciones de subsidios para espacios abiertos del Condado de Adams (\$1,876,122) y una asignación de subsidio para gobiernos locales de Great Outdoors Colorado (\$200,000). Ofrece un área de 17 acres para deportes de equipo recreativos, y también es la sede de varios de nuestros mayores festivales y eventos; numerosas canchas deportivas; un anfiteatro al aire libre; lagos para pescar y senderos de caminata. En ciertas temporadas se ofrece alquiler de botes de pedales, área de rocio y un carrusel. El complejo también es la sede del nuevo Centro para Adultos Activos de Thornton y del Centro Recreativo Carpenter. En una ciudad sin calle principal o plaza de la ciudad, muchas personas pueden considerar este complejo como el principal centro de reunión de la ciudad.

FORESTACIÓN

Es muy difícil cultivar árboles en Colorado. Hacen falta tiempo, paciencia y pasión. El personal de forestación de Thornton tiene todo eso, pero no siempre es suficiente. La tierra y el clima de Colorado parecen diseñados para decepcionar nuestra forestación. Pero la esperanza nunca muere, y seguimos decididos a cultivar y proteger a cada uno de nuestros 10,000 árboles.

Para más información, visite gocolorado.net/parks.

!Visite gis.cityofthornton.net/parkfinder para ver una lista completa de todos los parques, lugares de pesca y complejos deportivos de Thornton y sus servicios!

SISTEMAS DE SENDEROS DE THORNTON
De todas las maravillosas instalaciones de las que Parques y Forestación de Thornton se encarga, los senderos probablemente son los más usados por nuestros habitantes en la vida cotidiana. Zanjias de riego de hace siglos ahora forman los senderos que enlazan el este y el oeste. Los senderos Signal y Heritage son el orgullo del sistema, con sus imponentes árboles y su vida silvestre, mientras que la Reserva Natural Eastlake y los estanques de pesca de Gravel Lakes atraen más personas de fuera de Thornton.

CONVENIENTES PARQUES VEGINALES
Los parques vecinales tales como el Parque Yorkborough en el sur y el Parque Fallbrook en el norte, son ejemplos brillantes de algunos de los espacios de Thornton

SERVICIOS ESPECIALES EN PARQUES
Además de senderos, juegos infantiles y refugios, los parques de Thornton también ofrecen a sus residentes una variedad de servicios recreativos especiales. Puede disfrutar un tiempo con su amigo de cuatro patas en el nuevo parque para familias.

SERVICIOS ESPECIALES EN PARQUES
características especiales y únicas para todos los habitantes de la localidad y sus familias.

que ofrecen oportunidades para disfrutar de actividades y recreación de calidad al aire libre. Yorkborough, con sus colinas onduladas y zorros residentes, tiene la serenidad que todos buscamos. Fallbrook tiene el sonido de niños jugando casi todos los días, y ofrece hermosas vistas de las montañas al oeste. En total, Thornton tiene más de 90 parques vecinales que ofrecen características especiales y únicas para todos los habitantes de la localidad y sus familias.

La División de Parques y Forestación de Thornton es un grupo dedicado de aproximadamente 60 hombres y mujeres que trabajan de tiempo completo para mejorar su calidad de vida y ayudarle a explorar, aprender y divertirse en los excepcionales parques y senderos de Thornton. El personal de Parques y Forestación usualmente trabaja los siete días de la semana durante la primavera y verano, y entre semana en otoño e invierno, desde 166th Avenue al norte hasta 84th Avenue al sur. Cuidan de todo lo que crece y las cosas con las que se juega en nuestros 90 parques, que combinados representan un gran total de 2,500 acres de tierra, y de 150 millas de senderos. Esta división es responsable del mantenimiento general de todo lo anterior, así como de remover la nieve de las aceras y los senderos, podar, cuidar de arbustos y lechos de flores, mantenimiento de juegos infantiles, camellones centrales, paisajes urbanos y derechos de vía.

"Mi familia y yo disfrutamos de las muchas millas de senderos para caminar y andar en bicicleta de Thornton, que nos conectan con nuestros vecinos y con los abundantes recursos naturales de Thornton. Apreciamos que, además de ofrecer de Thornton, estos senderos también tienen el potencial para servir como corredores de vida silvestre que proveen paso seguro y hábitats a las creaturas que nos encantan observar, desde las pequeñas abejas hasta las silenciosas lechuzas y los tímidos zorros".

Kate Stander
Residente de Thornton
y usuaria de senderos



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Agradecemos la oportunidad de servirle.

Un maestro y padre de la localidad acudió a Enlaces Comunitarios en un momento de necesidad desesperada. Estaba buscando vivienda asequible en el área de Thornton para vivir con sus hijos. Nuestra división pudo proporcionarle recursos para encontrar vivienda y financiamiento para su nueva vida. Con nuestra asistencia logró moverse en la dirección correcta y conseguir una vivienda adecuada para sus necesidades.

El maestro nos envió un correo electrónico muy amable: "Quiera agradecerles su bondad al ayudarme. Parte de la información que me proporcionaron era totalmente nueva para mí, y era justo lo que necesitábamos para comenzar de nuevo".

Todos los días tenemos la oportunidad de marcar una diferencia. Si necesita recursos, no dude en comunicarse con nosotros; ¡nos encantaría que sea nuestra próxima historia de éxito!

COMO AYUDAMOS

PROGRAMAS ASISTENCIALES

Enlaces Comunitarios es la oficina de ingreso de elegibilidad para asistencia con su factura de agua de Thornton, tarifas reducidas de recreación, reembolsos de impuestos prediales y en ventas de alimentos a adultos mayores, y el programa de descuentos para recolección de chatarra Click and Haul.

AYUDA PARA VIVIENDA

Los propietarios de vivienda de bajos ingresos en Thornton pueden ser elegibles para recibir un subsidio para ayudar con reparaciones menores de la casa, incluidas modificaciones de accesibilidad, reparaciones de plomería o reparaciones eléctricas.

Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrecemos, visite gococ.net/connections.



PODEMOS PROVER REFERENCIAS PARA ASISTENCIA CON

- Alimentos
- Problemas legales
- Empleo
- Servicios de salud
- Servicios de salud mental
- Servicios para adicciones
- Situaciones de crisis y emergencias
- Cuidado de niños
- Educación
- Envejecimiento
- Discapacidades
- Problemas de vivienda y albergue
- Necesidades básicas y problemas financieros
- Impuestos
- Niños con discapacidades
- Inmigrantes y refugiados
- Oportunidades de subsidios para organizaciones sin fines de lucro
- ¡y MÁS!



ENLACES COMUNITARIOS

MANERAS EN QUE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD PUEDE AYUDAR

MERCADOS DE AGRICULTORES

Apoye a los agricultores de la localidad y consiga frutas y verduras frescas en nuestros mercados de agricultores de temporada, organizados con nuestros socios Anything Huron Street, el Departamento de Salud de Tri-County y la Asociación Estadounidense del Corazón. Los residentes de Thornton pueden aprovechar el valor doble de sus fondos de SNAP; cupones de WIC para frutas y verduras gratis, y pases de autobús de RTD provistos a quienes usen transporte público. Los adultos mayores de Thornton también pueden recibir cupones para frutas y verduras gratis.

CAMPAÑAS COMUNITARIAS DE THORNTON

La División de Enlaces Comunitarios organiza varias campañas comunitarias durante el año para recolectar artículos tales como alimentos para los bancos de alimentos que ayudan a residentes de Thornton, artículos para mascotas para las mascotas de adultos mayores, útiles escolares para niños y jóvenes necesitados, y calcetines para la comunidad sin hogar de Thornton.

PROGRAMA DE REGALO NAVIDEÑO PERFECTO

El programa de *Regalo navideño perfecto* reúne a donadores generosos, que donan regalos y comidas, con familias necesitadas de la localidad, las cuales son recomendadas por el personal participante de agencias de la comunidad. Done individualmente o en grupo. Este es un excelente proyecto navideño para negocios y organizaciones durante la época decembrinal!

HUERTOS COMUNITARIOS

Thornton tiene muchos huertos comunitarios. Todos los huertos comunitarios de Thornton están abiertos a los jardineros de todas las edades y todos los niveles de capacidad. Los huertos comunitarios participantes que donen una parte de sus frutas y verduras a los bancos de alimentos locales incluso pueden recibir un descuento en su factura de agua de Thornton.

Si usted o alguien que conoce necesita una referencia para recibir asistencia en cualquiera de las áreas que se mencionan en la página 17, llame al 720-977-5800, de lunes a viernes de 8 a.m.-5 p.m. o envíe un correo electrónico a connections@ThorntonCO.gov.

La División de Enlaces Comunitarios nació del deseo de Thornton de brindar asistencia a nuestros vecinos, y nuestro amistoso personal bilingüe está ansioso de ayudar a su comunidad. Nuestro equipo participa con regularidad en eventos de alcance comunitario en todo el condado. No dude en comunicarse con nosotros si desea que asistamos o hagamos una presentación en uno de sus eventos futuros.

El amor por Thornton y sus habitantes hace que nuestra división crezca. Ya sea que esté buscando oportunidades de participar en su comunidad o que necesite servicios de apoyo, puede llamarnos.

Agradecemos la oportunidad de servirle, y le invitamos a que se comuniquen con nosotros. Visite nuestra oficina en 9471 Dorothy Blvd., llámenos al 720-977-5800, o envíenos un mensaje a Connections@ThorntonCO.gov. ¡Estamos listos para atenderlo!

Enlaces Comunitarios
720-977-5800
Connections@ThorntonCO.gov

En cualquier época del año puede ver arte público instalado a lo largo y ancho de Thornton. Preste atención a las coloridas cajas de tráfico, animados animales de bronce, caprichosas esculturas en rotundas e imponentes murales, así como a las obras enmarcadas en exposiciones temporales con obras de artistas locales y regionales durante todo el año en la Galería OZ del TACC, el Centro para Adultos Activos, el Centro Recreativo Trail Winds y el edificio de Desarrollo Económico. También puede admirar en cualquier momento la colección de arte público de Thornton en línea, visitando ArtsThornton.com y haciendo clic en Public Art Collection.

Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrecemos, visite gocot.net/arts.

*Adaptándose a los lineamientos vigentes de Covid-19 para grupos en espacios en interiores.

INSTALACIONES DE ARTE Y EXPOSICIONES PÚBLICAS

Asista a un nuevo programa después de la escuela para aprender fundamentos de cocina, baile, dibujo, alfarrería y música instrumental. Los estudiantes trabajarán en grupos pequeños guiados por instructores calificados durante varias semanas, y concluirán con recitales y exposiciones donde muestren su progreso. Esta academia con costo ofrecerá becas, dependiendo de los subsidios disponibles.

ACADEMIA DE ARTE DE THORNTON 2021

Cada año, en noviembre, organizamos la mayor celebración comunitaria, el Día de los Muertos, ¡con música, baile, comida y diversión! Venga con disfraces para participar en el concurso de la Catrina y traiga fotografías de sus seres queridos para colocar en el altar. Es gratuito y abierto al público en general en el Centro Comunitario de Thornton (TCC); venga a disfrutar la comida, el arte y la cultura que se celebran en esta fiesta popular. También celebramos la diversidad cultural y artística con nuestros conciertos de temporada en interiores en el Centro de Artes y Cultura de Thornton. ¡Consulte con frecuencia el calendario de eventos en línea de ArtsThornton para ver los eventos que se aproximan!

¡Nuestro teatro y galería están disponibles para alquiler!



CONCIERTO DE VERANO



ARTE PÚBLICO

¡PARTIcipe CON LA DIVISIóN DE ARTE Y CULTURA DE THORNTON!

- Ayúdenos a ampliar nuestros diversos programas de arte y cultura para enriquecer y lograr la participación de la creciente comunidad de Thornton. Consulte artsthornion.com para ver cómo puede participar.
- Asista a cualquiera de nuestras actividades gratuitas o de bajo costo y cuéntenos su experiencia;
- Organice su propia presentación, exposición o evento en nuestras instalaciones de alquiler (TACC);
- Participe en nuevos proyectos de arte público enviando sus obras para revisión;
- Enseñe una clase de artes escénicas o visuales para adultos o niños en instalaciones de la ciudad;
- Patrocine o done apoyos en especie para cualquiera de nuestros programas de artes y cultura;
- O sea voluntario para apoyar uno o más de nuestros eventos, en interiores o exteriores.

En lo que sea que se sienta más cómodo, ¡esperamos verlo muy pronto en el TACC!

!Visite talents.thorntonco.gov y suscríbese a la categoría Arts and Culture para recibir información sobre todos nuestros programas, clases, exposiciones y eventos especiales!

SERIE DE CONCIERTOS TWIST AND SHOUT
El verano tiende a ser nuestra estación más activa, con eventos gratuitos y de bajo costo para todas las edades. Nuestra serie de conciertos de verano Twist and Shout se lleva a cabo en el Antiteatro del Parque Carpenter (CPA, por sus siglas en inglés) que está situado en 112th Avenue y Madison Street. De mediados de junio a principios de agosto, los jueves por la noche puede escuchar a las mejores bandas tocar de todo, desde bluegrasses hasta blues, desde rock and roll hasta sabrosa salsa, además de música tradicional de conciertos de banda. Traiga comida, una manta o chaqueta, ¡y relájese para ver el atardecer mientras disfruta la música! En ciertas noches se ofrecen conciertos de verano en cada distrito electoral durante las reuniones sociales con helado. Convida con amigos, vecinos y sus concejales mientras disfruta del helado gratis acompañado de música.

PROGRAMAS DE VERANO PARA JÓVENES
En el TACC ofrecemos varios campamentos de verano diurnos para estudiantes de primaria y secundaria. Cada programa está diseñado para exponer a los jóvenes al arte, la cultura, la ciencia y la historia en un entorno divertido. Estos campamentos de una semana, con costo, ofrecen a los jóvenes la oportunidad de aprender nuevas habilidades usando la tecnología, la música y el arte para crear obras maestras en miniatura que se exponen el último día de cada campamento semanal.

CLASES DURANTE TODO EL AÑO
A lo largo del año ofrecemos clases de artes visuales y escénicas, presenciales y por internet, para todas las edades. Las clases enfatizan los fundamentos y forman habilidades de música, baile, dibujo, pintura, artes audiovisuales y teatro. Cada experiencia es única y se adapta a todos los niveles de habilidad.

¿Le gusta bailar o actuar? ¿Cantar en la ducha o tocar la guitarra? ¿Anhela ser pintor o poeta? ¿O simplemente quiere ensuciarse las manos haciendo algo creativo? Visite el Centro de Artes y Cultura de Thornton (TACC) en 9209 Dorothy Blvd. Inaugurado en 2011, el TACC es el centro de actividades para las artes escénicas y visuales en Thornton. En cualquier día podría admirar una exposición en la Galería OZ, ensayar con el coro o la banda de la localidad, asistir a un campamento o concierto, inscribirse en una clase de arte o participar en celebraciones culturales anuales, como el Día de los Muertos. Sea cual sea su pasión, ¡desarrolléla (o descubra una nueva) en el TACC!

Ailsa Zimmerman
Gerente de Artes y Cultura
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Brooke Divorly
Aficionada al arte de Thornton
"Mis hijos adoran todos los festivales, y a mí me encantan los conciertos de verano."
¡Gracias por todo lo que hacen!"





ACONDICIONAMIENTO FÍSICO PARA ADULTOS ACTIVOS

CENTRO RECREATIVO TRAIL WINDS SECCIÓN PARA ADULTOS ACTIVOS

La sección para adultos activos, ubicada en el Centro Recreativo Trail Winds, abrió sus puertas en noviembre de 2019. Esta ubicación organizó una variedad de actividades, entre ellas: almuerzos compartidos, charlas, clases de enriquecimiento para adultos y clase de acondicionamiento físico. Tenemos clases de yoga, taichi y baile en línea para adultos de 62 años y más. También hay una sala de bienestar, donde se ofrecen masajes y servicios de podología. Se ofrecerán eventos especiales, programas sin cita, servicios y acupuntura, así como días de películas, bunto, y juegos de mesa y de cartas.

El vestíbulo de la sección para adultos activos de Trail Winds tiene un toque propio. Es un lugar donde todos le conocen por su nombre y donde puede formar vínculos. No necesita pagar una entrada para sentarse a tomar un café, no hay requisitos previos para compartir su historia; solamente hay una comunidad que ha surgido por parte de los habitantes del vecindario y los cuales tienen el tiempo y el interés de hacer algo más.

BIENVENIDO AL VECINDARIO NUEVO CENTRO PARA ADULTOS ACTIVOS

El Centro para Adultos Activos de 25,000 pies cuadrados que se encuentra en la esquina suroeste de Colorado Boulevard y 112th Avenue ofrece un ambiente renovado y espacioso para explorar, aprender y divertirse. Este edificio de una planta cuenta con una sala de estar con chimenea, aula para artes, salón de eventos con plataforma, salas de bienestar, cocina para clases y áreas dedicadas a acondicionamiento físico.

Con vistas a la montaña al oeste, aulas espaciaosas y una ubicación céntrica, además de acceso a múltiples espacios recreativos cercanos, este es un lugar encantador para reunirse y envejecer bien. Acompañenos a tomar una taza de café y hacer un recorrido cuando desee.

Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrecemos, visite gocot.net/actividadult.



TRANSPORTE PARA ADULTOS ACTIVOS

OPCIONES DE TRANSPORTE Y DISPONIBILIDAD PARA 62 AÑOS Y MÁS

- Referencias a recursos de la comunidad
- Actividades y grupos sin cita
- Clases de enriquecimiento y educativas
- Programas de acondicionamiento físico y baile
- Clases de computación y tecnología
- Eventos por cumpleaños y días festivos
- Recreación al aire libre y viajes
- Programa de almuerzo diario y almuerzos compartidos
- Clases de cocina y nutrición
- Clases de artes, manualidades y alfarrería
- Masajes y acupuntura
- Podología y enfermeras visitantes
- Cine y cena con teatro
- Oportunidades de voluntariado

PROGRAMAS Y SERVICIOS QUE OFRECEMOS

TRANSPORTE AL CENTRO PARA ADULTOS ACTIVOS DEL PROGRAMA DE ALMUERZOS 303-255-7850

TRANSPORTE A CITAS MÉDICAS

A-lift | 303-235-6972
 RTD FlexRide | 303-299-2960
 Call-n-Ride Thornton/Northglenn | 303-591-1389
 South Thornton/Northglenn | 303-434-4247
 Federal Heights/Thornton/Northglenn | 303-434-3472

RECEPCIÓN DEL CENTRO PARA ADULTOS ACTIVOS

303-255-7850
RECEPCIÓN DE LA SECCIÓN PARA ADULTOS ACTIVOS DE TRAIL WINDS

720-977-5777

sugerencias de destinos, y algunos clientes usan estos viajes como una oportunidad para celebrar un cumpleaños, un aniversario, o para escaparse con amigos.

EDUCACIÓN

Un componente importante de las ofertas del Centro para Adultos Activos son clases, charlas y talleres educativos. Desde Fundamentos de Meditar y Terapia hasta Cómo Lidar con los Cambios, hay incontables maneras de activar su cerebro y aprender a superar los diferentes aspectos del envejecimiento usando herramientas útiles. Se invita a los participantes a jugar al bridge o buncó, aprender fotografía u otra habilidad nueva, descubrir su lado artístico o dedicarse a su pasión culinaria. También se ofrece educación en muchos temas comunitarios, como planeación de jubilación, novedades sobre el transporte y conciencia ambiental. Nuestro enlace con el Departamento de Policía de Thornton está disponible para contestar preguntas y resolver problemas en su comunidad.

ACONDICIONAMIENTO FÍSICO

Nuestras clases de acondicionamiento físico son un componente esencial de mantener un estilo de vida saludable al envejecer. Con más de 25 clases a elegir, las clases de acondicionamiento físico que se ofrecen en el Centro para Adultos Activos tienen algo para cada quien. Si prefiere ejercitarse solo, nuestro gimnasio tiene equipos excelentes, además de orientación y rutinas personalizadas para enseñarle y prepararlo para alcanzar sus metas de acondicionamiento.

BIENESTAR

El Centro para Adultos Activos tiene una variedad de ofertas de bienestar disponibles con descuento para nuestros adultos activos. Estos servicios contribuyen a su salud física y mental, y disfrutan la conveniencia de recibirlos en sus vecindarios. Tres terapias experimentadas ofrecen masajes semanales, y también se ofrecen servicios mensuales de podología, acupuntura, y evaluaciones físicas/cuidado de los pies a cargo de la Asociación de Enfermeras Visitantes. También se ofrecen diversas charlas educativas de salud y bienestar a lo largo del año, para mantener informado a los participantes y ofrecerles recursos nuevos al envejecer.

RECREACIÓN AL AIRE LIBRE

El Programa de Recreación al Aire Libre en nuestro centro organiza excursiones trimestrales y paseos con raquetas para nieve dependiendo de la estación, y es una excelente manera de conocer las laderas y montañas de Colorado con un grupo de entusiastas de los exteriores con gustos similares. Las personas interesadas en otros tipos de actividades de acondicionamiento físico pueden tomar una de las muchas clases de acondicionamiento, o venir a nuestro gimnasio. Para algunas personas el ejercicio en grupo es la mejor manera de adquirir condición física; para otros la mejor manera de comenzar es una sesión personalizada con un miembro de nuestro personal que le explique cómo usar un equipo de ejercicio y lo anime a usarlo. ¡Usted decide lo que funciona mejor en su caso! El Centro para Adultos Activos de Thornton ha tenido un dinámico programa de recreación al aire libre durante muchos años. El senderismo, los paseos con raquetas para nieve y los viajes de aventura son solo algunas de nuestras muchas opciones para adultos con nosotros, recibirá una experiencia memorable con personal experimentado y capacitado.

PASEOS

Con más de sesenta paseos diarios al año, quienes estén interesados en aprender algo nuevo o en comer con compañeros en un restaurante pueden inscribirse para un paseo diario. Museos, festivales, días de campo, obras de teatro, salas de té y recorridos son solo algunas de las opciones que se ofrecen. Además, se coordinan uno o dos viajes al año en los que pasamos la noche fuera, para permitirnos explorar mejor un área interesante. Si no le resulta fácil viajar, acompañarnos a una charla sobre viajes.

Los participantes en paseos diarios dicen que han hecho amistades, explorado lugares que nunca habían visto, y disfrutado la camaradería entre los participantes. Otros beneficios son no tener que conducir en el tráfico ni preocuparse por los detalles. Nuestros conductores de furgonetas son experimentados y diligentes en garantizar la seguridad de sus pasajeros.

El Centro para Adultos Activos se asocia con Collette Tours para ofrecer también viajes extendidos a destinos nacionales e internacionales. Siempre agradeceremos las



Mary Haynes
Participante en taichi

"Empecé a aprender taichi con Elaine en 2018. Desde que me afilié al centro recreativo y empecé a tomar esta clase, he logrado muchas mejorías en mi estado de salud y bienestar general y he perdido más de 60 libras. Sin esta clase no podría levantar me de la cama, y siento que literalmente me salvó la vida. Estoy extremadamente agradecida por eso".



Ann Brothers

Participante en bienestar e integrante del Consejo Asesor

"En los últimos años he tenido problemas con el cuello y la espalda en más de una ocasión. Aproveché mucho la terapia con masaje, y realmente me ha ayudado a mantenerme en forma y a adquirir condición física para poder jugar golf, y caminar 18 hoyos a mi edad".



El Centro para Adultos Activos de Thornton ofrece una variedad de oportunidades para envejecer bien. Envejecer bien significa cosas diferentes para personas diferentes. Para algunos se trata de formar nuevos vínculos en la edad avanzada, después de una pérdida o transición. Para otros se trata de aprender una nueva habilidad, ofrecer un talento o simplemente participar en actividades que promueven el bienestar. Y para otros más podrá tratarse simplemente de encontrar un lugar fuera de casa en donde relacionarse. El Centro para Adultos Activos de Thornton es ese lugar. Nuestra misión es vincular y empoderar a nuestra comunidad para envejecer bien. Nuestro centro principalmente brinda servicios a adultos de 62 años en adelante, de lunes a viernes, de 7 a.m. a 5 p.m., con algunos eventos y clases especiales por las noches y los fines de semana para personas de 18 años en adelante.

PROGRAMA DE COMIDAS PARA ADULTOS MAYORES

Una de las maneras de participar en su comunidad es comer juntos. Nuestro programa de comidas sirve más de 300 almuerzos completos por semana, de lunes a viernes, a las 12 p.m., con un costo menor a cinco dólares. Muchos adultos activos disfrutan la interacción con el personal de cocina, y con los vecinos, voluntarios y amigos. Algunos de nuestros clientes más antiguos empezaron a participar cuando se inscribieron a los almuerzos y luego formaron relaciones con otras personas al seguir acudiendo. Venir a comer ofrece mucho más que nutrición; los participantes socializan, forman vínculos y crean nuevas relaciones. Las comidas para eventos especiales son acompañadas de concursos, entretenimiento y regalos de nuestra Organización 55+.

ADULTOS ACTIVOS VOLUNTARIOS

El Centro para Adultos Activos no sería exitoso sin la dedicación de muchos voluntarios que han trabajado mucho tiempo. Desde servir almuerzos hasta preparar eventos especiales y asistir a ellos, o dirigir el bingo, los voluntarios donan su tiempo y energía para crear experiencias significativas. Nuestros voluntarios promueven relaciones significativas para nuestros clientes, creando así una atmósfera acogedora. Los eventos anuales tales como la Comida con los nietos y la Cena con espagueti con alumnos de último grado de la Escuela Pública Mapleton permiten que las generaciones se reúnan y se apoyen en diferentes fases de sus vidas. Los voluntarios forman parte integral de nuestras operaciones diarias, y son invaluable para el éxito de nuestros programas.

!Visite talents.thorntonco.gov y suscríbese a la categoría Active Adult Center para recibir información sobre todos nuestros programas, clases, viajes, el programa de comidas y eventos especiales!



Winona Musgrave

Voluntaria desde hace mucho tiempo

"Visité el Centro para Adultos Activos de Thornton y me hice amiga de varias señoras en la recepción y el comedor. Una de ellas me preguntó si me interesaba servir almuerzos los viernes. Dije que sí, y eso fue hace treinta años y sigo aquí. Somos como una enorme familia".

Lisa Randall
Gerente de Programas para Adultos Mayores
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"Actúa como si lo que haces marcara una diferencia. Lo hace".

~ William James

"El voluntariado es el máximo ejercicio de democracia. Puedes votar en elecciones una vez al año, pero al hacer trabajo voluntario votas todos los días por el tipo de comunidad en el que quieres vivir".

~ Anónimo

Los voluntarios son una parte importante de los cimientos de una comunidad participativa en Thornton. El voluntariado no solo permite la realización de muchos de nuestros programas, sino que también ofrece a los residentes la oportunidad de fortalecer sus vínculos con la comunidad y desarrollar habilidades de liderazgo personal y profesional. La gama de oportunidades de voluntariado se extienden a todas nuestras divisiones y utilizan voluntarios de todas las edades, con una variedad de habilidades.

Además de ofrecer oportunidades de voluntariado temporales y a corto plazo, TPRCP está trabajando para desarrollar una sólida base de voluntarios que se integre a nuestros programas y en toda la comunidad. Estamos buscando personas cuyas ideas y entusiasmos residentes a invertir su tiempo y aprovechar sus capacidades de maneras gratificantes, al hacer trabajo de voluntariado con la comunidad de Thornton.



Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrecemos, visite gocot.net/volunteer.

CÓMO SER VOLUNTARIO EN THORNTON

A continuación se presentan algunos ejemplos de oportunidades de voluntariado a largo plazo que Thornton ofrece. Nuestro programa de voluntariado sigue creciendo conforme crecen las necesidades. Recuerde consultar nuestro sitio de internet en gocot.net/volunteer para ver todas las oportunidades actuales.

- Adopte una calle
- Miembros de consejos y comisiones
- Entrenamiento de Respuesta a Emergencias de la Comunidad (CERT)
- Entrenador de fútbol femenino
- Marcas para drenaje pluvial
- Academia de Policía para Ciudadanos de Thornton
- Defensores de víctimas
- Embajadores del Agua
- Jardines de demostración de bajo consumo de agua
- Cuerpo de Voluntarios de Jóvenes y Adolescentes de Thornton

Para obtener más información sobre el voluntariado, comuníquese con Heidi Mallon, supervisora de participación comunitaria, a heidi.mallon@ThorntonCO.gov o al teléfono 720-977-5967.

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LOS EFECTOS CONSTANTEMENTE CAMBIANTES DE LA COVID-19

La pandemia de COVID-19 sigue afectando todos los aspectos de nuestras vidas. Conforme nos hemos adaptado a los cambios y a la nueva realidad, el enfoque de Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios de Thornton sigue estando en la comunidad. Nos guiaremos por las necesidades de nuestra comunidad y trabajaremos duro para asegurarnos de que nuestras instalaciones, servicios, programas y personal sigan ayudando a Thornton a prosperar.

LO QUE DEPARA EL FUTURO

Esta revista es un primer paso para crear un Thornton que sea reconocido, inclusivo y acogedor, y que en general sea un destino en Colorado que otros lugares traten de emular.

El programa de Recreación Adaptativa e Inclusiva (AIR), por sus

siglas en inglés) inició en agosto de 2019 y ya ha mostrado

grandes avances para derribar barreras y aceptar a todos en

nuestros programas, instalaciones y servicios. Esperamos tener

la oportunidad de crear un robusto programa de voluntariado

en nuestro departamento, que no solo llene las brechas sino

que cree comunidad al valorar el tiempo invertido en el servicio

a otros, especialmente a quienes están subrepresentados o

marginalizados.

En términos de sostenibilidad, esperamos que nuestros árboles

se declaren un activo de infraestructura y promovemos los

principios de sostenibilidad y conservación al reducir el consumo

de agua y la poda, y al crear áreas naturalizadas para la flora y la

fauna. También queremos implementar pronto parques libres de

tabaco, para que nuestras instalaciones públicas, como canchas,

juegos infantiles, campos, parque de patinaje, parques para

perros y todos los lugares donde haya niños y jóvenes presentes

estén libres de tabaco.

Esperamos implementar en los años próximos una

próspera Academia Deportiva de Thornton. El objetivo sería

concentrarnos solamente en desarrollar las habilidades mediante

entrenamientos, en un entorno más apropiado y profesional que

un club deportivo. El objetivo era hacer pruebas piloto este verano

con el pase T-Pass con el que, por \$50, cualquier participante de

10 a 16 años de edad podrá usar todas nuestras instalaciones

que no requirieran cita (centros recreativos, piscinas al aire libre,

jaulas de bateo, campo de práctica de golf, gimnasio, pared de

escalas) de manera ilimitada. El plan es expandir este pase para

incluir varias instalaciones de la zona metropolitana que permitan

a los jóvenes mantenerse activos con actividades deportivas,

educativas y recreativas durante los meses de verano.

Nuestra historia y nuestros cimientos nos guían hacia el futuro.

Planeamos seguir sirviendo a los habitantes de Thornton a



El Fondo de Fideicomiso para Tierras Públicas (Trust for Public Land, TPL) reconoce a Thornton con un nivel muy alto, ya que el 93% de nuestra población tiene acceso a un parque o área verde a menos de 10 minutos caminando de su residencia, lo que representa un logro a nivel nacional. Además, el TPL también nos clasifica en el 10% más alto de las ciudades en gasto per cápita en parques y recreación, con más de \$150. Estamos bien posicionados para seguir siendo líderes nacionales en parques y recreación, ya que nuestros residentes votaron un impuesto a las ventas dedicado del 0.25% en 1998, que se ha renovado tres veces y actualmente tiene una fecha de vencimiento en el 2038.

El personal profesional y dedicado de Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios de Thornton está en buena posición para ser líderes a nivel nacional. Nuestros servicios atraen a cerca de dos millones de participantes cada año, y en la reciente evaluación de necesidades de la comunidad (enero de 2020) fuimos calificados como 'buenos a excelentes' por el 95% de los participantes en una variedad de preguntas relacionadas con nuestros servicios, niveles de servicio y participación de la comunidad en general.

TPRCP aporta valor económico a Thornton al aumentar la base tributaria y los valores de inmuebles. Las viviendas ubicadas junto a un parque tienen una valuación más alta que las que están cerca de un parque, y los estudios nacionales muestran que la diferencia está en el rango de 1-2%. La cobertura forestal de Thornton nos ahorra dinero en gestión de aguas pluviales, aporta sombra a la ciudad y reduce nuestra huella de carbono. También se sabe empíricamente que las personas y empresas se mudan a ciudades donde hay abundantes parques y recreación. Ofrecemos una dosis saludable de vitamina N, reduciendo la incidencia de enfermedades, estrés y presión arterial alta, y mejorando el nivel general de salud y bienestar. Socialmente, los parques crean igualdad y es el único lugar en donde todas las poblaciones son acogidas al mismo nivel y se eliminan las barreras para crear comunidad. Además, TPRCP permite que nuestra población de adultos mayores participe en oportunidades de fortalecer sus vidas, y con nuestra orientación a programas de servicio social, ofrecemos recursos que les permiten superarse y sentirse valorados. Los parques también son un lugar para la expresión, ya sea a través del arte o de una actividad recreativa, y salvamos vidas al ofrecer a los jóvenes un lugar para congregarse y ser ellos mismos, sin estigmas.

Todo esto ocurre en Thornton, y con la ayuda y orientación de usted seguiremos mejorando en todas las facetas. Nuestro sencillo objetivo es ser el mejor departamento de parques, recreación y programas comunitarios de la nación, y ser reconocidos como un servicio esencial en la ciudad de Thornton.

SOMOS PARQUES Y RECREACION



HISTORIA DE NUESTRA PROFESIÓN

Los muchos jardines imaculados que han existido a lo largo de la historia usualmente han estado en palacios o han sido propiedad privada. Conforme las dinastías se desvanecieron, más y más de ellos se abrieron al público, y muchos emperadores los aprovecharon para fortalecer sus regímenes. Los jardines eran un beneficio codiciado, un lugar para alejarse de los rigores cotidianos y disfrutar de un espacio de renovación.

De estos antecedentes, en la Gran Bretaña de mediados del Siglo XIX surgió el deseo entre el pueblo de tener un lugar donde no tuviera que oler las aguas negras o "miasmas", como las llamaban. El primer parque público oficial se abrió en Derby, en la parte norte de Inglaterra, en 1840, llamado Derby Arboretum. El segundo le siguió poco después en Birkenhead, cerca de Liverpool, Inglaterra, en 1847. El padre de la arquitectura paisajista estadounidense, Frederick Law Olmsted, visitó ambos parques y quedó impresionado por la manera en la que todos los niveles de la sociedad podían disfrutar de una instalación pública. De hecho, en estos parques, las casas que estaban frente al parque tenían un valor adicional, y las personas de más recursos las compraban como señal de su clase.

Olmsted y Calvert Vaux ganaron una competencia para diseñar lo que se convertiría en Central Park en New York, y partes del mismo se abrieron al público en 1858. El parque que hoy conocemos se abrió en su totalidad en 1876, y en sus 843 acres ofreció a la población de New York algo que anhelaban. Olmsted posteriormente diseñó varios sistemas de parques del país, incluyendo los de Buffalo, New York y Louisville, Kentucky, además de diseñar hermosos jardines para los ricos, incluyendo el que está en Biltmore, en Asheville, North Carolina.

Con la revolución industrial y los cambios sociales generalizados, los parques y las áreas verdes se volvieron la norma, y las ciudades que los instalaron se convirtieron en lugares atractivos para la inmigración y el crecimiento poblacional. A fines del Siglo XIX y principios del Siglo XX inició la revolución recreativa, cuando los usuarios pidieron que se programaran actividades en estos

espacios y los centros comunitarios empezaron a tomar forma, usualmente con espacios separados para hombres y mujeres. Esto evolucionó a la construcción de piscinas comunitarias, y la mayoría de las ciudades, grandes y pequeñas, construyeron un natatorio; con la llegada de las YMCA se formaron alianzas para ofrecer actividades en las piscinas. En Estados Unidos estas piscinas públicas estaban reservadas para blancos, ya que la segregación era omnipresente en el país.

Conforme la sociedad evolucionó en las tumultuosas décadas de 1960 y 1970, los parques y centros comunitarios se convirtieron en espacios de reunión en los que se desarrollaron ideas e innovaciones en el juego organizado. Conforme las barreras culturales fueron demolidas, los parques y la recreación aumentaron su importancia y su inclusión, para permitir que personas de todas las edades exploraran, aprendieran y jugaran, adquiriendo habilidades para la vida tales como bailar, nadar o tocar instrumentos musicales. Mientras aparecieron más y más centros comunitarios, especialmente en las grandes ciudades, aumentó el clamor para la creación de un organismo nacional que orientara los parques y la recreación. La Asociación Nacional de Recreación y Parques (NRPA) se fundó en agosto de 1965 con la fusión de cinco organizaciones nacionales existentes: la Asociación Nacional de Recreación, el Instituto Estadounidense de Ejecutivos de Parques, la Sociedad Estadounidense de Recreación, la Conferencia Nacional de Parques Estatales y la Asociación Estadounidense de Parques Zoológicos y Acuáticos.

EL PANORAMA NACIONAL: Nuestro departamento es integrante de la NRPA y en su conferencia nacional en Baltimore, Maryland en otoño de 2019 fuimos reconocidos como finalistas de la Medalla de Oro para una ciudad con población entre 75,000 y 150,000; un reconocimiento que solo obtuvieron cuatro ciudades del país.

OBJETIVOS A FUTURO DE TPRCP

BIEN COMÚN

Implementar programas que ofrezcan valor a una mayor audiencia. Enfocarse en los servicios y las instalaciones que ayuden a eliminar las brechas culturales y económicas. Demostrar liderazgo a través de la innovación y la aceptación del cambio.

INNOVACIÓN

Ser líderes en innovación y recompensar los esfuerzos creativos, incluso al enfrentar resistencia. Resiliencia al abandonar esfuerzos inefectivos porque estamos apegados a prácticas familiares y seguras. Reinventarnos constantemente para seguir siendo un servicio esencial.

INVERSIÓN EN INFRAESTRUCTURA EXISTENTE

Hacer más inversiones en lo que tenemos y aprender a adoptar nuevas maneras de operar. Adaptar principios que nos hagan avanzar. Practicar una economía prudente para seguir creciendo y seguir siendo relevantes.

AUMENTAR LAS FUENTES DE INGRESOS

Ofrecer programas económicos y seguir siendo inclusivos en el acceso y la participación. Explorar fuentes alternativas de ingresos usando un modelo de recuperación de costos bien diseñado y práctico, fundamentado en la flexibilidad y solidez. Recuperación de costos que sirva como guía para mejorar la calidad, el acceso, los servicios y las instalaciones, y que permita aplicar la mejora continua a todo lo que hacemos y ofrecemos.

CREAR UN ACTIVISMO GENUINO

Enseñar a la comunidad el valor y la relevancia de Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios. Lograr que los empleados y funcionarios electos participen en un mayor nivel de activismo y en la búsqueda de la excelencia.

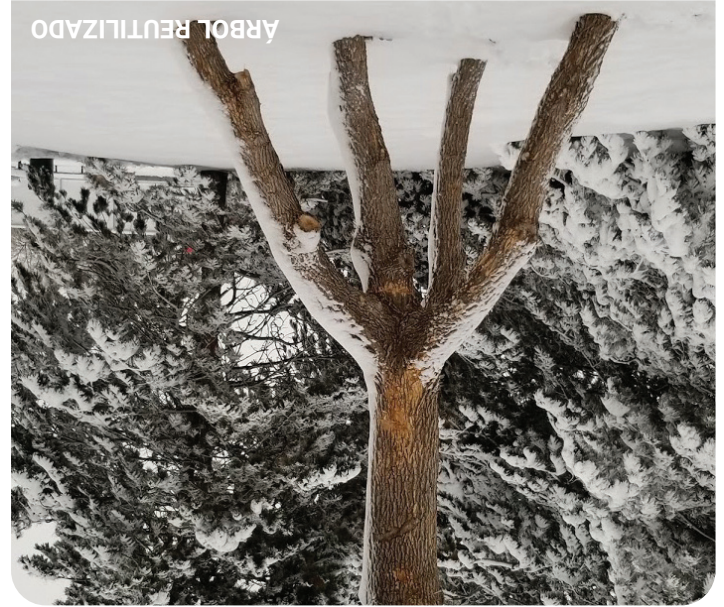
TRABAJO EN COLABORACIÓN

Enfoque en la creación de alianzas que tengan una buena tasa de retorno y sean de beneficio mutuo. Asumir riesgos y demostrar liderazgo al probar cosas nuevas y formar nuestro propio camino. Forjar nuevas alianzas que atraigan a todas las poblaciones y realmente promuevan una comunidad inclusiva.

CREAR UN IMPACTO POSITIVO Y COMPARTIR EL ÉXITO

Esforzarnos por causar un efecto a todas las poblaciones. Compartir nuestra maravillosa historia de éxito fundamentada en datos empíricos, al ser una organización esencial que crea comunidad, salva vidas, aumenta los valores de inmuebles, estimula el desarrollo económico, crea igualdad y preserva el medio ambiente en beneficio de las generaciones futuras.

El Departamento de Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios de Thornton está en una posición excelente para alcanzar estos objetivos y abrir el camino para crear y sustentar una comunidad próspera. Seguiremos haciéndolo al fomentar la participación de la comunidad en múltiples frentes y colaborar con nuestros socios, como la Comisión Asesora de Parques y Espacios Abiertos (POSAC), el Consejo de Adultos Activos de Thornton (TAAB) y el Consejo de Artes, Ciencias y Humanidades de Thornton (TASHCO).



Mientras ocurre el cambio a una reapertura escalonada de las instalaciones, el personal seguirá haciendo su máximo esfuerzo para asegurarse de que haya la mayor continuidad posible en programas y espacios seguros.

EL FUTURO

En retrospectiva, la normalidad que buscamos es un paisaje que cambia constantemente. Nuestro país sigue enfrentando desafíos de igualdad social, conservación, y salud y bienestar en general. Los datos empíricos lo demuestran. Sin embargo, hay algunas áreas de progreso que permiten prosperar a nuestras comunidades. Necesitamos ser mejores como sociedad y en nuestras comunidades compartidas. Nuestro departamento tiene la intención de ser líder en este esfuerzo de transformación.

Tenemos la responsabilidad de cuidar de lo que ya hemos armado y construido, siendo innovadores y creativos. Debemos evaluar adecuadamente los riesgos para superar todos los obstáculos y eliminar las barreras en nuestra comunidad. Es necesario hacer esta adaptación en el Departamento de Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios. Nuestra nueva realidad es la oportunidad de hacer un esfuerzo intencional por expandir los límites del cambio.

Si bien la pandemia creó una cantidad significativa de desafíos, también nos presenta oportunidades para adaptarnos y mejorar. Todos nuestros programas seguirán creciendo y se presentarán en esta edición inaugural de la Revista de Thornton. Las ofertas detalladas de cada programa se incluirán en folletos individuales que estarán disponibles en todos los locales de la ciudad y asociados (y en línea, en thorntonparks.com). No encontrará un mejor valor que el que ofrecemos en los programas de Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios de Thornton. Esperamos poder interactuar con usted y servirle. Además, estamos dedicados a convertir a Thornton en el mejor lugar para vivir, trabajar, divertirse y retirarse, no solo en Colorado, sino en la región y en el país. Gracias por su apoyo.

Para obtener más información sobre lo que ofrece nuestro departamento, visite nuestro sitio de internet en thorntonparks.com.





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recibir el doble de sus fondos de SNAP, cupones de WIC y la reposición de pases de autobús para quienes usen ese medio de transporte para llegar a los eventos. Puede comunicarse con Enlaces Comunitarios al 720-977-5800 o en Connections@ThorntonCO.gov.

PARQUES

Las actividades de parques y recreación son parte de la poesía de la vida. La pandemia ha alegría, placer y sentido. La pandemia ha demostrado que los parques son esenciales, como uno de los únicos lugares abiertos para descansar, relajarnos y rejuvenecer. Un desafío específico para la División de Parques era que la orden de permanecer en casa se dio durante uno de los meses más activos para el mantenimiento de los parques. Pero arte ese desafío, la COVID-19 nos ha dado la oportunidad de bajar el ritmo y enfocarnos en los eventos de la vida que son más significativos para nosotros. Conforme los parques se llenan de familias que dan caminatas diarias, la importancia crítica de que estos espacios abiertos estén disponibles para todas las personas por igual se vuelve más clara. Úntrnos en espacios públicos nos ofrece una rica experiencia y una oportunidad de estimular el desarrollo cultural y económico. Los parques nos ofrecen la oportunidad de reconocer las demandas de las personas con necesidades especiales, incluyendo a quienes juegan de manera diferente. Los parques reconocen el uso de diferentes lenguajes, hablados y no hablados, para comunicarnos. Los parques brindan acceso igualitario a todo lo que tienen importancia crítica para la calidad de vida de las personas, y de la sociedad en su conjunto. El futuro aún se está formando. El sector de parques y recreación quiere desempeñar un papel en la creación y formación de ese futuro, haciendo lo que mejor hacemos y ayudando a las personas a vivir sus vidas de la manera más plena. Los profesionales de los parques están dedicados a mejorar vidas mediante la creación de comunidades diversas, mejorando la salud mental y física de todos nuestros habitantes. Nuestro papel vital en los esfuerzos de sostenibilidad ambiental es cada vez más importante. Los parques desempeñan y desempeñarán un papel crítico para recuperar lo mejor del pasado y para llevar a la sociedad a un mejor futuro para todos.

PROYECTOS Y PLANEACIÓN

La División de Proyectos y Planeación también ha recorrido el territorio complicado de la COVID-19. Al igual que una gran cantidad de profesionales que trabajaron

durante la pandemia, se han adaptado a la nueva realidad de trabajar de manera remota y sostener reuniones virtuales con partes interesadas internas y externas. El trabajo de Proyectos y Planeación enfrenta desafíos similares al usar plataformas virtuales para analizar proyectos, coordinar el trabajo de diseño y comunicar los progresos entre los equipos de diseño y consultoría. Ha sido necesaria una capa adicional de creatividad en los esfuerzos para continuar recibiendo la participación del público en los procesos de diseño. La división hace esfuerzos cotidianos para recabar comentarios del público en general, para que las inquietudes, preguntas y necesidades del público influyan en el diseño de los proyectos. El acercamiento con el público y la comunidad de manera remota permite que el personal de la ciudad y los miembros del público interactúen desde sus hogares y lugares de trabajo, con la intención de cumplir los requisitos de las órdenes de permanecer en casa y mantener la seguridad de la comunidad mientras se reciben sus opiniones. Durante la pandemia se han continuado los trabajos de construcción, que incluyen la instalación de nuevos juegos infantiles en las áreas de juegos del Parque SkyLake y del Parque Colony. Además se concluyeron cuatro canchas dedicadas de pickleball al aire libre en el Parque Woodglen-Brookshire que se han utilizado mucho desde su inauguración.

RECREACIÓN

Al ser una división muy interactiva e instalaciones de recreación se vieron muy afectados por la pandemia, de muchas maneras diferentes. Desde hace muchos años la División de Recreación ha ofrecido a la comunidad maneras de mantener su salud física y mental y de mantener sus relaciones sociales. La COVID-19 inicialmente bloqueó estas avenidas a la salud y el bienestar. El personal de la División de Recreación se adaptó para superar estos obstáculos al cambiar a clases por internet y compartir sus conocimientos de manera virtual. Además, el personal contribuyó al organizar campañas de recolección de alimentos, hacer llamadas de interacción social, visitar instituciones para adultos mayores y fungir como Embajadores de Parques. Las aportaciones de la División de Recreación demuestran que TPRCP brinda un valor que refleja las necesidades de la comunidad.

TPRCP es un departamento que se está esforzando en seguir siendo efectivo y responsable, sin perder su enfoque hacia la igualdad social, la salud y el bienestar. Nuestro objetivo es lograr todo esto mientras fungimos como buenos guardianes del medio ambiente y del dinero de los contribuyentes. Estamos enfatizando la conservación de recursos al ofrecer el valor inherente a estos lugares y programas, y al abordar los cambios necesarios para seguir brindando servicios que son de importancia crítica para el bienestar de nuestra comunidad. Cada división del departamento ha tenido que hacer cambios para adaptarse a este cambio global.

CENTRO PARA ADULTOS ACTIVOS

Los efectos de la COVID-19 han afectado profundamente a la población atendida por el Centro para Adultos Activos (AAC, por sus siglas en inglés) y a todos los adultos mayores de nuestra comunidad. Muchos adultos mayores ya enfrentan sentimientos de aislamiento en circunstancias normales, y el coronavirus ha intensificado ese aislamiento. Los desafíos que enfrentan los adultos mayores se ven exacerbados por factores como problemas de salud, un cambio hacia medios de comunicación más técnicos, limitaciones adicionales en sus capacidades para interactuar con otros y, lamentablemente, por la manera en que la COVID-19 afecta desproporcionadamente a sus amigos. Para abordar estos desafíos, nuestro personal ha realizado llamadas de interacción social, brindando alegría y conexión social a los participantes en ambos lados de la conversación. Gracias a la capacidad y dedicación del personal para enfrentar el desafío y encontrar medios alternativos de brindar apoyos, los miembros de nuestra comunidad también pudieron participar en los programas y servicios del AAC. Esta población, pese a su vulnerabilidad durante estos tiempos, también es uno de los grupos más resilientes al enfrentar desafíos, como han demostrado con su capacidad de apoyarse unos a otros e profundizar esperanza y la convicción de que la vida seguirá. Nuestra comunidad de adultos activos está atenta a sus vecinos, apoya a sus familiares desde lejos, fabrica cubrebocas para desconocidos y entiende el valor de las relaciones sociales. Están agradecidos y se mantienen fuertes pese a la separación, y esperamos volverlos a ver pronto.

El nuevo Centro para Adultos Activos se inauguró este verano. Las nuevas instalaciones representan un espacio para un nuevo inicio y una oportunidad para el personal del AAC reciba con los brazos abiertos a la comunidad a la que sirven, con

un estilo de vida adaptado. Las personas de edad avanzada y adultos activos de Thornton son una parte de la comunidad que con frecuencia se pasa por alto, pero TPRCP ha asumido el compromiso de reconocer su valor y brindarles apoyo.

ARTES Y CULTURA

La División de Artes y Cultura se ha adaptado a la Covid-19 volcándose a los exteriores para presentar más de sus programas en los parques y vecindarios de la ciudad, a través de conciertos y camiones artísticos móviles. El personal también ha llevado el contenido de los programas a Internet al compartir exposiciones de arte, campamentos, clases y presentaciones musicales en las plataformas de redes sociales y el sitio de Internet de ArtsThorton. El Centro de Artes y Cultura de Thornton (TACC, por sus siglas en inglés) está abierto con un nuevo horario para permitir el acceso seguro a nuevas exposiciones en la Galería OZ. Además, la División de Artes y Cultura sigue apoyando a nuestros artistas y organizaciones artísticas de la localidad al poner el TACC a su disposición para grabar y transmitir sus exhibiciones y presentaciones.

ENLACES COMUNITARIOS

Desde que se creó la División de Enlaces Comunitarios, las necesidades de la comunidad nunca habían sido de tal magnitud. El desempleo ha causado pérdida de sueldos, por lo que muchas familias tienen problemas para pagar alquileres, hipotecas, servicios básicos, alimentos y otras necesidades. El temor, la ansiedad y el aislamiento han afectado el bienestar mental de muchos de nosotros. TPRCP ha asumido el compromiso de asegurarse de que las personas necesitadas no tengan que recorrer este territorio explorado por sí solas. Enlaces Comunitarios es el centro de recursos de la comunidad, y su personal sigue listo para servir. Nuestro personal bilingüe (inglés-español) puede conversar con usted por teléfono, correo electrónico o Zoom para conocer sus necesidades individuales y presentarle opciones personalizadas. El personal sigue procesando solicitudes de asistencia con el agua y reparaciones menores a viviendas. Enlaces Comunitarios está implementando nuevos procesos para mantener las actividades de sus programas, incluyendo los mercados campesinos de este año, que aplicarán prácticas de distanciamiento físico pero seguirán ofreciendo las frutas y verduras frescas y económicas que la comunidad ya espera de nuestros mercados. En el mercado campesino los visitantes pueden



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Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios de Thornton (TPRCP, por sus siglas en inglés) es un departamento que ofrece servicios esenciales para la ciudad de Thornton y sus habitantes. Nuestro personal tiene el compromiso de ofrecer lo mejor a todos los niveles de servicio, desde los centros recreativos hasta el campo de golf, y es fundamental para el mantenimiento de nuestros parques, programas, instalaciones y servicios.

El departamento se compone de ocho divisiones: Proyectos y Planeación, Parques, Recreación, Artes y Cultura, Adultos Activos, Enlaces Comunitarios, Participación Comunitaria y Administración. Proyectos y Planeación supervisa y administra nuestro programa de proyectos de capital. Estamos muy agradecidos con la comunidad por apoyar un impuesto a las ventas de 0.25% dedicado a parques y recreación, que en su última renovación se aprobó hasta el 2038 y con el que se pagan estas mejoras. La División de Parques administra el funcionamiento cotidiano de los parques, incluyendo el mantenimiento del campo de golf, forestación, horticultura, campos deportivos y jardinería.

Puede observar su trabajo en toda la ciudad, durante todo el año.

UN CAMBIO GLOBAL

Como parte integral de la ciudad de Thornton y de las vidas de sus habitantes, TPRCP se vio afectado por el nuevo coronavirus de manera similar al resto del mundo. La COVID-19 ha representado desafíos importantes para nuestra capacidad de disfrutar de los parques, participar en actividades recreativas sociales y participar en programas comunitarios. Esto se debe a que el principal lenguaje de nuestra participación en TPRCP es la interacción social. Para muchos de nosotros, interactuar con otras personas es una parte esencial del juego, la recreación y del disfrute al aire libre. Aunque algunas cosas pueden hacerse de manera virtual o

en aislamiento, el distanciamiento social crea una desconexión que afecta nuestro sentido de pertenencia a la comunidad. El coronavirus de fines de 2019 y principios de 2020 está creando una nueva realidad en la manera en que accedemos a los parques, la recreación y los programas comunitarios. Nos exige afrontar el cambio y desarrollar una nueva forma de hacer las cosas que antes solo requerían reflexión mínima de nuestra parte.

¡Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios de Thornton ha sido finalista del Premio Nacional de la Medalla de Oro de la Asociación Nacional de Recreación y Parques por dos años consecutivos!

Caminata con el director

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El programa del Premio Nacional de la Medalla de Oro de la Asociación Nacional de Recreación y Parques (NRP, por sus siglas en inglés) hora a las comunidades de Estados Unidos que demuestran excelencia en parques y recreación con planeación a largo plazo, gestión de recursos, voluntariado, conservación ambiental, desarrollo de programas, desarrollo profesional y reconocimiento de la agencia.



POLÍTICA DE INCLUSIÓN DE TPRCP

Incluimos a personas de todos los niveles de capacidad en nuestros Parques, Recreación y Programas Comunitarios. Nos esforzamos no solamente por satisfacer los requisitos de la Ley sobre Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA, por sus siglas en inglés), sino por crear una comunidad acogedora e inclusiva. Si hay un programa en el que le gustaría participar, pero necesita alguna adaptación, comuníquese con nuestra Coordinadora de AIR, Becky Post, CFRS, llamando al 720-977-5702 o enviándole un mensaje a becky.post@thorntonCO.gov.

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Trash/Recycling News

For details about any of these programs visit gocot.net/trashrecycling, email environmental@ThorntonCO.gov or call 720-977-6200.

New Year's Day

A one day holiday delay in city trash/recycling pick up on Friday, January 1. If your normal pick up day is Friday, it will be collected on Saturday.

Christmas Tree Curbside Collection December 28 - January 8

City trash/recycle customers may place their natural Christmas trees at the curb for collection on their regular trash day during this time. Please do NOT wrap the tree in plastic and be sure to remove all ornaments and lights.

Online Customer Trash/Recycle Request Service

Thornton trash and recycling customers can now use an online system for common service requests, such as scheduling a Click & Haul appointment, ordering an additional trash or recycle container, scheduling a lid replacement, or removing a container from their residence. Some fees and restrictions may apply. For more information visit gocot.net/trashrecycling.

Adopt-A-Street

To find out more about this volunteer program and how you can help support litter control efforts along Thornton streets, email environmental@ThorntonCO.gov.

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Take a Look Inside Your New Water Treatment Plant



The city of Thornton's new water treatment plant (TWTP) is a state-of-the-art, 20-million gallon per day, facility located at the southeast corner of Thornton Parkway and Washington Street. The TWTP began treating water in September, 2020, replacing the original Thornton water treatment plant, constructed in 1955. The new plant treats water from Thornton's Clear Creek and the South Platte River raw water sources and has the capability to treat Thornton's future water supply from the Cache la Poudre River.

The plant's foundation is made up of over 400 drilled piers that ensure the plant won't have foundational issues in the future. It was built with efficiency in mind by using gravity to move water through the various treatment processes, says Thornton's Infrastructure Executive Director Brett Henry. This saves energy, money and processing time. The site slopes from north to south so the treatment processes are able to use gravity, as opposed to pumps, for a more efficient system. The facility and site are also prepped for the addition of a solar power system, which Thornton hopes to install in 2022, says Henry.

The water treatment processes at the plant include ozone and bio-filtration systems, and remove 99% of taste and odor causing compounds found in Thornton's water sources. Our ultimate goal is to produce tasteless water, says Henry, It sounds funny, but the best tasting water usually is tasteless. As always, Thornton water meets all Safe Drinking Water Standards.

How does Thornton pay for a \$90 million water treatment plant? Just like a homeowner, Thornton uses various financing mechanisms to help with cash-flow. The TWTP was financed with water revenue bonds and the debt will be paid back over the next 30 years at a 2.31% interest rate. Thornton's current and future water customers. Monthly water bill payments are used to pay for critical replacements to Thornton's existing system. New water connection fees that are charged to new homes connecting to Thornton's system pay for any necessary expansion to the water system. Water rates are set to ensure that they recover the actual cost of providing service to customers including operating, maintenance and critical capital improvements like the treatment plant. Visit gocot.net/water for more information.


Thornton Detectives Recognized for Breaking Up Gift Card Scam

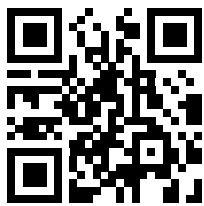
Thornton Police Detectives Bryan Bennett, Ty Deichert, Fred Longobricco and Ian Ranshaw have been recognized by the U.S. Justice Department as part of the Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service in Policing for their work in breaking up a scam that targeted mostly senior citizens.

The investigation began in 2018, when the Thornton Walmart contacted Thornton police regarding stolen credit card information being used to purchase gift cards, then sell them to seniors. The Thornton detectives partnered with the FBI, the U.S. Postal Service, Department of Homeland Security and the State Department. Senior citizens in particular were targeted by this confidence scheme, according to the Justice Departments press release. These seniors unknowingly became the source of millions of dollars of fraudulently obtained funds - funds that were eventually laundered and sold as gift cards overseas. The detectives conducted numerous surveillance operations, covertly went through the suspects' trash on multiple occasions, spent days reassembling shredded gift cards, and ultimately followed their leads to East Asia. As a result of the investigation, two defendants have pleaded guilty and another 25 defendants are being monitored.



Thornton Fire Offers Free COVID-19 Testing

Thornton Fire Department offers free drive-up COVID-19 testing on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8651 Colorado Blvd. Pre-registration is required. For more information go to gocot.net/covid19testing or call 303-538-7420. 



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Thornton's Community Connections Offers Help During Pandemic

Thornton's Community Connections Division provides a wide-range of resources and services that support our neighbors as they improve their quality of life in Thornton. "English-Spanish bilingual team members offer a tailored selection of programming and referrals to meet individual needs for food, clothing, shelter, social/mental health supports and beyond," says Thornton Community Connections Manager Jaylin Stotler. "Our team provides a welcoming and safe space for all Thornton residents to connect with life-enhancing support, referrals and services." [Services](#) include:


- Housing & Shelter
- Health Service
- Aging & Disability
- Immigrants & Refugees
- Food Assistance
- Mental Health & Addiction
- Basic Needs & Financial
- Legal
- Crisis & Emergency Issues
- Tax Assistance
- Employment
- Child Care & Education
- Children/Youth with Special Needs

For more information, visit gocot.net/connections, call 720-977-5800 or email Connections@ThorntonCO.gov.

La División de Enlaces Comunitarios de Thornton sirve como el centro de recursos centralizados para los habitantes de Thornton. Enlaces Comunitarios proporciona una amplia gama de recursos y servicios que apoyan a nuestra comunidad a medida que mejoren su calidad de vida en Thornton. Los miembros del equipo bilingüe, inglés-español, ofrecen servicios personalizados de programas y referencias para satisfacer las necesidades individuales en relación a alimentos, ropa, refugio, apoyo social / mental y más. Nuestro equipo ofrece un espacio acogedor y seguro para conectar a todos los residentes de Thornton con asistencia, referencias y servicios que ayudan a mejorar la vida.

Proporcionamos información sobre los siguientes recursos:

- Vivienda Y Refugio
- Servicios De Salud
- Envejecimiento Y Discapacidad
- Inmigrantes Y Refugiado
- Asistencia Alimentaria
- Salud Mental Y Adicción
- Necesidades Básicas Y Financieras
- Legal
- Crisis Y Emergencia
- Asistencia Fiscal E Impuestos
- Empleo
- Cuidado Infantil Y Educación
- Niños / Jóvenes Con Discapacidades

Para obtener más información, visite gocot.net/connections, llame al 720-977-5800 o envíe un correo electrónico Connections@ThorntonCO.gov. 

Thornton's Alliance/Alianza Helped Local Businesses Through COVID-19 Related Changes

Through the end of 2020, Thornton's Alliance/Alianza Business Center used a COVID-19 assistance grant to help small and home-based-businesses during the pandemic. The center is a network of resource providers that helps business owner's access local programs and services that assist small business operations during the pandemic. "Alianza provides the same business services as Businesses of Thornton Advisory Commission (BTAC), and the services are tailored to the specific needs and interests of Thornton's Spanish-speaking business community," says Thornton Local Business Administrator Robin Martinez.


"Our Spanish-speaking business owners make up a large portion of the Thornton business community. It's important that all Thornton business owners are represented and aware of our services, so they might take advantage of them when needed."

Over the last 10 years, Thornton's Economic Development Office and the Business of Thornton Advisory Commission has built a well-rounded small business service and support system with community partners and the local business community. "When it comes to small business, Thornton has a very supportive City Council," says Thornton Economic Development Director John Cody. "As a result, we have built one of the most robust Small Business Economic Development programs in the Metro area." Thornton Economic Development offers financial, marketing, networking, other forms of technical assistance and more. For more information visit businessinthornton.com. 






Thornton Active Adult Center's Curbside Meal Program

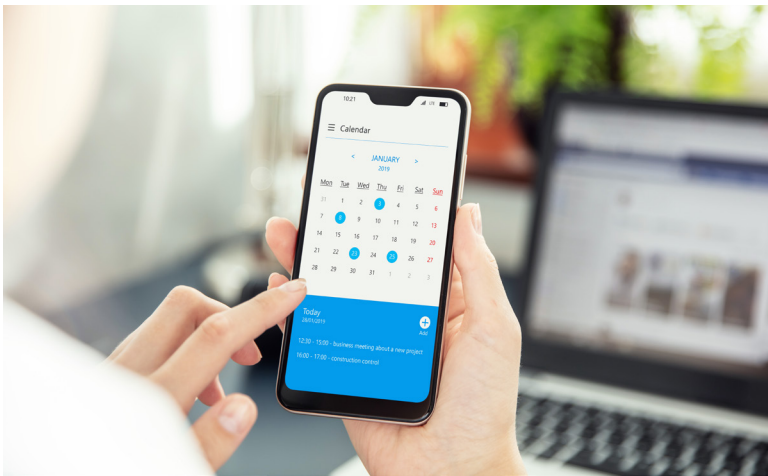
The Thornton Active Adult Center curbside meal program is serving meals right to seniors on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Seniors make a reservation, and pay for their meal by calling 303-255-7850. "The following day, they simply drive-up in front of the new Active Adult Center at noon, and a fresh meal will be brought directly to their car," says Active Adult Center Manager Lisa Ranalli. For more information call 303-255-7850 or visit ThorntonCO.gov/aac. 

Lead and Water Testing


If you get your water from the city of Thornton, and live in single family home built between 1983 and 1987, you can volunteer to have your water tested and receive lead and copper results. "Homes built between 1983 and 1987 are considered to be most at-risk for lead contamination," says Thornton Water Quality Lab Supervisor Hsueh Shih. "Thornton is doing this to ensure that consumers are not exposed to unacceptable lead and copper contaminants from their home plumbing." To volunteer for testing, contact the Thornton Water Quality Lab at waterquality@ThorntonCO.gov or 303-255-7770. Visit gocot.net/waterinfo for more information. 

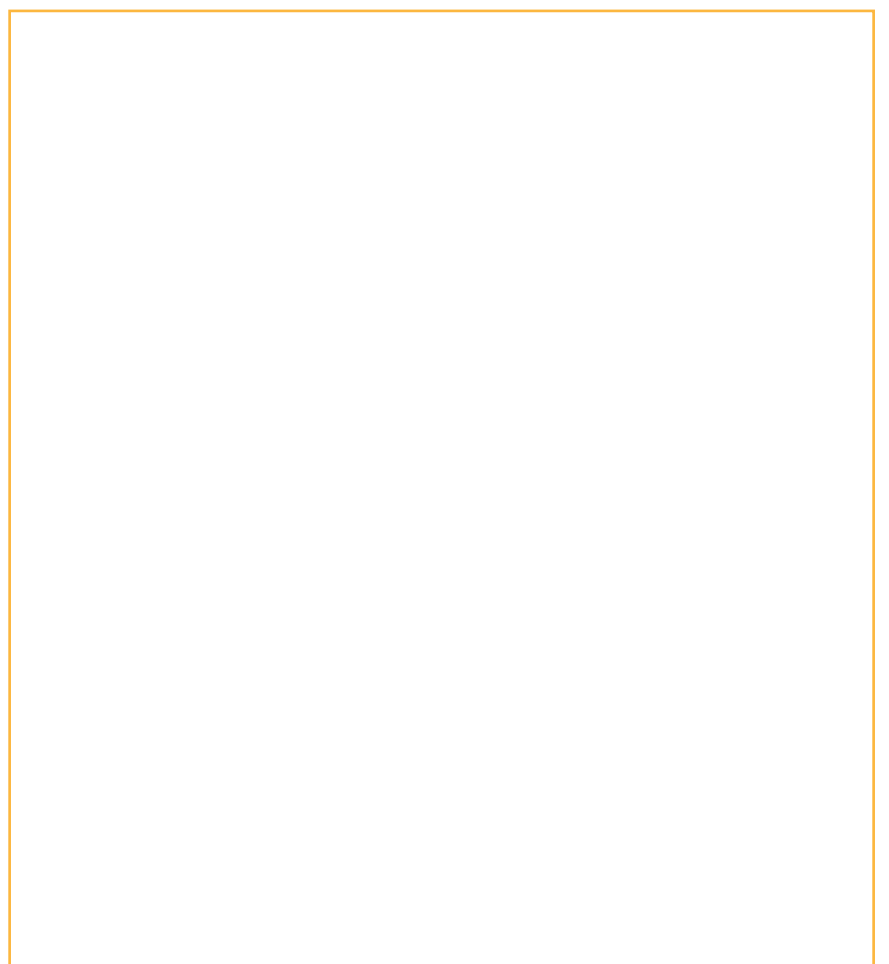
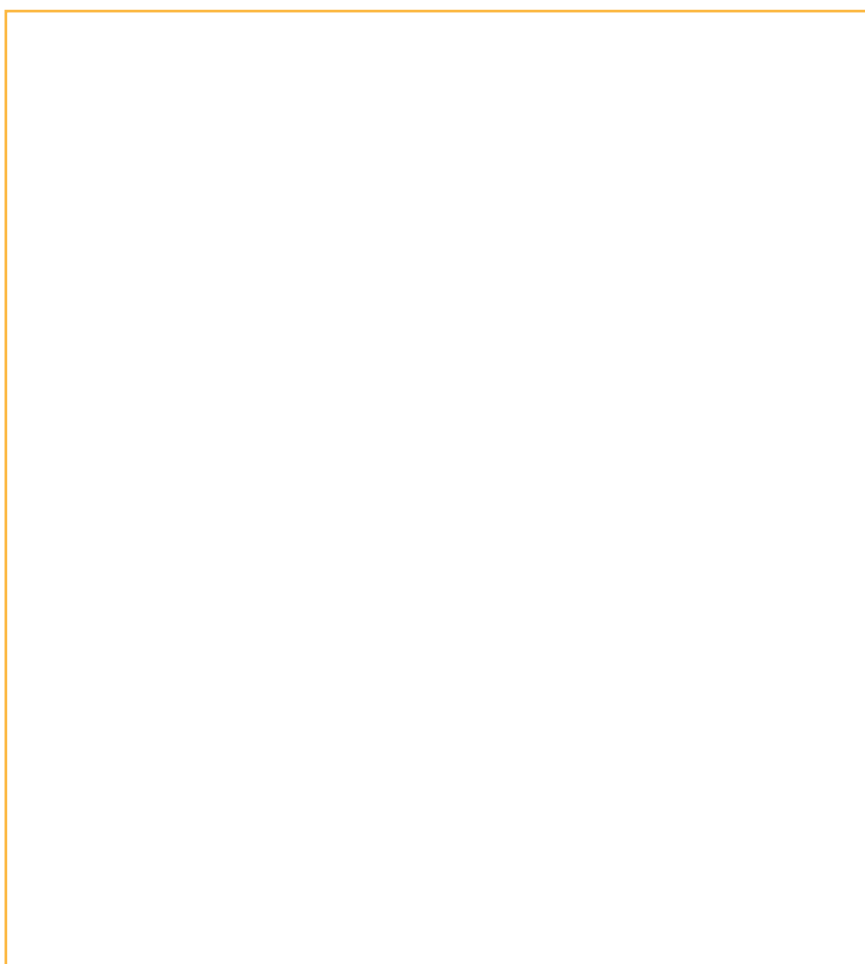


How to Find Your 2021 Trash and Recycling Collection Calendar



As a Thornton trash/recycling customer you can look up your collection schedule for your specific address at gocot.net/trashrecycling. You can also sign up to receive collection day reminders via email, phone call, or text message, or print your collection schedule or embed it in your iCal, Google or Microsoft Outlook calendar. Customers can also download the free mobile app City of Thornton Recycles which is available in the App Store and on Google Play.

"Thornton's Environmental Services Division continues to best serve our customers and with this online calendar and reminder system saves over 100,000 pieces of paper," says Thornton Deputy Infrastructure Director Todd Rullo. 



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City Council Meetings

Oct. 13 & 27, Nov. 17, Dec. 1 & 15

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City Facilities & Commonly Used Numbers

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Thornton Police Department and Municipal Court 9551 Civic Center Dr., 80229	Thornton Community Center 2211 Eppinger Blvd., 80229	Trail Winds Recreation Center 13495 Holly St., 80241
Infrastructure Maintenance Center 12450 Washington St., 80241	Thornton Active Adult Center 11181 Colorado Blvd., 80233	Thornton Community Connections 9471 Dorothy Blvd., 80229
Active Adult Center 303-255-7850	City Council & Mayor 303-538-7002	Pothole Repair 720-977-6464
Animal Control 720-977-5250	City Manager's Office 303-538-7002	Snow & Ice Control 720-977-6464
Arts & Culture Center 720-977-5880	Code Compliance 303-538-7517	Trail Winds Recreation Center 720-977-5700
Building Inspection 303-538-7250	Community Connections 720-977-5800	Trash & Recycling 720-977-6200
Building Permits 303-538-7250	Economic Development 303-538-7605	Utilities (Water, Sewer) 720-977-6500
Business Assistance 303-538-7605	Human Resources 303-538-7245	Utility Billing 303-538-7370
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