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JEFFERSON PARK News

A PUBLICATION OF JEFFERSON PARK UNITED NEIGHBORS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION SERVING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

JPUN GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, September 14, 6:30-8:00pm
General Membership Meeting - Link
Zoom Meeting ID: 899 545 6713
Password: jefferson
Call-In: 312-626-6799
or 346-248-7799
All are welcome

LAND-USE COMMITTEE MEETING

Land Use Meeting - Link
Thursday, September 2 at 6:30 p.m.
Zoom Meeting ID: 899 545 6713
Password: jefferson
Call-In: 312-626-6799
or 346-248-7799
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MAKE A TAX DEDUCTIBLE GIFT TO SUPPORT JPUN

As a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, your JPUN contribution is tax deductible. Send your contribution to: 2001 Eliot St. Denver, CO 80211

Get neighborhood updates at www.jeffersonpark.nextdoor.com and JPUN.org

Join Our Mailing List at JPUN.org

E-NEWSLETTER DRIVE

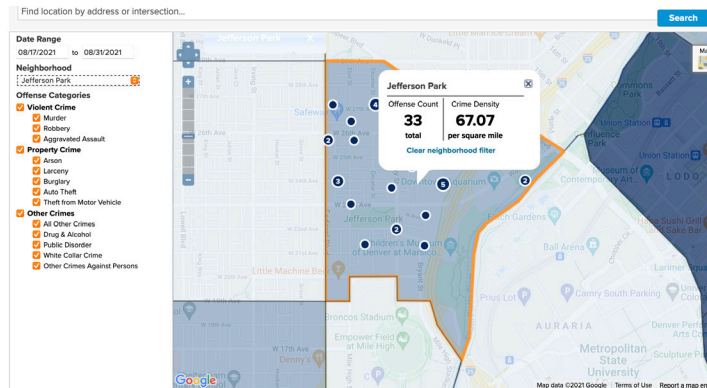
Send your e-news request to newsletter@jpun.org and type "E-NEWS PLEASE" in the subject line.

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CONCERN ABOUT CRIME IN JEFFERSON PARK



Since the start of August, Jefferson Park has seen some of the most crime in all of Denver.

Our neighborhood now ranks in the top ten of "Crime Density per Square Mile." Amongst the crimes reported include aggravated assaults, smash and grabs at local businesses, residential burglaries, theft from motor vehicles, and auto thefts.

What Can Be Done? Get Involved!

Helping deter criminal activity starts with community involvement. DPD recommends a "See Something Say Something" approach. If a crime is being committed call 911 and let the dispatcher know you would like to receive police contact (follow up) about the situation. Contact could be either in person or via phone. This action requires the police to track the incident, holds them more accountable for their actions and potentially elevates the call for dispatch.

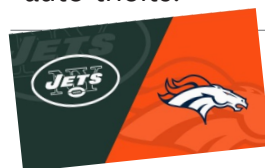
Join JPUN's Safety Committee

Though the committee went dormant in 2008 we'd like to have it revived with Your Help. Please send an email to info@jpun.org for more information. The committee will meet to address the concerns of residents and businesses, work collectively towards solutions and report out those concerns and solutions at JPUN's General Membership Meetings. Currently representatives from JPUN are working with Denver Police Department, Councilperson Sandoval and various city departments.

Meet with DPD Officers at these Upcoming Events

JPUN's General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, Sept 14 at 6:30

JPUN's Tailgate Party
District 1's Neighborhood Watch Coordinator will be on hand to discuss DPD's Neighborhood Watch Program which aims to prevent crime and strive to make your home, family, and neighborhood safer.



4TH ANNUAL JPUN BRONCO TAILGATE PARTY

Join friends and neighbors for our 4th Annual Tailgate Party as we help the Broncos beat the New York Jets.



We'll have delicious Araujo's breakfast burritos, Sexy Pizza, Briar Common Brewery + Eatery and great food from other local restaurants. Please consider bringing a favorite entrée, side or dessert to share. Tailgating wouldn't be complete without a little competition of corn hole and other lawn games.

Councilperson Sandoval, Denver Police Department and Denver Planning and Development will attend to discuss any neighborhood issues you may have.

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU

Email any stories, comments or ideas to our Editor at:
newsletter@jpun.org

All copy/photos/advertisements submitted to our Jefferson Park United Neighbors Newsletter will be edited and reviewed by our volunteer staff for style, grammar and content. JPUN reserves the right to refuse publication of any submitted material that does not meet our standards for a positive, educational community newsletter.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Police, Fire or Medical—EMERGENCY.....Dial 9-1-1
 Gas Leak or Electrical Emergency—Xcel800-895-4999
 select #1
 City of Denver 3-1-1 Help Center 3-1-1 or
 720-913-1311
 Police—City Non-Emergency Information720-913-2000
 Police—District 1 Station Information only.....720-913-0400
 Denver Public Library720-865-1111
 Regional Transportation District303-299-6000

CUT THIS OUT AND POST IT SOMEWHERE FOR QUICK REFERENCE!

CEC Early Learning Preschool

Located in Jefferson Park Neighborhood at 27th & Elliot



We are currently enrolling 3-5 year olds for this school year starting August 23rd.

We are a 1-classroom lab preschool that focuses on project based learning curriculum in a play based learning environment. Tuition assistance programs for qualifying families available.

Please call or email Molly Kerns if interested.
 303-480-2138 molly_kerns@dpsk12.org
www.cecdenver.dpsk12.org



FUN ON FEDERAL

FUN ON FEDERAL IS BACK FOR A 7TH YEAR!

Sunday, September 19th
 Starting at 4 pm

Food, Drinks, Entertainment, and Fun!

The Federal Boulevard Business Improvement District's annual "round-the-world" event is back!

Catch an improv comedy show at the Adams Mystery Playhouse and free food and drinks at nearby restaurants. Stroll around to Sexy Pizza, El Cazo, Jefferson Park Pub, Whirlybird Ice Cream, and Federal Bar and Grill to enjoy free tacos, pizza, ice cream, drinks, and more!

Click this link to register.
 Or, www.eventbrite.com/e/fun-on-federal-2021-tickets-168464336365

Our Out of This World's Newest Neighbor Set to Open September 17th!

ENTER TO WIN

ATTEND JPUN MEETING SEPT 14
WIN 2 MEOW WOLF TICKETS
BEFORE OPEN TO PUBLIC!



Alex Bennett, General Manager of Meow Wolf is attending our next General Membership Meeting on Sept 14.

Meow Wolf's third permanent immersive experience, "Convergence Station" opens in Denver on September 17.

Become part of the story and explore the cosmic collision of four worlds -- kaleidoscopic cathedrals, Corinthian catacombs, lush alien habitats and dazzling but gritty cityscapes -- to investigate the disappearances of 4 women 25 years ago.

The four floors of the installation incorporate over three years of work by hundreds of artists and collaborators with 79 "mind-bending" projects with titles like "Ruptured Time," "Crystal Future" and "Indigenous Futurist Dreamscapes Lounge." The number of projects will continue to grow as Meow Wolf will look for new Denver artists to collaborate with every year.

The \$60 million building, is wedged between Auraria Parkway, Colfax, and Interstate 25 in Sun Valley, one of the oldest communities in Denver and a melting pot of immigrants and refugees. Having strong local ties is important to Meow Wolf. The café is serving beer from the Latinx-owned Raices Brewery down the street. Of the 300 or so artists represented in the space, 110 of them are from Colorado. And the overarching narrative behind Convergence Station is inspired by the surrounding neighborhood of Sun Valley.

Tickets for Convergence Station are now on sale for \$45; \$35 for Colorado residents.



*A first look at Gremlin Symphony at Meow Wolf's Convergence Station in Denver.
 Courtesy of Meow Wolf*

5TH ANNIVERSARY PARTY
IN JEFFERSON PARK

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& TATTOOS

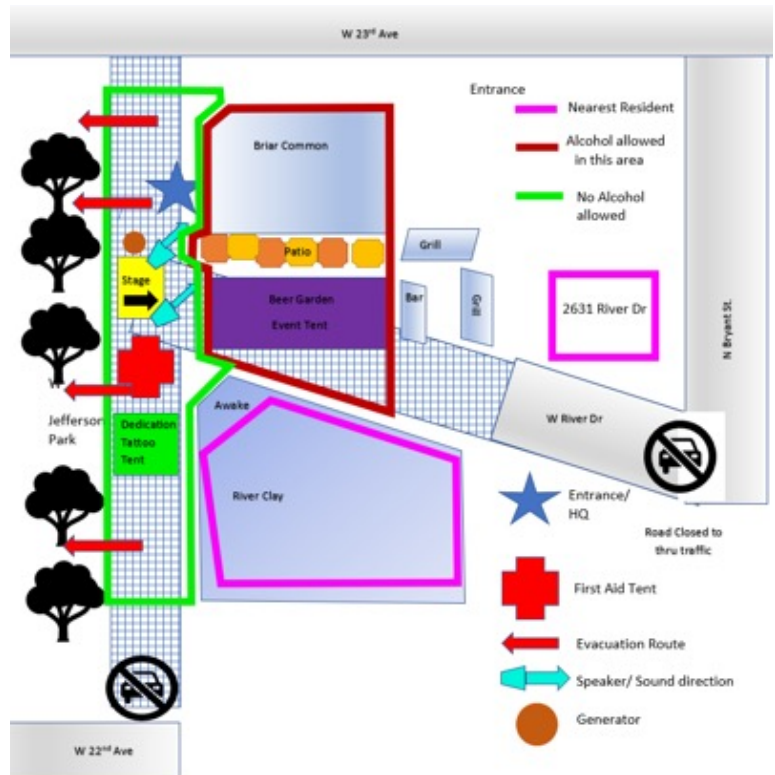
This October 9, 2021
from 4 to 7pm.

They will have live music, games, giveaways, Little Man Ice Cream and Dedication Tattoo at the event.



Road Closures and Parking Restrictions for the Event

Clay St between 23rd and W 22nd as well as W River Dr between the 2298 N Clay and 2240 Clay St will be temporarily closed and meter parking will be unavailable from Saturday October 9, 2021, at 1pm until 11 pm after event cleanup is complete. Attendees are being encouraged to take public transportation or ride shares to the event to help alleviate traffic and parking congestion.



Federal Boulevard Pedestrian Improvement Project

Let's make our lively Federal Boulevard even more vibrant - together!

The City and County of Denver Department of Transportation and Infrastructure has developed design concepts that will enhance safety and comfort for people walking along and across Federal Boulevard between 23rd and 27th Avenues, as well as along 25th Street between Federal Boulevard and Elliot Street.

Visit their self-guided online event to take a look at the proposed design concepts and provide your feedback by September 6, 2021.

Federalpedimprovements.com

YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED!

Federal Blvd Pedestrian Improvements Project

Let's make our lively Federal Blvd even more vibrant — together!
The City and County of Denver Department of Transportation and Infrastructure with the community has developed design concepts that will enhance safety and comfort for people walking along Federal Blvd between 23rd and 27th avenues, as well as along 25th St between Federal Blvd and Elliot St.

PROVIDE YOUR FEEDBACK AT
WWW.DENVERGOV.ORG

DENVER
THE MILE HIGH CITY

Denver Water @ JPUN Meeting September 14

Denver Water is reaching out to customers who have or may have a lead service line as they begin a 15-year effort to locate and replace the estimated 64,000 to 84,000 lead service lines, which includes Jefferson Park. These service lines do not belong to Denver Water, they belong to the property owner, much like a driveway also is the responsibility of the property owner. However, as part of the Lead Reduction Program, these lead service lines will be replaced at no direct charge to the customer. Denver Water is also providing customers in the program with a free pitcher and water filter, as well as replacement filters, to use for drinking, cooking and preparing infant formula until six months after their lead service line is replaced.

A representative from Denver Water will be at our Sept 14 meeting to share information about the Lead Reduction Program, answer questions and provide tips and tricks to help you get the most out of your water pitcher and filter.”



Do I have a lead service line?

Enter the address for your home and the map will provide your home's risk of lead in drinking water.

[Search by Address](#)

Tips for Watering Trees in Denver

By Denver Forestry Inspector Paul Cancik

In Denver's semi-arid climate, trees and water are both precious resources. However, with a few expert tips, you can preserve mature trees on your property and establish new trees that will help grow our urban canopy, diminish heat islands, and combat the arrival of Emerald Ash Borer.

Does my tree need more water?

In most cases, sprinkler irrigation and natural moisture from the occasional rainstorm do not provide consistent moisture for trees in Denver. It can be difficult, however, to tell whether a tree needs additional water simply by looking at it, so follow these tips to determine your tree's needs:

- Stick your finger into the soil at the base of your tree:
 - If it easily penetrates, the tree is adequately watered
 - If it's difficult to penetrate the dirt, the tree needs more water
 - If you observe standing water in the hole when you pull your finger out, the tree is over-watered, which can be as damaging as under-watering
- A soil moisture meter is another option for determining a tree's watering needs

How much water does my tree need?

Once you've determined that your tree needs more water, there are some standard guidelines for determining exactly how much. Regardless of the tree's age, a tree in a non-irrigated area needs 10 gallons of water per week per inch of trunk diameter. For example, a two-inch diameter tree requires 20 gallons of water per week. This can be spaced out over two to three days per week.

An easy way to match your watering technique to your tree's needs is to put a hose on a low-pressure setting and put it into a 5-gallon bucket (commonly found at home improvement stores), then time how long it takes to fill the bucket. Once you know the timing for your watering system, start a clock and move your hose around the base of your tree.

How do I effectively water my tree?

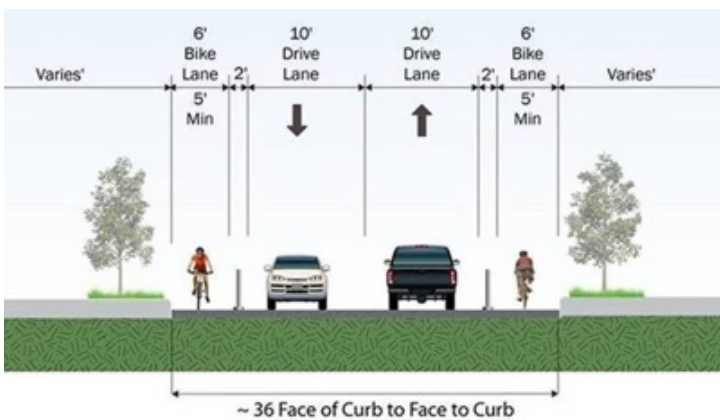
A simple hose is the most basic tool needed to water your tree, but soaker hoses, soft spray nozzles and soil needles can help break through the soil surface. Most absorbing tree roots are found in the first 12-inches of soil depth, so be sure water is applied slowly and has time to absorb into the soil and reach these vital roots.

Adding mulch around the base of your tree is a simple and effective way to help retain moisture. A maximum mulch depth of three- to five-inches is optimal, but be careful not to let the mulch directly contact the trunk of the tree.

Additional resources

Before you begin any watering program, it's important to get familiar with Denver Water's summer outdoor watering rules, which take into account our high summer temperatures and recent drought conditions. And while hand-watering trees is not restricted, we encourage following the recommended watering times of between 6 p.m. and 10 a.m. to optimize your efforts.

The Colorado State University (CSU) Extension is also a great resource for tree care and other home landscaping needs, including seasonal watering recommendations that are customized to our unique Colorado climate.



Installation of 23rd Ave Bike Lane

In Early September, the City and County of Denver will begin installing this new high comfort bikeway along W 23rd Avenue from Federal Boulevard east to Water Street, and to the Speer Boulevard Overpass/South Platte River Trail. The project aims to improve safety for all by dedicating space on the street for people to ride bike, providing elements of vertical separation between cars and

bikes to reduce conflict and lower the stress of travelling on the corridor.

This project will reduce parking spots on 23rd Avenue. People may want to choose alternate travel routes during installation as they may encounter delays when crews are working.

Project History

This corridor is popular for biking, providing a direct connection to downtown and destinations beyond. In 2017, funding for a protected bikeway along this stretch was approved through the Elevate Denver Bond Program. Public meetings were held in 2019 to gather feedback on design options.

If you would like to review materials from the community meetings or the final design, please visit the project website: <https://www.denvergov.org/Government/Agencies-Departments-Offices/Department-of-Transportation-and-Infrastructure/Programs-Services/Bicycles/Backbone-Connection>.

You're Invited!

Ready to roll up your sleeves?

Help create a shared community vision for the Chaffee Park, Sunnyside, Highland, and Jefferson Park neighborhoods. Join the kickoff of the Near Northwest Area Plan!

Virtual Kickoff
Watch meeting replay online

In-person Events
Look for us at events in your community this summer

Online Survey
Share your ideas in a short survey

NEAR NORTH WEST

CHAFFEE PARK
SUNNYSIDE
HIGHLAND
JEFFERSON PARK

DenverGov.org/nearnorthwestplan
720-865-3266

neighborhood PLANNING INITIATIVE

DENVER COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Scan me with your phone's camera

NEAR NORTHWEST AREA PLAN

Voice your Opinion on what you want your neighborhood to be!

The Near Northwest Planning Area is made up of the Northwest Denver neighborhoods east of Federal Boulevard: Chaffee Park, Sunnyside, Highland, and Jefferson Park. As part of the Neighborhood Planning Initiative (NPI), this project provides an opportunity to create a long-term vision for these neighborhoods that furthers citywide goals and priorities while addressing local neighborhood needs.

NPI representatives will be at the JPUN Tailgate event on Sept 26th to discuss NPI and answer your questions.

Share your thoughts and ideas about your neighborhood in kickoff survey

This kickoff survey will help the city's planning team learn more about the your ideas, concerns and priorities for the area's neighborhoods. Completing the survey will take only about 15 minutes.

Take it today and then share it with your neighbors!

SURVEY HERE

Missed the Kickoff Event? Watch the replay here.

Near Northwest Area Plan

Community Kickoff
July 27, 2021

NEAR NORTH WEST

Chaffee Park
Sunnyside
Highland
Jefferson Park

neighborhood PLANNING INITIATIVE

DENVER COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Link to the Plan Webpage

En Español

CIVIC CENTER
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CIVIC CENTER NEXT 100:
CIVIC CENTER PARK + BANNOCK STREET CONCEPT DESIGN

Bannock Street
Central Promenade
Greek Theater
Central Gathering Feature

Project Focus Areas

Final Public Workshop!

Thursday, September 23, 2021 / 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Register Here

Call in by phone: 720 928 9299

Meeting ID: 838 9886 4265

What do you imagine for the next 100 years of Civic Center?

Please join us for the Public Workshop #3 as we share the preferred concept designs for Bannock Street, Central Promenade and Greek Theater. We will also be sharing next steps for the Central Gathering Feature. Through two rounds of public input, we have received thousands of comments. We look forward to hearing your feedback!

Civic Center Next 100 takes the 2005 Civic Center Master Plan and brings it to life for the Denver of today and the generations to come.

Results from the second survey as well as comments, suggestions, and ideas gathered from public and stakeholder input during the Public Workshop #2 are available here.

THINGS YOU CAN WALK, BIKE, OR TAKE A HIKE TO

Gala on the Bridge

Fri, Sept 10
5:30–Midnight
19th St Pedestrian Bridge



Rkr Mtn Ripper Bazaar II

Fri–Sun, Sept 10–12
Noon–Midnight
S Broadway &
E Ellsworth Ave
tickets.holdmyticket.com/tickets/371196



Shakespeare in the Parking Lot

Sat, Sept 11
Shows at 1 & 3 pm
Riverfront Plaza
1610 Little Raven St
shakespeareintheparkinglot.com



Sunnyside Music Festival

Sat, Sept 11
11 am–7:30 pm
Chaffee Park
sunnysidemusicfest.org



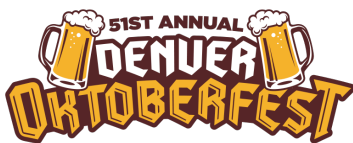
Great Mexican Beer Festival

Sat, Sept 11
3–9 pm
1695 S. Platt St
denverbeerco.com



Denver Oktoberfest

Fri, Sept 17 & 24
5–11 pm
Sat, Sept 18 & 25
11 am–11 pm
Sun, Sept 19 & 26
11 am–6 pm
Larimer & 21st St
thedenveroktoberfest.com



Jamming on the Jetty

Sat, Sept 18
2–7 pm
Sloan's Lake
www.jammingonthejetty.com



Westword Music Showcase

Sat, Sept 18
Noon–11 pm
40th & Wynkoop St
westwordshowcase.com



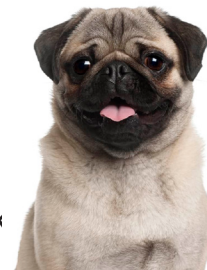
Denver Arts Festival

Sat–Sun, Sept 18–19
10 am–6 pm
Northfield Blvd & Valentia St
denverartsfestival.com



Pugs in the Park

Sun, Sept 19
10 am–3 pm
Central Park
copugrescue.org/pugs-in-the-park



RiNO ArtPark Grand Opening

Fri, Sept 24, 3–7pm
Sat, Sept 25, 10 am–9 pm
Sun, Sept 26 10 am–2 pm
rinoartdistrict.org/do/art-park-grand-opening



JPUN FREE Tailgate Party

Sun, Sept 26 11 am–2 pm
20th & Eliot Cul-de-sac
JPUN.org



"A Sticker" Parking Restrictions for All Bronco & CU Games!
Ticket and Towing for non-registered cars
<https://www.empowerfieldatmilehigh.com/events>