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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

Riverside Church Chapel
2401 Alcott St. Behind Church
Tuesday, October 13, 6:30–8 pm
All are welcome

COUNCILWOMAN SANDOVAL COMMUNITY OFFICE HOURS

Virtual – Friday, October 23,
11:00-1:00pm
Friday, October 30,
11:00am-1:00pm
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EMPOWER FIELD AT MILE HIGH

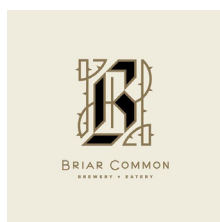
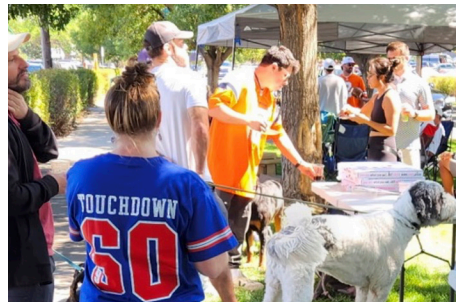


JPUN'S 9TH ANNUAL TAILGATE PARTY

The tailgate like the Broncos seems to get better every year. The event brought together neighbors—both two and four legged—for some great food, drink and 2 unforgettable flyovers.

Attendees enjoyed a full spread, from Sexy Pizza slices, refreshments and snacks from Safeway to beer courtesy of Briar Common Brewery + Eatery and Hogshead Brewery. As always, the community showed up with an impressive assortment of homemade dishes and desserts, fueling a full afternoon of tailgate games, conversation, and connection.

This one of a kind neighborhood tradition continues to highlight what makes Jefferson Park special—people showing up, pitching in, and celebrating the place we call home.



JPUN General Membership Meeting
Riverside Church | Tues. October 13 @ 6:30pm

ONE OF THE TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:
Proposed 242-Unit Apartment Complex
at 22nd and Federal

A 242 unit apartment complex is being proposed for the Family Star Montessori site at 2246 Federal Blvd, marking one of the most significant redevelopment moves Jefferson Park has seen in years. Developer Kennedy Wilson is seeking an upzoning—from the current 3 story limit to a 7 story massing on the north side, stepping down to 6 stories on the south.

DENVER NOW COMPOSTING PIZZA BOXES

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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.

BECOME INVOLVED

Joining the JPUN community is an excellent way to support the residents and businesses in your neighborhood. There is no cost for membership and all property owners, renters, businesses and business-owners within the boundaries of the Jefferson Park neighborhood are welcome to join.

Benefits of joining our community:

- meet your neighbors and better connect with your local businesses
- participate in neighborhood events
- opportunities to plan the future of the area including zoning changes and redevelopment
- engage with others to ensure safety and security within the neighborhood
- easily connect with city government and public safety officials

For more information, please, contact us or sign-up to [become a member](#).

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 Information.....720-913-2000

Police—District 1 Station Information only.....720-913-0400

Denver Public Library 720-865-1111

Regional Transportation District.....303-299-6000

CUT THIS OUT AND POST IT SOMEWHERE FOR QUICK REFERENCE!

DENVER WATER RESTRICTIONS

END TO LAWN WATERING SEASON OCTOBER 1st

Lawn watering and all spray irrigation must stop after Sept. 30, 2026, as part of an amendment to the Stage 1 drought declaration.

Trees, plants and gardens may be watered any day by hand if needed.

What's Still Allowed After Sept. 30

- **High traffic fields** — Parks and school athletic areas may irrigate only under a Denver Water approved water budget or variance.
- **Recycled water users** — May continue irrigating any day under standard recycled water rules.
- **Trees, shrubs & perennials** — Allowed any day using hand held hoses with shutoff nozzles or low volume drip irrigation. Spray irrigation is not permitted.
- **Annuals & vegetables** — May be watered any day with hand held or drip irrigation until first frost. No spray irrigation.
- **Grass establishment** — Not allowed after Sept. 30 except under an approved variance.
- **Irrigation system maintenance** — Systems may be operated for installation, repair, or testing if attended and not wasting water.

Looking Ahead to Spring 2027

The lawn watering ban will remain in effect into spring 2027. Sprinklers must stay off until the Board of Water Commissioners issues a future resolution outlining if—and when—lawn watering can resume.

YOUR BALLOT IS ON THE WAY: **Essential Tips for Colorado Voters This Election**

Registered voters will receive their ballots in the mail in the coming days, with all initial ballots being sent by Oct. 9.

Election Day is Nov. 3, and Colorado voters will weigh in on races for governor, Congress, and a slate of statewide ballot measures, along with numerous state and local contests.

Key things to know:

If you don't receive a ballot in the mail, you may need to update your voter information or register to vote in Colorado, which you can do on the [secretary of state's website](#). To register to vote, you'll need to provide ID such as your Colorado driver's license number, the last four digits of your Social Security number, or another valid form of identification.

Ballots will be mailed to voters who register up until Oct. 26 — which is also the recommended last day to return your ballot by mail to ensure it's counted.

Ballots that do not arrive at a clerk's office before 7 p.m. on Nov. 3 will not be counted, regardless of when the ballot was postmarked, with the exception of military and overseas voters. Those voters must put their ballots in the mail no later than 7 p.m. on Election Day.

If you register to vote and receive your ballot after Oct. 26, you can return the ballot at a 24-hour drop box or an in-person voting center through Election Day. Drop boxes will begin opening on Oct. 12, and voting centers will open on Oct. 19.

Late voting options:

Colorado also offers same-day registration and voting at voting centers before polls close on Election Day. Voters must either have returned their ballots or be in line to vote before 7 p.m. on Nov. 3.

Once you return it, you can track the status of your ballot using the state's online [BallotTrax system](#).

What's on the ballot?

All state executive offices are up for grabs this election because of term limits — governor, attorney general, secretary of state, and treasurer. Voters will also determine the balance of power in the state legislature, with elections for all 65 state House seats and 21 of the 35 state Senate seats.

Voters will see **14 statewide ballot measures** this year — 13 of which are citizen-led — that will ask questions on [taxes](#), criminal penalties, immigration enforcement, transgender rights, voting requirements, and enshrining the rights to natural gas and hunting and fishing in the state constitution.

The November election will also decide control of Congress. All eight of Colorado's U.S. House seats are being contested, as is one of its U.S. Senate seats.

Make Mile High Stadium into Mile High Park



Jeff Park Neighbor Starts Campaign for Future of Mile High Stadium

Jefferson Park neighbor Josh Rosenblum recently started a [petition](#) to turn Mile High Stadium and its surrounding parking lots into Mile High Park

The petition has received coverage on [Fox 31](#), [City Cast Denver](#), and [The Denver North Star](#).

Those interested in learning about why Rosenblum has created the initiative can find the petition and updates at [milehighpark.org](#).

In the North Star piece Rosenblum says "Families, kids, and neighbors should be able to play sports, walk, rest, and enjoy the outdoors in a place that means so much to Denver. A park here would honor those memories while giving the community something lasting and useful for the future."

What do you think should happen to the area the stadium occupies once the Broncos move?

2026 HOME SCHEDULE



ALL TIMES MOUNTAIN

REDUCE. REUSE. RECYCLE.

LeafDrop and Pumpkin Recycling

Denver's LeafDrop program allows residents to dispose of their fall leaves in an environmentally friendly way. Each fall, Denver's Office of the City Forester partners with Denver's Department of Transportation & Infrastructure (DOTI), Denver's Office of Climate Action, Sustainability and Resiliency (CASR) and Ace Hardware to provide paper leaf bags and designated drop-off sites for Denver residents.

Loose leaves and compostable leaf bags are also accepted in Denver's green compost carts.

Residents can download a coupon to receive a free five-pack of paper leaf bags at participating Ace Hardware stores. Leaves dropped off in plastic bags must be emptied on site.



Weekday Dropoff Locations



Weekend Dropoff Locations (Nov. 8-9 only)



Ace Hardware - Free Bags

2026 Drop Sites

WEEKDAY DROP SITES: Oct. 5 – Nov. 25

The following LeafDrop locations will be open on weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.:

- Cherry Creek Transfer Station* – 7301 E. Jewell Ave. (enter on E. Jewell Ave.)
- Denver Parks and Recreation – 3685 Havana St. (enter on Havana St.)
- Central Platte Campus – 1271 W. Bayaud Ave. (Enter through the gates at Bayaud and Navajo, go past the Denver Animal Shelter to dumpsters in front of Building 2 on the right)

*Hitched trailers (6ft in length or less) are only accepted at the Cherry Creek Transfer Station.

WEEKEND DROP SITES:

Nov. 7-8 / 14-15 / 21-22

The following LeafDrop locations will be open on Saturday, November 7, 14, 21 and Sunday, November 8, 15, 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.:

- Bruce Randolph High School – 3955 Steele St.
- Cherry Creek Transfer Station* – 7301 E. Jewell Ave. (enter on E. Jewell Ave.)
- JFK High School – 2855 S Lamar St.
- Sloan's Lake Northwest Parking Lot – W. Byron Pl. and Yates St.
- Veterans Park – S. Vine St. and E. Iowa Ave.
- Archuleta Elementary School – 16000 Maxwell Pl.

*Hitched trailers (6ft in length or less) and loose leaves are only accepted at the Cherry Creek Transfer Station.

Leaves brought to all other LeafDrop sites must be in paper bags.





The 11th Annual Tennyson Fall Fest will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. along Tennyson Street between West 39th and West 43rd avenues.

The free community event will include live music, food, local vendors and family activities.

Find event details and updates at tennysonfallfest.com

¡VAMOS BRONCOS! WATCH PARTY

PRESENTED BY
CAMPOS CAMPOS
POLYMERIZATION



**SUNDAY
OCTOBER 11**

Empower Field at Mile High

1:00 PM

The ¡Vamos Broncos! Watch Party is free, family-friendly, and open to all fans.

The event also features appearances from Broncos Alumni, Miles the Mascot & Denver Broncos Cheerleaders, photo opportunities with the Super Bowl trophies, giveaways, and more!

Sunday, October 11 | 1-5 PM MT
Empower Field at Mile High
Complimentary Parking: LOT J | GATE 4

*Fans under 18 do not require a ticket.

TICKETS

Some of your best relationships have four legs and zero chill.

The little things fade fast — the doorbell losing its mind, the 2pm sunbeam nap that ruins your whole afternoon plan.

But pets have a side hustle: making you talk to people. Your roommate. Your mom. That neighbor you've only ever waved at.

myFurever is a place to save the good stuff — and share it with everyone your pet has recruited into loving them too.

Scan to learn more!

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Premium Catering
For Your Event

Catering Available

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Taco Packages

Company Events

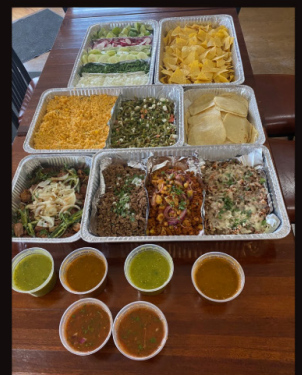
Holiday Party Reservations

Private Celebrations

We offer premium quality services for your event, and cater to all your needs.

Call us today to check out our selection of menus.

303-455-3866
2900 W 26th Ave
Denver Co



Riverside Church Fall Fest

Saturday, Oct. 17th
4-6pm | Parking Lot

Hayrides, Pumpkin Carving, Trunk or Treat, Carnival Games, Crafts, and Delicious Food



The Annual South Broadway Halloween Parade will take place from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. along Broadway, beginning near 5th Avenue and continuing south to Virginia Avenue

The family-friendly parade will feature floats, marching bands and costumes.

Broadway between 5th Avenue and Virginia Avenue, along with 1st Avenue between Lincoln Street and Broadway, will be closed from approximately noon to 10:00 p.m. Additional closures will be in place near Denver Health along 5th Avenue between Bannock Street and Broadway. Metered parking within the closure areas will also be unavailable.

Find event details and updates at southbroadwaydenver.org.



**3rd Annual
Mile High Trunk or Treat
Empower Field at Mile High
Thursday, October 29 | 5–8 PM | Lot C**

**Little Ghouls & Goblins Candy
Family Fun Activities
Live Entertainment
Music and Circus Acts
Costume Contests
for Kids, Families & Pets**

Want to get involved?

Email fareastcenterco@gmail.com

Hosting a Trunk

Decorate your vehicle and hand out candy while showing off your creativity.

Becoming a Vendor

Share your products, services, or mission with thousands of families.

Sponsoring the Event

Gain visibility while supporting one of Denver's largest community Halloween celebrations.

Performing or Entertaining

Magicians, face painters, circus acts, and entertainers—we'd love to feature you!

Reserve your FREE tickets [HERE](#)

For more updates [Link Here](#)





Premier League Mornings Live Saturday, Oct. 10 – Sunday, Oct. 11

Premier League Mornings Live will take place at Denver Union Station from 4:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday. The two-day fan festival will include live Premier League match broadcasts on large screens, fan activities and a live NBC Sports broadcast from the event.

Street closures and parking restrictions will be in place around Union Station throughout the week leading up to the event. Portions of Wynkoop Street between 16th and 18th streets and 17th Street between Wynkoop and Wazee streets will be closed, with some closures beginning Monday, Oct. 5 and continuing through Monday, Oct. 12. Metered parking will also be restricted on portions of Wynkoop, Wazee and 17th streets.

Find event details and updates at premierleague.com/en/events/morningslive.

Start composting today!

Composting makes fall yard clean up a breeze.

All Denver Solid Waste Management customers can request a compost cart now.

COMPOST
NO TRASH - NO BASURA

Go online to learn more and get started.
[Denvergov.org/Compost](https://denvergov.org/Compost)

DENVER
THE MILE HIGH CITY

FOOD-SOILED PAPER



DENVER MAKES COMPOSTING EASIER: Greasy Pizza Boxes Now Welcome

In addition to food scraps and yard debris, residents can now compost food-soiled paper. These items include greasy pizza boxes, used paper towels, napkins, coffee filters, paper tea bags, un-coated paper plates ([like this](#) [NOT this](#)), sugar and flour bags, wooden popsicle sticks, toothpicks, and wooden kebab skewers.

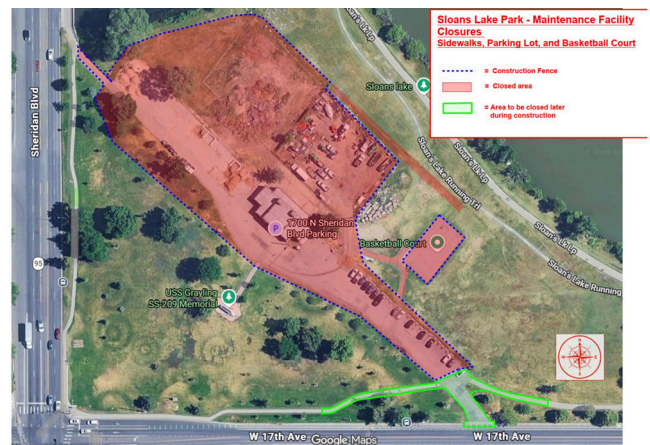
All material collected in Denver's curbside compost program is processed by WM into a nutrient-rich soil amendment that can be used on lawns, gardens, and fields. Finished compost helps with water and nutrient retention and makes for healthy soils.

For the full list of items accepted and not accepted in Denver's compost service and for more information, visit www.denvergov.org/compost

SLOAN'S LAKE PARKING & TRAIL CLOSURES

Denver Parks and Recreation has closed the Sloan's Lake parking lot and basketball court near Sheridan Blvd. and 17th Avenue for the renovation of the building near that intersection to a maintenance facility.

Later in construction a portion of the trail will also be closed. Closures are expected through early 2027. Please follow all signaled detours.





Yoga in the Park is back!

We're running it back for one more month. Meet me on the mat in Jefferson Park every Monday evening of October from 5:30-6:30pm for a yoga flow accessible to all levels!

I will be keeping a close eye on the weather each week, and will send out an email should we need to forgo class outdoors. If this happens, I will be offering a virtual class in its place at a lower cost!

SAVE YOUR SPOT



See you in the park!

—Kristen



FREE
FREAKY FRIDAY
Fright Night
FAMILY FRIENDLY
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**DOUBLE FEATURES
STARTING AT 7PM**

Little Man
ICE CREAM.

THE Pumpkin Patch IS BACK

Free Spooky Family Friendly Flicks
are Back at Little Man Lohi!

Every Friday in October
Free Popcorn & Halloween Fun

Join us in the back amphitheatre every
Friday in October beginning at 7PM with
a spooky short, followed by the evening's
headlining feature

From pumpkins and friendly ghosts to haunt-
ed houses, strange happenings, and a little
witchcraft, each Friday brings a different
theme and double feature:

October 2 | The Pumpkin Patch Is Back
It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown
+ Halloweentown

October 9 | The Ghostly Encounters Edition
Casper's Halloween Special + Ghostbusters

October 16 | The Strange & Unusual Edition
Frankenweenie + Beetlejuice

October 23 | The Haunted House Edition
Toy Story of Terror! + The Addams Family

October 30 | The Witching Hour Edition
Room on the Broom + Hocus Pocus

Bundle up, grab a scoop,
find your seat in the amphitheatre,
and settle in for a frightfully fun!

Movies start at 7PM
Little Man Ice Cream LoHi
Back Amphitheatre