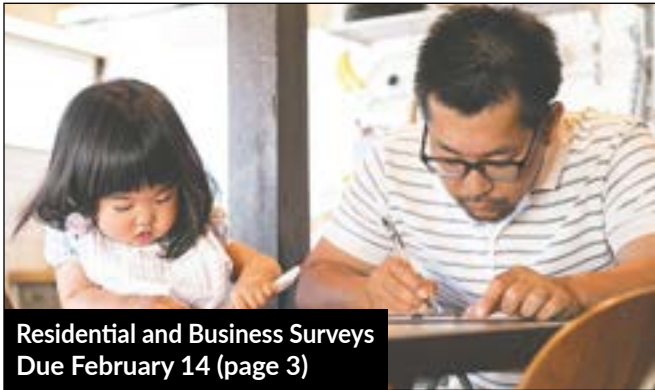


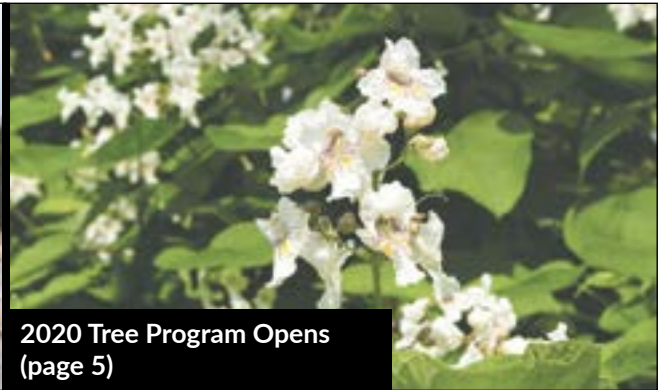
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## Snow and Ice Removal

The substantial snow and ice event that occurred over the 2019 Thanksgiving holiday is not common for the Front Range. The volume of snow and moisture content were high for this time of year and the temperature dropped substantially as the snow accumulated. The timing of the snowfall also contributed to challenges in this storm as traffic packing the snow through-out peak hours caused ongoing compaction. The trends that were seen in Littleton were similar across the Front Range.

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## Next Step for Envision Littleton: Downtown Code Updates

The Envision Littleton Comprehensive Plan was adopted October 15, 2019. The next step in planning for Littleton's future is the 18-month process to create a Unified Land Use Code (ULUC) and update the city's zoning. A 90-day moratorium on development applications for properties in Downtown Littleton will kick off this process. Inconsistencies between the Comprehensive Plan and the city's current code could lead to conflicts and interpretation challenges concerning downtown development. This temporary pause in accepting applications for auto-oriented and multi-family use in Downtown Littleton will allow staff time to review these conflicts and develop a plan to resolve them.

"We're talking about patching the old code for the short term and then playing out the 18-month process," said City Manager Mark Relph. "At the end of the 18 months, those changes will be incorporated into the new code. We're trying to deal with the immediate conflict with the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan and the code for downtown," Relph said.

Creating the ULUC will include five building blocks to discuss downtown, key corridors, mixed use, neighborhoods, and business/commercial areas. Each building block will include listening and learning through a series of community events. The city will maintain the dedicated website at [EnvisionLittleton.org](http://EnvisionLittleton.org) where more details can be found. The kick-off is scheduled for February 10-12.

## Council Members Elect Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem

The Littleton City Council selected District II Council Member Jerry Valdes to serve as mayor of the 2019-2021 city council. At Large Council Member Scott Melin was selected as mayor pro tem. The vote took place at the November 19 city council meeting and the terms are for two years. "I appreciate the confidence of the voters and the council," Valdes said. "I will dedicate as much time as necessary to make sure Littleton is represented and has a seat at the table."

The selection of the council leadership followed the swearing-in ceremony of the four council members elected by voters at the November 5 municipal election. Valdes won a four-year term in District II and Kelly Milliman won a four-year term in District IV. In the at-large race, Pam Grove was elected to a four-year term and Melin was elected to a two-year term. The swearing-in ceremony was conducted by Littleton Municipal Judge Ethan Feldman.

A reception was held at the meeting to recognize the contributions of departing council members Debbie Brinkman, Peggy Cole and Kyle Schlachter.



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Mayor



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## Preparing for the 2020 Census



The 2020 Census is coming to Littleton. The census is a count of every person who lives in the United States and its territories. It happens every 10 years and has a direct impact on the funding Littleton will receive for the next decade.

City staff has been hard at work preparing for the census to make sure Littleton completes an accurate count. During the fall of 2019, the City of Littleton began a partnership with surrounding cities and counties, working together to create material, trainings and events that will benefit all residents and businesses in the south metro area. Littleton also created a Complete Count Committee that includes representatives from Arapahoe County, Arapahoe Community College, Littleton Adventist Hospital, Littleton Police Citizens Academy Alumni Association, Littleton Immigrant Resource Center, Littleton Public Schools, Love In the Name of Christ, North Littleton Promise, South Metro Housing Options, South Suburban Parks and Recreation, and representatives from the 2020 Census. This group has been training to work together to provide information as well as events that allow citizens the opportunity to complete the census.

Population counts determine the annual allocation of more than \$800 billion in federal investment to states, counties and cities. This includes Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) that have been used to rebuild many sidewalks with ADA ramps in the northeast part of Littleton. CDBG funds allotted to Littleton have also been used to support Doctor's Care, providing medical treatment to uninsured residents. Census counts also help determine areas eligible for housing assistance and rehabilitation loans. Medicaid, Section 8 Housing Assistance, the National School Lunch Program and Medicare Part B are all programs whose funding levels are based on census counts. An accurate count equips Littleton for the future. Census Day is April 1. You count, be counted!

## 2020 Sewer and Storm Drainage Utility Invoices Mailed

The City of Littleton sent out the 2020 Sewer and Storm Drainage Utility invoices in late January. The invoice can be paid any time up to August 17 at 5 p.m.

ANNUAL SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL RATES		
Inside City Limits	Inside City Limits, within a Sanitation District	Outside City Limits
\$274.29	\$208.17	\$249.80

ANNUAL MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL RATES		
Inside City Limits	Inside City Limits, within a Sanitation District	Outside City Limits
\$233.12 per dwelling unit	\$176.93 per dwelling unit	\$212.31 per dwelling unit

COMMERCIAL USER RATES	
Inside City Rate	Outside City Rate
\$5.03 per 1,000 gallons (Minimum \$113.00)	\$2.74 per 1,000 gallons (Minimum \$135.58)

Storm drainage rates are applicable only to properties located inside the city limits. Single-family units are a flat \$47.73 per year and commercial and multiple-family properties are based on the acreage and impervious area of the property. See the city's website for more information about storm drainage rates.

The city accepts cash, check, credit card and Electronic Fund Transfers through a bank. Check the invoice for further details.

For questions or inquiries, call 303-795-3772.

## Snow and Ice Removal

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The effects of this storm created a bonding effect to the asphalt. The city hasn't had a storm with these conditions in about a decade.

One question that comes up in a storm scenario like this is "why can't the city break up the compacted ice with a snow plow?" Plows do not have the capability of breaking the bonds with the asphalt, generally a motor grader is needed, and the City of Littleton owns only one. More importantly this damages the underlying asphalt leading to tens of thousands of dollars of future repair compromising the long-term viability of the roadway surface.

In Colorado snow removal experts also rely on Mother Nature. The warmup is a key component of snow operations in the Front Range. This also is a core tenant in why cities generally do not plow residential streets unless volumes exceed six to eight inches.

In this storm, Public Works leadership decided not to tackle neighborhood street plowing on Thanksgiving Day as this is one of the days when on-street parking is at its highest across neighborhoods. Plowing these streets would have actually exacerbated the situation by plowing in thousands of vehicles, creating difficulty getting over large frozen snow ridges. The city makes this determination in each and every storm based on conditions, predicted temperature, and operational limitations.

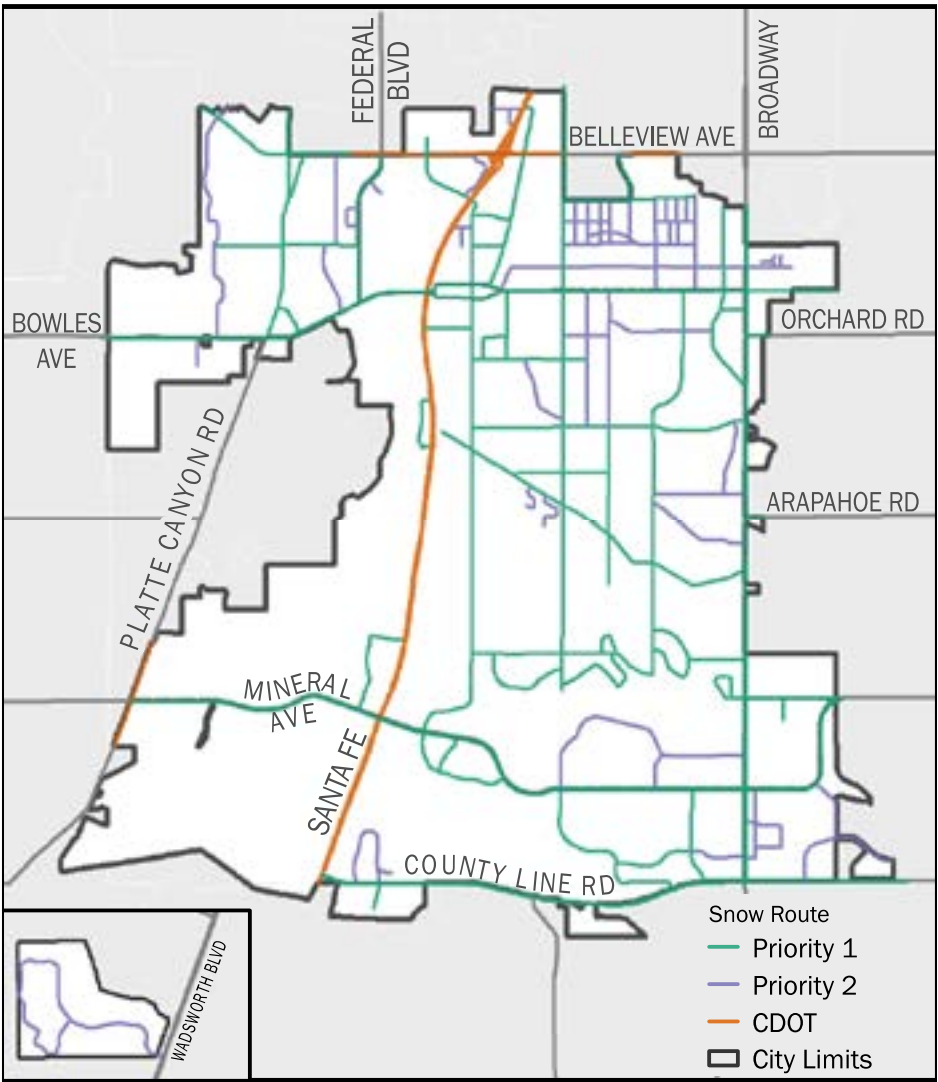
With every Littleton snow event, the Public Works Department develops a one page summary that outlines hours of operations, manpower and equipment utilization, materials employed, and notes of key operational issues. They compile these over the course of each snow season to create a final annual operational overview. The snow removal season does not directly align with budget years so the department tracks costs and operations across the winter.

The public works team collaborates with the Littleton Police Department (LPD) to begin operations. The department runs five to seven trucks in each event depending on weather conditions, manpower availability, and other factors. The team switches to 12 hour-shifts for team members and supervisors. The joint work with LPD is a partnership allowing as many eyes on the ground as possible to successfully judge conditions across the city. The city also utilizes grounds personnel to address city facilities, and some bridge and sidewalk areas.

The Trailmark neighborhood is far from the city's operational core so it is contracted to a third-party firm. This is the only area of the city where this occurs.

This storm cost \$35,000 which is not the most expensive storm of the year. An early storm had less accumulation but required more material due to ice conditions. Through the snow and ice season thus far Littleton has spent \$116,778.

### Snow Plow Routes and Priorities



## Littleton is the Best Commuter City

The City of Littleton claimed the top spot in a study reviewing the top 10 best cities for Denver commuters. A report by Commercial Café analyzed a number of attributes such as commute times, average home prices, crime rates and school ratings in cities ranging between five and 50 miles from Denver. Littleton was named #1, Englewood took 2nd place and Broomfield was named #3. To view the complete study visit [www.commercialcafe.com](http://www.commercialcafe.com).





## GraceFull Community Café Breakfast

GraceFull Community Café is located at 5610 South Curtice Street in Downtown Littleton. The mission of the Café is to provide a home in the Littleton community where people of all backgrounds can gather, eat well and be inspired to give back. In January, members of the Littleton City Council helped serve 295 free meals during a community breakfast. These free community breakfasts are held every month. To learn more about the breakfast and how to volunteer visit [www.gracefullcafe.com/volunteer](http://www.gracefullcafe.com/volunteer). Additionally, the café is open for breakfast and lunch every Tuesday through Saturday. It also offers regular coffee tours with a GraceFull Foundation Board Member.

## Littleton Surveys - Tell Us What You Think!

The city wants to hear from you! Three-thousand randomly-selected households have received the bi-annual 2020 Littleton Resident Survey. In addition, 1,000 businesses have been sent a link to respond to the online Business Survey. The deadline is February 14. The National Research Center, based in Boulder, administers the surveys and tabulates the results. Once all responses are in, a presentation will be made to city council tentatively scheduled for April 14 summarizing the surveys' findings. The survey was conducted first in 2012 and has been done every two years since. Comparisons to previous survey results will be made and a separate benchmark report will be provided, comparing responses with other cities in Colorado and throughout the country. Survey questions focus on specific services such as public safety, the Littleton Museum and Bemis Library, as well as quality of life, identification of pressing issues, and the importance of potential projects. Those who receive the survey are encouraged to complete it and mail it back in the postage paid envelope. Results from previous surveys led to more special events, increased marketing and promotion of the city, creation of the one-stop-shop Littleton Permit Center, and more funds directed to street improvements.

## Crime Prevention

Littleton is one of the safest communities in the metropolitan area and has lower crime than most comparably-sized cities. However, it is always wise to take precautions to help prevent a crime, no matter how safe the community is. Frequently, property crime is a crime of opportunity and there is no reason to make it easy for those criminals who are looking for the chance to victimize someone. One of the more common forms of property crime seen in Littleton is citizens having their cars broken into and sometimes stolen. The Littleton Police offer the following crime prevention tips:

- Do not leave anything of value in an unattended vehicle. This means wallets, purses, briefcases, or anything else that someone might be interested in stealing. Concealing valuables under a jacket or under the seat is not a good crime prevention technique. The bad guys know that if there is a jacket covering something on the front seat, there is probably something of value under there. The only sure fire way of preventing something from being stolen from a car is to take it out of the car. If that is impossible, secure property in the trunk or a locked glove box.
- One item that most people don't think about removing from their car is their garage door opener. A garage door opener could give someone access to the entire house. If a garage door opener is ever stolen, change the remote code as soon as the theft is discovered. The bad guys could be parked down the street, just waiting for the opportunity to use that opener to burglarize the home.
- Never leave the keys in the car. It is surprising how many victims of auto theft report that they left their keys under the floor mat or in the center console. This goes along with never leaving a car running, unattended, even just for a moment. It takes just a second for someone to jump in a running car and drive away.
- Remember, crime prevention is frequently just good, old-fashioned, common sense. Don't leave belongings where they are accessible or visible, always lock the car and home, be extra vigilant about keeping the garage door closed, and don't be hesitant to call the police if there is something in the neighborhood that seems suspicious or out of the ordinary.

## Mineral Avenue and Polo Ridge Drive Signal

The City of Littleton has been working to analyze and address concerns at the intersection of Mineral Avenue and Polo Ridge Drive. In the summer of 2019, crews removed a signal pole for the pedestrian signal on the south side of Mineral just east of Polo Ridge Drive due to significant corrosion. As a temporary solution, a rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB) system was installed to maintain an active crossing warning for pedestrians. Following that removal, Littleton hired a consultant to conduct a study of the conditions at the intersection to address several considerations, including the installation of a full traffic signal, the appropriate pedestrian crossing operations given the conditions of the area, and identify any safety concerns. Based on the findings, the city will not install a traffic signal, and will not replace the pedestrian crossing arm. Instead, the city will maintain the current RRFB system and move forward with several temporary operational modifications including radar speed feedback and additional signage to warn of pedestrians crossing in the area. The city is also working to identify the preferred crossing location in the area, ideally away from additional intersection vehicle conflicts with optimal sight distance, and a protective median refuge. The city will then design the crossing with the appropriate active indicators, including advance warnings, and secure funding for implementation. Littleton is also working with the Polo Reserve Home Owners Association to remove or relocate landscaping, walls, and fencing currently obscuring visibility along Mineral Avenue from Polo Ridge Drive.

## Littleton Public Schools in Top 10

Littleton Public Schools made high grades according to Niche.com 2020 rankings landing at #6 for Best School Districts in Colorado and #3 in the Denver area. Niche compiles and rates schools across the U.S. based on multiple factors including academics, culture and diversity, college readiness, resources and facilities, teachers and parent/student surveys. To learn more about the methodology and view the complete article visit [bit.ly/2MWbmoa](http://bit.ly/2MWbmoa).

## District III Meeting

Littleton City Council Member Carol Fey will hold her next District III citizen meeting at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, February 22, at the Wilmore Garden Center, 711 East County Line Road. District III is the southeast quadrant of Littleton, but everyone is welcome. In addition to citizen concerns, topics will include the city's long-term street paving plan, possibilities for city-coordinated residential waste pickup through individual contractors, plans to update zoning code and the city charter, and more good news about the High Line Canal and its trees. There will be coffee and goodies donated by Manna Bakery.

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## Littleton Immigrant Resources Center

The Littleton Immigrant Resources Center (LIRC) is seeking volunteers who are interested in helping immigrants be part of the Littleton and south metro community.

Language Partners are needed to work with people who want to improve their English. Textbooks, iPads, project ideas, and teaching strategies will be provided. The minimum commitment is one hour per week. Citizenship Mentors are also needed. Volunteers need one year of teaching or tutoring experience and must be able to work with students for three hours each week. For more information email [libeb@littletongov.org](mailto:libeb@littletongov.org).



## Littleton Post Office Placed on National Register

In November, the City of Littleton joined Historic Littleton Inc., the United States Postal Service, and the Historic Preservation Board to celebrate the Littleton Post Office's designation on the National Register of Historic Places and the Colorado State Register of Historic Properties.

The designation of the building to the National Register contributes significantly to the character of Downtown Littleton's historic district. This multi-year project began in 2016 with listing and finally was confirmed in April of 2019.

The event also celebrated 80 years in the downtown location and included the dedication of the National Register plaque on the building, as well as speakers and behind-the-scene tours of the postal operations.

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## Opening Outward exhibit at the Littleton Museum

The City of Littleton Fine Arts Board proudly presents the art exhibit, Opening Outward: Sculpture by Jeff Glode Wise. The exhibit runs from Friday, January 24 through Sunday, March 1, in the Fine Arts Exhibit Hall at the Littleton Museum.

Wise's sculpture is rooted in balance, with great respect for materials and their inherent textures. Bases of concrete and wood suggest earthbound elements, while forged bronze and gold plating suggest the fluid motion of the heavens. He interprets visual gestures found in nature and astronomy, from swirling galaxies and the rhythmic movement of birds and fish to the human figure and spirit. In short, he attempts to "elude the grasp of gravity, allowing rocks to float and metal to flow like water."

In Opening Outward, Wise gathered some of his works that best reflect his journey of imagination. With a range of interests, the selected works illustrate a pathway of exploration, experimentation, and discovery.

The Littleton Museum is open Tuesday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. The museum is closed on Mondays and major holidays.



## South Suburban Parks and Recreation District News

### SSPR Regular Election

Want to run for a seat on the board for South Suburban Park and Recreation District? Two directors will be elected to each serve a three-year term. Self-nomination and acceptance forms are due by February 28. The election on May 5 will be a polling place election with four polling locations throughout the district. Updates about the election can be found at [ssprd.org/board-election](http://ssprd.org/board-election). Questions can be directed to the Designated Election Official at 303-483-7011 or [elections@ssprd.org](mailto:elections@ssprd.org).

### Job Fair

South Suburban Parks and Recreation (SSPR) is hiring! The team is recruiting now for the busy summer season. Visit the Buck Recreation Center Tuesday, March 3 from 3-6 p.m., to meet with staff, ask questions and learn more about opportunities. SSPR needs to fill hundreds of jobs in parks, restaurants, aquatics and sports. To apply for positions online visit [careers.ssprd.org](http://careers.ssprd.org).



### Recreation Spring Sale, March 13-27

Start the new year right and enjoy all that the local recreation centers have to offer. SSPR is hosting a spring sale. Buy 20 admission punches and receive five free punches at all recreation centers. Or buy a ten pack of personal training and private palates reformer at the Buck Recreation Center and get one session free. Visit [ssprd.org](http://ssprd.org) for more information.

## TOWN HALL ARTS CENTER

### CONCERT SERIES

Opera Colorado  
Artist-in-Residence Showcase  
Sunday, February 23, 7:00 PM

Mary Louise Lee Band  
Sunday, March 1, 7:00 PM

Captain Quirk Tribute to the Beatles  
Sunday, April 5, 7:00 PM

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# BEYOND BOOKS... WHAT'S HAPPENING AT BEMIS LIBRARY?

Bemis Public Library | 6014 S. Datura Street | Littleton, CO 80120 | 303-795-3961 | Web Catalog: [bemis.marmot.org](http://bemis.marmot.org)

## Library Adds Film Streaming Service, Kanopy

Bemis patrons can get free access to thousands of movies with their library card from the popular on-demand film streaming service Kanopy. Bemis card holders can access Kanopy and sign up to start streaming films instantly by visiting [bemis.kanopy.com](http://bemis.kanopy.com). Films can be streamed from any computer, television, mobile device or platform by downloading the Kanopy app for iOS, Android, AppleTV, Chromecast or Roku.



## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

### Paws to Read

**February 8 and March 14, 10 a.m.-noon\***

Kids in grades K-5 are able to practice reading to a furry friend. Presented by Denver Pet Partners and the Delta Society.

### Faux Stained "Glass" Heart Craft

**February 8, 3-3:30 p.m.**



Create unique and colorful hearts to use as decoration or give to someone special for Valentine's Day. For kids of all ages.

### Parent/Child Birding Class

**February 29, 3-4 p.m.**

Learn how to get started in this fun and easy hobby. Taught by a naturalist from Carson Nature Center, participants will be able to put new skills to use anywhere an outdoor adventure takes them. For families with kids ages four and older.



### A Magical Read Across America Presentation by Inspector Magic—March 1, 3-3:45 p.m.

Join a magic show that tells the stories of Chris Gail's wonderfully illustrated book, *Dear Fish*. Learn how to make proper choices to protect clean water and other natural resources. For families with kids of all ages.

### Tech Fair 2020—March 7, 12:30-4 p.m.

Demo Spheros, Ozobots, Bloxels and more at the library's Tech It Out Technology Fair. Try creating a pixel video game, drive robots around the library and visit booths from local businesses such as Silicon STEM.

### McTeggart Irish Dancers—March 15, 3-3:45 p.m.

See members of the McTeggart Irish Dance Academy perform a variety of foot-tapping, high-energy routines accompanied by rousing traditional Irish music. A great way for families with kids of all ages to "kick" off St. Patrick's Day celebrations!

### Animal Olympics: A Visit from The Downtown Aquarium—March 24, 2-2:45 p.m.



Meet a variety of non-fish animal ambassadors from the Downtown Aquarium. Learn about their unique adaptations in this educational animal show. For families with kids three years and older.

### Movie Matinée—*Playmobil: The Movie*

**March 26, 3-4:30 p.m.\***

For families with kids ages three and older. Children under age eight must attend with an adult. Rated PG. Length: 99 minutes.

## TEEN PROGRAMS

### Fan Club: Marvel—February 6, 5-7 p.m.\*

From the comic books to the cinematic universe, join a celebration of all things Marvel. Enjoy themed snacks (Groot-beer floats, Infinity Stone cookies and Spider-Man berries) and activities based on favorite superheroes from The Avengers and beyond. Pizza and snacks will be served.



### Board Games @ Bemis

**February 13 and March 12, 5-8:30 p.m.**

Enjoy food, family, friends and fun with the big collection of board games or bring one from home to play. Families, adults and kids of all ages are welcome to drop in to play for a while or stay for the whole evening. Pizza and snacks will be served. Open to all ages.



### Zombie Prom—February 20, 5-7 p.m.

Party till you drop and enjoy games and snacks.

### Teen Advisory Group

**February 27 and March 26, 5-7 p.m.**

Enjoy snacks, video games and give feedback and suggestions to help make the library a better place. Snacks will be served.

## GENERAL PROGRAMS

### Love Songs with Nick & Nancy—February 1, 2 p.m.

Enjoy a romantic Valentine's-themed musical performance featuring pianist Nick Busheff and vocalist Nancy Stohman.

### Adult Winter Reading Program: *The Big Chill* January 6-February 29

Pick up a Big Chill Winter Reading bingo card at Bemis. Read, attend programs and enjoy the library's services for a chance to win prizes in the weekly prize drawings.

### Essential Oils—February 6, 2 p.m.

Discover the basics of how essential oils support health and learn how to build an essential oil kit. Presented by Kelly Andis, Nutritional Health Coach for Natural Grocers.

### Change Your Life by Tidying Your Home with the KonMari Method—February 8, 10-11:30 a.m.\*

Learn about the Marie Kondo system of simplifying and organizing a home from Kate Englebrecht, a certified KonMari consultant. Bring 5-7 items of clothing for a folding lesson.

### Your Encore Life: Some Assembly Required February 10, 2 p.m.

Longevity has provided a new life course option called encore life—a second harvest of creative potential in work, play, relationships and caring. Learn about tools necessary for building an encore life from Lynette Reiling, Volunteer Recruitment Manager for Boomers Leading Change and a Certified Professional Coach.

### Crafts for Grownups\*

Join in for a different featured craft on the third Saturday of every month. The library will provide materials and techniques. Just bring creativity.

- **February 15, 2-4 p.m. Lovely Letters\***  
Create an uplifting piece of hand-lettered art.
- **March 21, 2-4 p.m. Here Comes the Sun\***  
Make suncatchers and light throwers to bring sunshine into the springtime.

### Movie Matinée: *Judy*

**February 22, 2-4 p.m.**

Take a look behind the scenes of Judy Garland's tumultuous life. Starring Renée Zellweger. PG-13.



### The Civil Rights Act with Active Minds

**February 24, 2 p.m.**

Join Active Minds to examine the Civil Rights Act of 1964, a landmark piece of federal legislation that outlawed major forms of discrimination against minorities and women.

### Black History Live: Rosa Parks

**February 28, 2 p.m.**

National humanities and Chautauqua scholar Becky Stone will portray Rosa Parks. See how one woman who refused to give up her seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama in 1955 started one of the most significant movements in American history, the Civil Rights Movement.

### A Day in the Life of a Victorian Woman

**March 3, 7 p.m.**

Step back in time to the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century for an intimate glimpse of women's lives—from marriage to the home and garments of the day like the ever popular corset.

### Tech it Out! Technology Fair

**March 7, 12:30-4 p.m.**

Demo Spheros, Ozobots, Bloxels and more at the Tech It Out Technology Fair.

The library will show-case its coolest technologies on the lower level in the Art Gallery. Try creating a pixel video game, learn how to digitize older media, drive robots and visit booths from local businesses such as Silicon STEM.



### SPARK! Arts—March 11, 2-3:30 p.m.\*

A program offered by the Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art for people experiencing mild memory loss, early stage Alzheimer's or a related dementia; and their family, friends, and guests.

### Jeannette Rankin: America's Conscience

**March 13, 2 p.m.**

This first-person program will take the audience back to 1920 when the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment giving women the right to vote had just been added to the Constitution. Jeannette Rankin, portrayed by Mary Jane Bradbury, will share her journey from grass roots suffragist to becoming the first woman elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. Bradbury is a Chautauqua speaker for Humanities Montana and the Colorado Humanities.

### Concert: Close N' Counter—March 14, 2 p.m.

Enjoy local guitar duo Gordon Close and Richard Blanchard.

### Women of Denver History with Active Minds

**March 16, 2 p.m.**

Join Active Minds to discuss the women of Denver and their contributions to the city and the state.

### Movie Matinée: *Harriet*

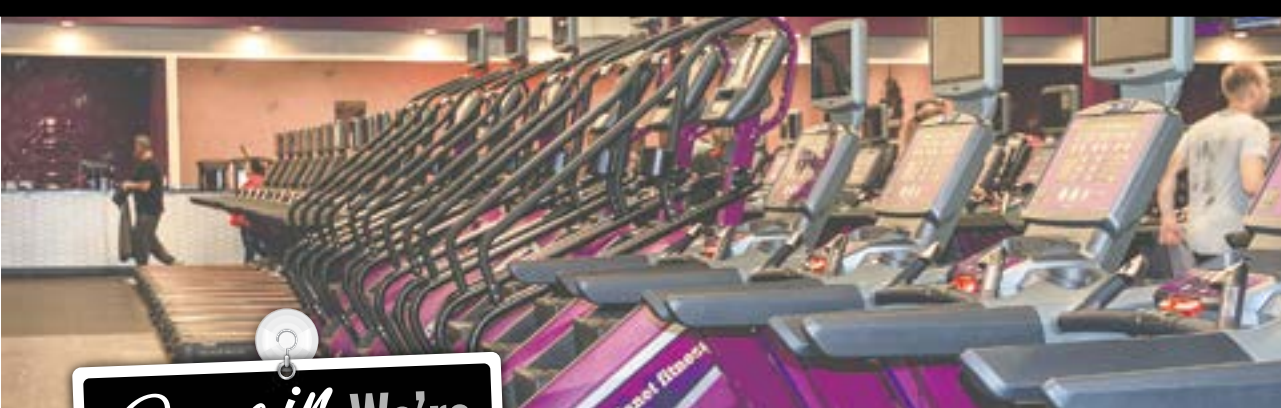
**March 28, 2-4 p.m.**

The extraordinary tale of Harriet Tubman, American abolitionist and political activist. PG-13.



*\*Registration required. To register, call the library at 303-795-3961.*





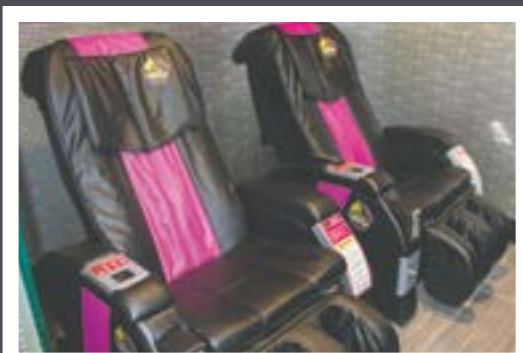
# COMMUNITY BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

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## Planet Fitness in Littleton

A brand new Planet Fitness just opened up in Littleton, located at 2831 West Belleview Avenue. Dust off those workout clothes or continue a current fitness routine at this new Littleton facility in the Belleview Connection shopping center. The new gym is locally owned and operated. It is open and staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week with free fitness training for all members. The space includes 22,000 square-feet and multiple training equipment options, from countless cardio machines, a private stretch area, a timed circuit workout zone and a weight area. This gym allows for athletes of all abilities, from the first-time user to a fitness fanatic, it is easy to find a home in their Judgement Free Zone™. Planet Fitness offers two types of membership. The basic membership allows use of all the fitness equipment. The black card membership allows use of all fitness equipment, plus access to the spa, tanning, red light therapy and hydro massage. Stop by to learn more or visit Planetfitness.com.



## Shop Local

When money is spent outside of the City of Littleton it is helping to improve roads and pay for services in another communities. Sales taxes paid in another city remain there. Retail leakage analysis estimates the City of Littleton loses over \$3 million a year in sales tax because of residents' purchases made outside the city limits.

Shopping locally creates jobs, funds more city services through sales tax, invests in neighborhood improvement, and promotes community development. Dollars spent in locally-owned businesses have three times the impact on the community as dollars spent at national chains and include direct and indirect positive impacts.

- Direct impact is spending done by a business in the local economy to operate the business, including inventory, utilities, equipment and pay to employees.
- Indirect impact happens as dollars the local business spends with other area businesses re-circulate in the community.

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Contact the Littleton Economic Development Department for more information on free services and resources for business owners at [economicdev@littletongov.org](mailto:economicdev@littletongov.org) or call 303-795-3749.



## Social Bar & Lounge

Social Bar & Lounge is located at 3625 West Bowles Avenue with a mission to provide quality beverages and food in an upscale suburban cocktail lounge setting serviced by a team of hospitality professionals who enjoy taking care of people.

With over 30 years experience in restaurant operations and management, Steve Cominsky brings an entrepreneurial spirit and a track record for driving exceptional business development and growth in a high-volume, fast-paced environment.

Cominsky's very first job in the restaurant industry was doing dishes. Between that summer long ago and today Steve has played nearly every role possible within the restaurant, bar and entertainment center space.

Social Bar & Lounge is a gathering place for suburban adults looking for a place to relax from a long day, connect with an old friend or meet new ones. Stop by or visit [socialbarlounge.com](http://socialbarlounge.com).



## The Local Deck

The Local Deck is so much more than a box of coasters, it is an incredible value that offers discounts to many of Littleton's restaurants and shops. Littleton native Laura Driscoll started The Local Deck five years ago out of a desire to showcase the best spots in the city. Inside The Local Deck gift box are coasters, each with a fun special offer to one of the Littleton area's best local restaurants, bars, entertainment spots, boutiques and gift shops. Boxes retail for only \$25 with more than \$400 in value and are valid for all of 2020. This fun gift allows a unique way to experience Littleton, while trying new places. Visit [TheLocalDeck.com](http://TheLocalDeck.com) to order a box and see what is inside this Littleton edition.

