

# CENTENNIAL CONNECTION

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Happy  
New Year!

From all of us at the City of Centennial, we hope you have enjoyed a wonderful holiday season and wish you a happy, healthy and prosperous 2026!



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## THE CITY OF CENTENNIAL EXPRESSES GRATITUDE TO OUTGOING MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS



Mayor Stephanie Piko

The City of Centennial extends its appreciation to four outgoing Council Members and Mayor Stephanie Piko for their dedicated service, leadership and commitment to our community. As their terms end, we recognize the meaningful impact each has made in shaping Centennial's growth, strengthening our neighborhoods, and enhancing the quality of life for all who call Centennial home.

Throughout their years of service, Council Members Marlo Alston, Robyn Carnes, Tammy Maurer, and Mike Sutherland have contributed to key community priorities—from investing in public safety and transportation, to supporting local businesses, to advancing long-term planning and community engagement efforts. Their collaborative spirit and thoughtful leadership have helped guide Centennial through important initiatives and milestones.

We also extend special thanks to Mayor Piko whose steady leadership, thoughtful decision-making, and passion for public service have left a lasting legacy. Under the Mayor's direction, the City continued to focus on innovation, being future-ready, and strengthening partnerships with regional organizations. From a committee member, City Council to Mayor, the City appreciates Stephanie's service over the last 18 years.

We are grateful for the time, expertise and care each outgoing elected official has invested in Centennial. Their work has helped build a stronger, more connected community, and their contributions will continue to benefit our residents for years to come.

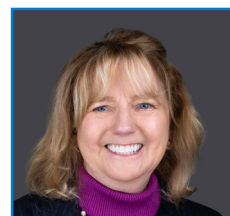
Please join us in thanking them for their service and wishing them the very best in their future endeavors.



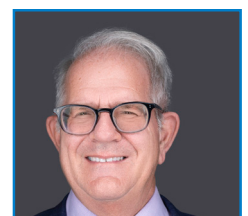
Marlo Alston



Robyn Carnes



Tammy Maurer



Mike Sutherland

## NEW MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS TO BE SWORN IN THIS JANUARY

In January, four new Council Members and the City's next Mayor will be sworn into office. Congratulations to all incoming elected officials!

Christine Sweetland will be sworn in as the fourth Mayor of Centennial. Once sworn in, she will vacate her current seat as the District 2 Council Member. City Council will then discuss options for filling the vacancy.

In District 1, Cindy Sandhu will assume the seat of Council Member Robyn Carnes.

Ashish Vaidya will step into the seat of Council Member Tammy Maurer in District 2.

In District 3, Ryan Dwiggin will be sworn in to succeed Council Member Mike Sutherland.

And in District 4, Durrell Middleton will assume the seat currently held by Council Member Marlo Alston.

## 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET

The Centennial 2025-2026 Adopted Budget was approved by City Council on November 10, 2025.

Listen to the City Council Session at [centennialco.gov/listentomeetings](https://centennialco.gov/listentomeetings).



## 25 Years of Vision and Leadership!

From our founding in 2000 to today, Centennial's success has been guided by dedicated leadership and a shared commitment to community.

At our 25th Anniversary kickoff in September, past and present elected officials came together to celebrate how far we've come—and to look ahead to what's next.

This celebration marked more than an anniversary. It highlighted decades of collaboration, innovation, and civic pride that continue to shape Centennial and strengthen the community we call home.

Follow our 25-year celebration at [centennialco.gov/25years](https://centennialco.gov/25years).



## CENTENNIAL RESEARCH ROADSHOW

The *Live Well, Age Strong Research Roadshow* is coming to Centennial!

**Friday, February 20**

**10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

**Centennial YMCA Center of Generations**

Located in The Streets at SouthGlenn at 6972 S. Vine St.

The City of Centennial and the Denver Metro YMCA are partnering with the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus Multidisciplinary Center on Aging and CU Cancer Center to bring the *Live Well, Age Strong Research Roadshow*. Mark your calendars and register today!



Multidisciplinary  
Center on Aging





# Centennial 101

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2025 GRADUATES OF CENTENNIAL 101!

This year's six-week Centennial 101 course offered residents an inside look at how Centennial's local government operates and what makes our lean business model unique. Participants explored a range of topics – from Economic Development and Planning to Public Works through interactive discussions and hands-on activities.



Highlights included discussions with the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office and South Metro Fire Rescue, as well as a lively mock City Council meeting that offered insights into the Council process.

Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make this year's program such a success.

Learn more and get ready to join the 2026 class at [centennialco.gov/centennial101](http://centennialco.gov/centennial101).



## Sign Up for Emergency Notification Alerts

Arapahoe County 911 Authority has upgraded ArapAlert, the County's official emergency notification system that keeps residents informed during wildfires, evacuations, shelter-in-place orders and other critical events.

Please note that if you were signed up for alerts through the County's previous alert system, you will need to complete a new registration to to receive future notifications. Alerts can come via text or email.

Re-register or sign up at [ace911.org/arap-alert](http://ace911.org/arap-alert).

## Issue with your Streetlight? Call Us!

Centennial is responsible for maintaining streetlights within City boundaries that were previously owned by Xcel Energy. Most of these streetlights are located on the west side of Parker Road.

To report a streetlight issue, you may report it through [centennialco.gov/reportaproblem](http://centennialco.gov/reportaproblem), use the **MyCentennial app** or call the 24/7 Citizen Response Center at **303.325.8000**.



## COMMUNITY RESOURCE HUB

Centennial's **Community Resource Hub** is here! This is your guide for discovering local community and civic organizations, events and more!

The new **Community Calendar** highlights both community-led and City-sponsored events, making it easy to find and follow what matters to you.

Stay informed and connected with what's happening throughout Centennial, all in one convenient place!





# Community Improvement Grants Support Neighborhood Beautification Projects



Centennial proudly offers Large Community Improvement Grants (CIG) to support our neighborhoods.

The next application window opens this spring – so if you have a vision for improving your community, now is the perfect time to start planning!

**Informational Sessions:**  
**Tuesday, February 10, 7 p.m.**  
**Thursday, February 12, 7 p.m.**

**Centennial Community Room  
at 7272 S. Eagle St**

Through the CIG program, residents can apply for up to \$10,000 per project to fund initiatives that beautify neighborhoods, strengthen community identity, and foster connection.

In 2025, the City received 24 applications and awarded 11 grants, supporting projects including landscaping, neighborhood signage and community gardens. Your idea could be next!

Learn more at [centennialco.gov/communitygrants](https://centennialco.gov/communitygrants).



*Rembrandt Place used their grant to improve of their common spaces. Residents gathered in celebration of their for their Large Community Grant project completion.*



*A new picnic area near the clubhouse is a welcomed addition for residents in Chaparral, thanks to their Large Community Grant.*

## GET INVOLVED!

Want to make a real impact in Centennial? Applications are open for Centennial's **Boards**, **Commissions**, and **Committees**, including Planning & Zoning, Open Space Advisory and more.

Residents only—join us in shaping our community! Learn more and apply today at [centennialco.gov/boardsandcommissions](https://centennialco.gov/boardsandcommissions).



Support **CENTENNIAL**  
**CHARITIES AND NONPROFITS THIS** Winter

Centennial Cares is a program created to help make a difference in the lives of our neighbors by giving back in our community!



There are countless ways you can make the winter a little warmer for friends in Centennial.

For a list of nonprofit organizations who could use your help, along with other ways you can support our community, visit [centennialco.gov/centennialcares](https://centennialco.gov/centennialcares).





# PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES: **HARD HATS & GREEN LIGHTS**

## County Line Road Widening

Construction is officially underway on the County Line Road Widening and Reconstruction Project, a \$30 million regional effort led by Douglas County in partnership with the City of Centennial, City of Littleton, and other agencies. The project will deliver several upgrades between University Blvd. and Broadway – including a new traffic signal at Clarkson St., sidewalk additions for improved pedestrian safety, and other improvements to enhance traffic flow and safety.

Construction began in September 2025 and will continue through September 2027. **A 100-day road closure is planned for this winter, beginning in January.**

Sign up for Douglas County's Cone Zone alerts at [bit.ly/DougCoConeZone](https://bit.ly/DougCoConeZone).

Learn more about the project at [bit.ly/CountyLineProject](https://bit.ly/CountyLineProject).



*County Line Rd. Widening Project Groundbreaking Ceremony, Sept 2025*



*Arapahoe and Clarkson Traffic Signal Activation, Sept 2025*

## Arapahoe & Clarkson Signal

The new traffic signal at Arapahoe Rd. and Clarkson St. is fully operational, providing a safer, more accessible intersection for drivers, pedestrians and cyclists. As part of this project new pedestrian signals were installed along with enhanced lighting, updated pavement markings and high visibility striped crosswalks.

The project was funded through the Safer Main Streets Initiative, a partnership between the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) and the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG). The initiative prioritizes safety improvements for vulnerable roadway users — including pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders, older adults, and individuals with disabilities.



**Bonus:** The new signal also connects existing bike lanes on Clarkson St. to the High Line Canal Trail and the C-470 Trail, creating a more seamless route for cyclists across the City.

## CITY SNOW REMOVAL PLAN

Winter is upon us! If you'd like to learn about the City's snow removal policy or how Centennial Public Works manage snow and ice during storms visit our Snow and Ice Control webpage for details on the services that help keep travel moving.



# Driving with Understanding: The Blue Envelope Program



The Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office has introduced the Blue Envelope Program, an initiative designed to foster safe, respectful and positive interactions between first responders and community members who may face communication challenges related to a condition or disability.

## Here's how it works:

Participants can choose to carry a blue envelope – holding items such as a driver's license, registration and insurance – or opt for other indicators including bracelets, key chains, lanyards or bumper stickers featuring the program logo.

When a driver is stopped, the Blue Envelope serves as a signal to officers that the individual may benefit from extra patience, clear communication or reduced sensory triggers.

The goal: to create safer, calmer and more positive interactions for everyone on the road.

This program is about community, compassion and connection. Learn more on Arapahoe County's website at [arapahoeco.gov/blue\\_envelope](https://arapahoeco.gov/blue_envelope).



## Park It Like You Mean It

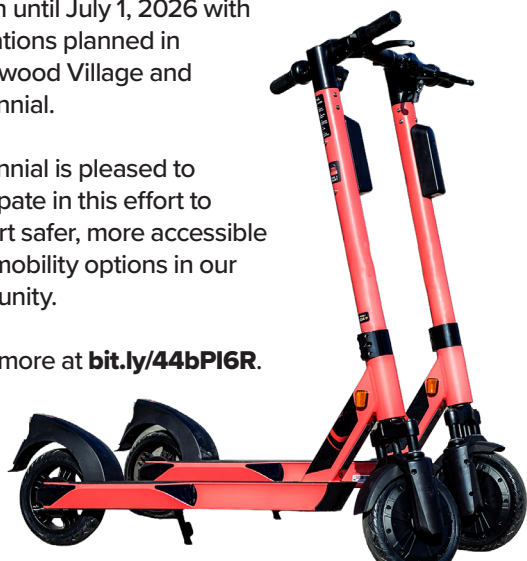
Centennial is partnering with Denver South, Spin, and the City of Greenwood Village, on a new pilot program testing Sparkpark, a Norwegian micromobility technology company making its North American debut.

The pilot introduces “virtual docking stations” that make it easier — and tidier — to park Spin e-bikes and scooters. Using all solar-powered devices, the system guides riders to designated parking zones, improving accuracy, and helping keep sidewalks safe and clutter-free.

This pilot program launched in October and will run until July 1, 2026 with ten stations planned in Greenwood Village and Centennial.

Centennial is pleased to participate in this effort to support safer, more accessible micromobility options in our community.

Learn more at [bit.ly/44bPI6R](https://bit.ly/44bPI6R).



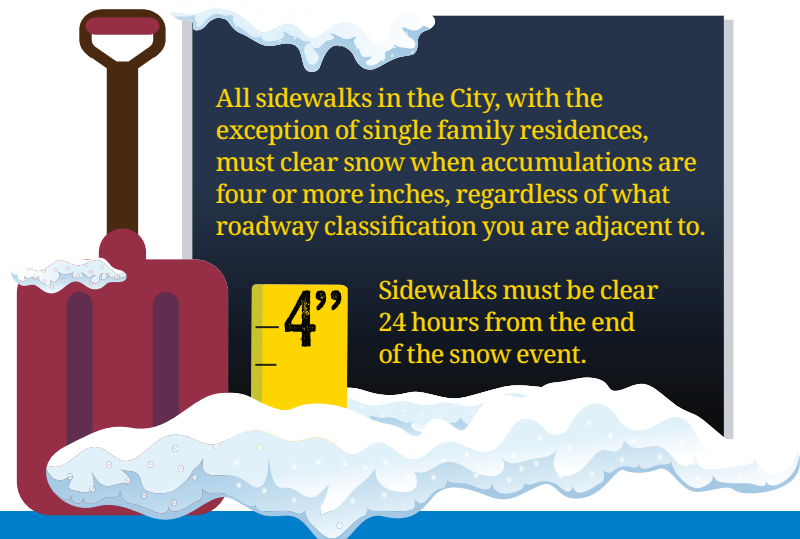
## City Support for the Unhoused

The City of Centennial collaborates with local organizations to address homelessness in our community. This includes the work of Centennial's Homeless Outreach Coordinator, who provides direct support to individuals and families experiencing homelessness or facing imminent risk.

The Coordinator plays a key role in strengthening partnerships with local agencies and nonprofits, while proactively leading outreach and rehousing efforts.

The goal is to ensure that those who are unsheltered – or at risk of becoming unhoused—receive the support, resources, and opportunities they need.

Visit [centennialco.gov/homelessness](https://centennialco.gov/homelessness) to learn more.





# SPARK

## Centennial

The SPARK Centennial 2025 program brought together local entrepreneurs and business leaders for hands-on workshops and meaningful conversations — thank you to everyone who joined us! Your ideas and experiences helped shape resources designed to support your growth and success right here in Centennial.

Now, the City's Economic Development team is gearing up for SPARK 2026, and we want your input. Whether you're a business owner, entrepreneur, or community partner, your feedback can help shape programming that accelerates innovation and opportunity in Centennial.

Help us design the next chapter of SPARK by completing our survey!



## SEE THE CENTENNIAL SNOW FORCE IN ACTION



Last winter, Centennial invited local youth to help name the City's snowplows — and the results are as creative as they are fun!

From Blizzard Wizard to Powda Pusha, these newly named plows are now part of the Centennial Snow Force, working hard to keep our streets clear and safe all winter long.

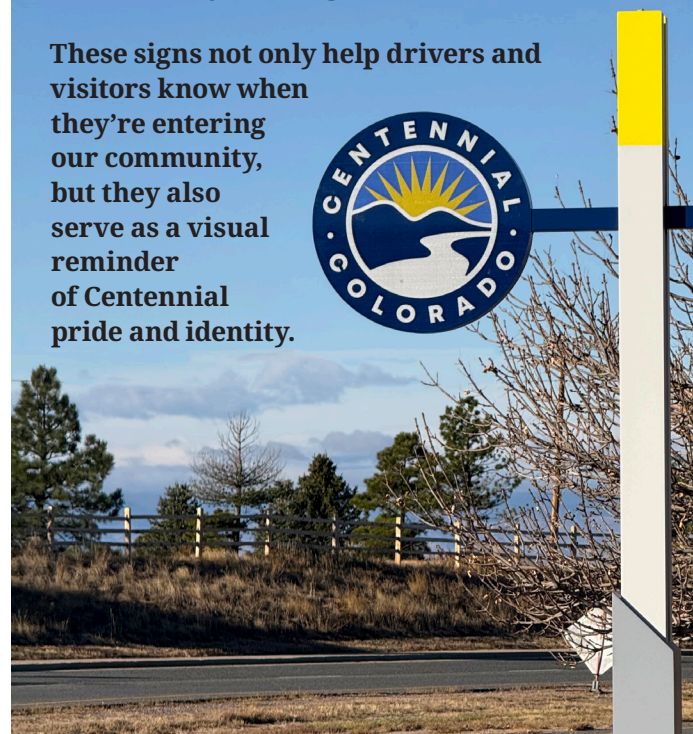
Keep an eye out — you might just spot your favorite name rolling by during the next snowfall!

Snow Force Tracking: [centennialco.gov/snowplows](https://centennialco.gov/snowplows).

## CITY LIMIT SIGNS

Centennial now proudly marks its borders, from Broadway on the west to Liverpool Street on the east, with newly installed city limit signs.

These signs not only help drivers and visitors know when they're entering our community, but they also serve as a visual reminder of Centennial pride and identity.





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## THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT!

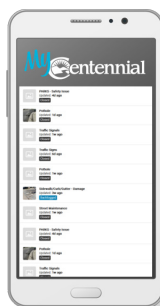


The **My Centennial** mobile app gives residents a convenient way to report issues and request services from the City of Centennial.

With just a few taps, you can report potholes, traffic signal problems, graffiti, and more—right from your phone. Snap a photo, and if GPS is enabled, the app will automatically detect your location.

### You can:

- Create an account to track your request and receive updates from the City's Citizen Response Center, or submit anonymously if you prefer.
- Download the **My Centennial** app for free from the App Store or Google Play.
- Requests are acknowledged within 1–2 business days (excluding weekends and holidays). Only the person who submitted the request can view the City's response.



### Additional features:

- View and manage your requests anytime
- See requests submitted nearby
- Comment on open requests and reply to comments on your own

Access the app download link at [centennialco.gov/mycentennial](http://centennialco.gov/mycentennial). For assistance, please call the 24/7 Citizen Response Center at 303-325-8000.

Want to stay

*In the Know?*

Sign up for the City's e-newsletters—delivered straight to your inbox!

From your local district news, events, street maintenance to the business community, there are several options for up-to-date news to be sent your way.



**DON'T MISS OUT AND SIGN UP TODAY!**

**Thank you for joining  
us at this year's**

*Signature* **EVENTS**

We're already at work  
planning amazing events  
for 2026! Hope to see you!  
[centennialco.gov/events](http://centennialco.gov/events)