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# Colorado Relocation

# Denver

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#### OVER 350 HOMES SOLD

## TOP KW BROKER IN AMERICA

ETHICS PROFESSIONALISM COMPASSION

## OUR MISSION AND VISION

Our mission and vision as business professionals is to provide an experience that is not only fulfilling for our clients but one that focuses on the importance and idea that "everyone deserves a place to call home".

In addition, we will provide exemplary guidance for our business partners to achieve their financial goals, whether that means creating opportunities, finding opportunities, or creating financial freedom through real estate.

We will achieve this by putting ethics, professionalism, integrity and compassion behind every phone call, every email, every text, every smile. Our goal is to strive for excellence and achieve greatness.

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# DENVER

Denver is known as the Mile High City. It is the capital of Colorado dating back to the Old West era. The city's oldest block, Larimer Square, contains landmark 19th-Century buildings. Some existing museums include the Denver Art Museum and the mansion of the infamous Titanic survivor Molly Brown. Denver is also a jumping-off point for ski resorts in the Rocky Mountains.

# Metro Population: 2.9 Million

Denver Sheriff's Department: <u>https://www.denvergov.org/Government/Departments/Sheriff-Department</u> Denver Government: <u>https://denvergov.org/Home</u> Denver Chamber: <u>https://denverchamber.org/</u>

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## DOWNTOWN https://www.denver.org/ Denver





Denver is named #2 for best places to live according to the US News & World Report 2020-21. It was also named #10 in best places to move/start a business in Colorado in 2019 by WalletHub. Furthermore, Denver was named the 6th fastest-growing metro area in the US based on population and economic growth by Forbes in 2014. The key industries of Denver, Colorado are aerospace, broadcast and telecommunications, healthcare, energy, and IT-software. Some new developments, restaurants, businesses, apartments, etc., are coming to Denver in 2021. These include the Golden Mill, an immersive visually appealing restaurant with 360-degree views of the mountains and a backyard, The Original, a reimagined American diner with variety of mouth-watering dishes, and Del Mar, a pescatarian and vegan restaurant. Other new developments include the Vib by Best Western Hotel & Resorts, and a newer apartment building, the Current River North.

## Denver The Mile High City



# MILE HIGH Steps

AT COLORADO STATE CAPITOL

Denver, Colorado is named the Mile High City because it sits at an elevation of 5,280 feet above sea level, which is one mile. There are numerous hints at and official markers for Denver's nickname either paying homage to the name or marking the exact mile elevation. The most popular one is the Mile High Steps at the Colorado State Capitol. The 15th step was engraved in 1909, but a study done much later in 1969 determined that the 18th step was a more accurate marker for the mile high step.

## Denver NATURAL WONDERS

#### Named #1 Venue in America by Pollstar in 2018.



Naturally created millions of years ago, the Red Rocks are both a natural beauty and an amphitheater offering phenomenal events and concerts and also features the Colorado Music Hall of Fame.

**RED ROCKS** 

https://www.redrocksonline.com/

#### **#7 in Top 7 Most Amazing Hidden Gems in Colorado 2014.**

## ST. MARY'S GLACIER

This frozen wonder is one of the 14 glaciers of Colorado located an hour west of Denver in the Arapaho National Forest. Its elevation is about 10,820 feet.



tps://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/colorado/st-mary-s-glacier

#### The Mt. Evans Scenic Byway is the highest paved road in America.



https://www.colorado.com/byways/mount-evans

## MOUNT EVANS

This 14,265 foot mountain is home to a plethora of animals like mountain goats and bighorn sheep. Mount Evans features breathtaking views and beautiful alpine lakes.

# **Denver** EDUCATION

Denver offers public, private, online schooling, and much more for all grades as well as higher educational opportunities for all.

https://www.du.edu/



## **UNIVERSITY OF DENVER**

Founded in 1864, the University of Denver is a private research university which is also the oldest independent private university in the Rocky Mountain Region with 11,952 currently enrolled students.

## **UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER**

Located at the heart of downtown Denver, the University of Denver is a public research university included in the University of Colorado system with 15,818 students enrolled today.



https://www.ccd.edu/



## **COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF DENVER**

One of 13 colleges in the Colorado Community College System, the Community College of Denver focuses on providing more affordable and accessible education for all with a total enrollment of 7,887 students now.

These are great resource for information on all education available in Colorado Springs as well as the state of Colorado and across the country.

https://www.dpsk12.org/ https://dps.schoolmint.net/school-finder/home

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## Denver SPORTS

### **The Denver Broncos**

The Denver Broncos is a popular professional football team based in Denver. They compete in the National Football League as a part of the American Football Conference West division.



https://www.denverbroncos.com

### **The Denver Nuggets**



https://www.nba.com/nuggets/2020-21-skyline-night.

The Denver Nuggets are an American professional basketball team that competes in the National Basketball Association as a member of the Western Conference Northwest Division.

## Denver ACTIVITIES

https://denverzoo.org/



## **DENVER ZOO**

Established in 1896, the Denver Zoo is an 80-acre zoo located in City Park of Denver. It offers tons of fun with animals and activities for all.

https://www.botanicgardens.org/

## **DENVER BOTANIC GARDENS**

The Denver Botanic Gardens is a 23-acre public garden located in the Cheesman Park neighborhood in Denver. It consists of a conservatory, numerous themed gardens, and a sunken amphitheater which hosts many concerts in the summer.



https://www.aquariumrestaurants.com/downtownaquariumdenver/



## **DOWNTOWN AQUARIUM**

The Downtown Aquarium is a state-of-the-art aquarium containing over 500 species of creatures, a restaurant, and a lounge. Plus tons of fun opportunities for the whole family.



## Denver PARKS & TRAILS

https://www.alltrails.com/trail/ us/colorado/central-park-denver

### CENTRAL PARK DENVER

Central Park Denver is a 2.4 mile loop trail good for all skill levels to enjoy biking, walking, hiking, and more. There are numerous paths to explore while enjoying the park as well.

> https://www.denver.org/ listing/city-park/6822/

## **CITY PARK**

A huge and beautiful park located in Denver containing the Denver Zoo, the Denver Museum of Nature and Science and IMAX, tennis courts, fields, two lakes, historical monuments, playgrounds, and more. https://redrockcanyonopenspace.org/

## RED ROCKS CANYON OPEN SPACE

A series of beautiful canyons and ridges sculpted by thousands of years of erosion. This park consists of 1,747 acres of natural beauty and opportunities for hiking and adventure. https://www.alltrails.com/trail/ us/colorado/cherry-creek-trail

### CHERRY CREEK TRAIL

This trail spans 12.7 miles and features a river and allows dogs while kept on a leash. Hiking, biking, walking, and so much more fun can be had on this friendly trail.

https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/ colorado/green-mountain-trail--4

## GREEN MOUNTAIN TRAIL

A moderately ranked 6.4 mile long loop trail that features beautiful wildflowers and is used for hiking, walking, nature trips, and more. This trail also allows dogs kept on a leash.



## Denver ATTRACTIONS



https://www.elitchgardens.com/

## **ELITCH GARDENS**

Established in 1995, Elitch Gardens is notorious for being located in a downtown area and being an amusement/water park combo.

https://www.denver.org/things-to-do/denver-attractions/16th-street-mall/

## **16TH STREET MALL**

The 16th Street Mall in Denver is a pedestrian and transit mall running 1.25 miles long along 16th street in downtown Denver. It includes stores, restaurants, and attractions.



https://www.denver.org/listing/larimer-square/3965/

## LARIMER SQUARE

The oldest, and most historic block of Denver, Larimer Square, features shopping, dining, victorian buildings, events, restaurants, and more.



## **DENVER DINING**

Below are some restaurants to check out, all with ratings higher than 4 stars!

#### **PUNCH BOWL SOCIAL DENVER**

**ROOT DOWN** 



https://punchbowlsocial.com/location/denver

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https://www.ediblebeats.com/root-down

#### HUMBOLDT KITCHEN+BAR



https://www.table6denver.com/



https://www.humboldtkitchenandbar.com/

#### **MORE TO CHECK OUT:**

The Plimoth Guard and Grace El Five The Bindery Avelina Linger

Steuben's American Elm Rioja



# Denver MUSEUMS

https://www.denverartmuseum.org/en



## **DENVER ART MUSEUM**

Located in the Civic Center of Denver, the DAM has collections of over 70,000 works from across the world and is one of the largest art museums between the West Coast and Chicago.

https://mollybrown.org/

## MOLLY BROWN HOUSE MUSEUM

The former home of Margaret Brown, also known as "The Unsinkable Molly Brown," the Molly Brown House Museum tells the story of Molly Brown and her activism, passions, and philanthropy through educational programs and exhibits.



https://www.dmns.org/



## DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURE & SCIENCE

Including virtual programs, the IMAX theater, fascinating exhibits, and more, the DMNS is the perfect place to spend an educational day out with the family.



https://denverfoodandwine.com/



## **DENVER FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL**

A two day event of top restaurants from Colorado and over 700 wines and spirits being enjoyed and celebrated by thousands of people each year at the Ball Arena in Denver.

https://www.juneteenthmusicfestival.com/

## JUNETEENTH MUSIC FESTIVAL

Full of music, vendors, food, and more, the Juneteenth Music Festival is when people celebrate freedom, community, and culture. Join tens of thousands of people who celebrate Juneteenth at Five Points Denver, Colorado.



https://www.chamberorganizer.com/ Calendar/moreinfo.php?eventid=389383



## **A TASTE OF COLORADO**

A free, three day annual outdoor festival during Labor Day weekend celebrating the pioneer days with food, music, art, activities for all, and so much more.

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# **DENVER MILITARY**

## **DENVER MEPS**

Part of the US Military Entrance Processing Command, the Denver MEPS processes individuals for enlistment or induction into the armed services.

> https://www.mepcom.army.mil/Units/ Western-Sector/3rd-Battalion/Denver/

## DENVER ARMY RECRUITING BATTALION

The primary purpose of this organization is to recruit the highest quality individuals who meet the requirements for service in the U.S Army active duty and Army Reserve.

https://recruiting.army.mil/5thbde/4dbn/

## **BUCKLEY AIR FORCE BASE**

This base is home to the Buckley Garrison and hosts the COANG. The Buckley AFB represents a joint, Total Force and coalition base. https://www.buckley.spaceforce.mil/

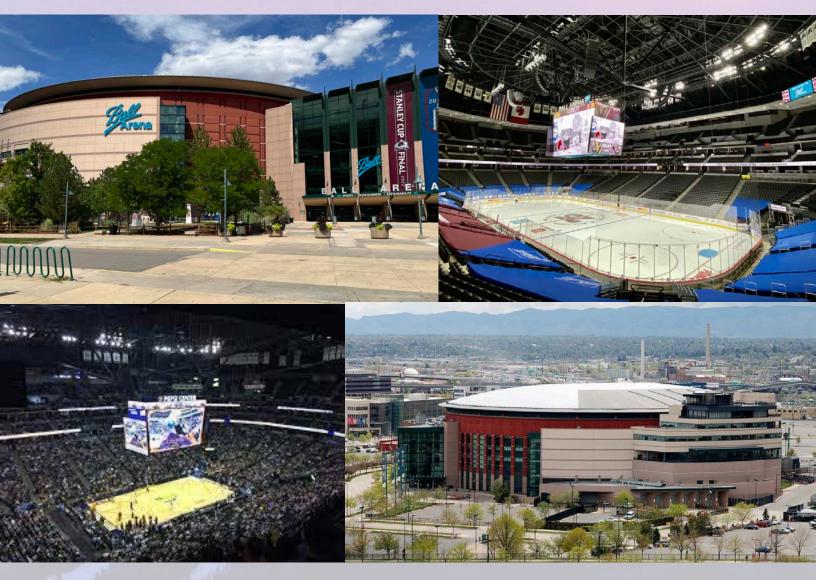
## Denver https://www.denverbroncos.com/

This stadium is nicknamed Mile High because of the city's elevation of 5,280 feet. It is home to the NFL Football team the Denver Broncos. It opened in 2001 replacing the old Mile High Stadium. Its full game capacity is 76,125 and it also hosts football games, concerts, and much more.





The Ball Arena, formerly the Pepsi Center, is a multi-purpose arena with a capacity of up to 20,000. It is home of the NBA's Denver Nuggets basketball team, the NHL's Colorado Avalanche hockey team, the NLL's Colorado Mammoth lacrosse team. This arena hosts all kinds of games, concerts, events, and more.



## Denver Magness Arena

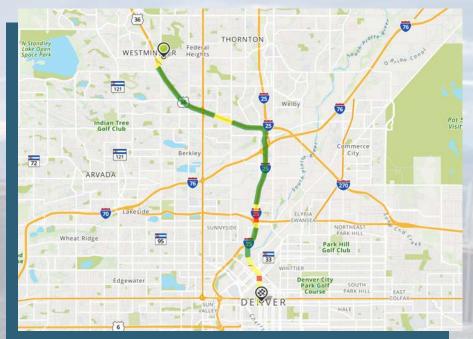
https://denverpioneers.com/sports/2018/5/24/ facilities-magness-arena-html.aspx

Magness Arena is a multi-purpose collegiate sports arena that was built in 1999 as part of the sports complex at the University of Denver. Home to the Denver Pioneers ice hockey and basketball teams, it replaces the former DU Arena.



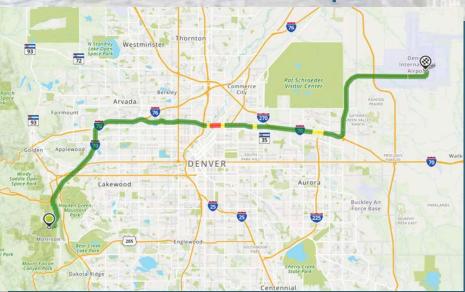
# **DENVER COMMUTE TIMES**

#### North to South: Westminster to Denver



21 Minutes 11.7 Miles

#### East to West: Red Rocks Amphitheater to Denver International Airport



## 56 Minutes 38.9 Miles



# **ART ON THE STREETS**

https://www.denver.org/things-to-do/denver-arts-culture/street-art/

Below are some examples of the street art that can be seen throughout Denver. There is a myriad of murals and sculptures to admire every day.

### **GREETINGS FROM DENVER**

## LARIMER BOY AND GIRL



Art by Jolt



Art by Jeremy Burns

### LOVE THIS CITY



Art by Pat Milbery

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## Denver Helpful Numbers

## **EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

#### **DENVER POLICE**

Non-Emergency: (720) 913-2000 **DENVER FIRE DEPARTMENT** 

Non-Emergency: (720) 913-3474 DENVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

(720) 337-0200

## UTILITIES

#### **DENVER WATER DEPARTMENT**

(303) 893-2444

**XCEL ENERGY** 

(800) 895-4999

#### **NATURAL GAS ASSOCIATES**

(303) 832-0747

#### **GOOD ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY INC**

(303) 455-5160 COLORADO ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMMERCE CITY

(303) 288-3209

## Denver Helpful Numbers

## HOSPITALS

#### SAINT JOSEPH HOSPITAL

(303) 812-2000 KINDRED HOSPITAL DENVER

(303) 320-5871

#### **DENVER HEALTH**

(303) 436-6000

#### **ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN**

(720) 754-1000

#### **DENVER HEALTH MEDICAL CENTER SGY**

(303) 602-2300

#### **COLORADO ACUTE LONG TERM HOSPITAL**

(303) 264-6900

#### **DENVER HEALTH AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER**

(303) 602-4851

#### **ROSE MEDICAL CENTER**

(303) 320-2121 UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO HOSPITAL

(720) 848-0000 **HOSPITAL** (702) 336-2386

## **MOVING CHECKLIST**

Before you move, you should contact the following companies and service providers:

#### **Utilities:**

- Electric
- Telephone
- Water
- Cable
- Gas
- Trash

#### **Professional Services:**

- Accountant
- Doctor
- Dentist
- Lawyer
- Childcare
- Veterinarian

#### **Government:**

- Internal Revenue Service
- Post Office
- School
- State Licensing (DMV)
- Library
- Veterans Administration
- Social Security
- Voter Registration

#### Clubs:

- Health and Fitness
- Country Club
- Community Groups

#### **Insurance Companies:**

- Accidental
- Auto
- Health
- Home
- Life
- Renters

#### **Business Accounts:**

- Bank
- Mobile Phone
- Department Store
- Finance Company/Credit Card

#### Subscriptions:

- Magazine
- Newspaper

#### **Miscellaneous:**

- Business Associates
- House of Worship
- Drugstore
- Dry Cleaner
- Hairstylist
- Family
- Friends

# WE'RE HERE FOR YOU EVERY Step of the process.

	PRE-APPROVAL	FIND A HOME	MAKE AN OFFER	APPLICATION PROCESS	CONTRACT CLAUSES
STARTHERE	Preliminary documents include: W-2's, pay stubs, bank statements & tax returns	Assess your wants and needs, then let your REALTOR® help you find the perfect home! →	Offer accepted, sign all required documents and order the home inspection.	Submit updated documents from Preapproval Know your numbers!	Review your contract & pay close attention to dates and deadlines.
POST CLOSING		INSPECTION/APPRAISAL			
Enjoy the tax advantages of owning a home!	TH	Inspection is completed and your lender orders the appraisal.			
WELCOME HOME	Helpful Strategies: Common Mistakes:		PROCESSING		
CONGRATS!! You are NOW a HOMEOWNER! CLOSING You are at the finish line! Once you and your REALTOR®	<ul> <li>Keep copies of all documents</li> <li>Continue to pay all of y</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>nd submit all future pay stubs, &amp; bank statements.</li> <li>opies of all documents submitted for processing.</li> <li>ue to pay all of your debts &amp; loans on time.</li> <li>Don't make any cash deposits.</li> <li>Don't make any large purchases on your credit cards.</li> <li>Don't co-sign a loan for anyone.</li> <li>Don't change bank accounts.</li> <li>Don't apply for new credit cards.</li> </ul>		Processor completes all updated information verification for credit, employment, and assets. APPRAISAL REPORT Received and reviewed; processor updates you for	
goes to Title to sign closing documents, you will receive the keys to your new home. ↑		outstanding items.			
* FINAL WALK-THROUGH	CLEAR TO CLOSE	HOME OWNER INSURANCE POLICY	TITLE REPORT	COMMITMENT	UNDERWRITING
Schedule a final walk-through for the morning of or night before closing. This is your chance to approve the condition of the house prior to signing.	You & your REALTOR® are notified that your file is clear to close & a closing date is schedule by the closing agent.	Copy of appraisal & mortgage clause provided so you can secure your homeowners insurance policy.	The closing agent reviews & shares the title report with your lender for final review and approve.	Submit ALL outstanding condition items for the commitment letter prior to final clearance.	Processor submits file to underwriting department for review and commitment letter. Approved letter issued and sent to you for review.

# **USE THIS ROADMAP AS YOUR GUIDE!**



If you are already working with another real estate agent, this is not meant as a solicitation.