



AHEC INSIDER

A monthly snapshot of news and happenings across Auraria Campus

Important Dates

Thursday, Sept. 21
All-Team Meeting

Wednesday, Sept. 27
Board of Directors Meeting

Sept. 15-Oct. 15
Hispanic Heritage Month

JASON MOLLENDOR NAMED AHEC CHIEF OF POLICE



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The safety and wellbeing of our employees, students and other members of the campus community is our top priority. Auraria Higher Education Center (AHEC) and its campus partners are constantly working to ensure that the Auraria Campus and its facilities are safe and secure, while also ensuring that all our community members have the efficient access they need to work and learn.

Over the past two summers, a building access pilot program was introduced securing all exterior doors in the West and Central Classroom buildings, allowing badge access only for authorized students, faculty, and staff. The results of that pilot program proved that limiting building access to only authorized individuals improved both the real and perceived security of campus facilities.

Through a collaborative and inclusive process, all campus institutions have agreed to move to a more secure building access model. The Community College of Denver (CCD), Metropolitan State University of Denver (MSU Denver) and University of Colorado Denver (CU Denver) are expanding the secured campus program across the Auraria Campus in coming months.

All buildings on the Auraria Campus started a three-phase rollout of new security enforcement, beginning on Monday, Aug. 21. See below for phase dates and descriptions.

Phase 1 (PREPARE)	Monday, Aug. 21 through Friday, Sept. 1	Campus buildings entrances will operate as previously, during the spring and summer semesters. (Except Central Classroom Building badge access required)
Phase 2 (PRACTICE)	Saturday, Sept. 2 through Sunday, Oct. 1	Reduced entry, limited number of doors will be open. Locked campus building entrances will direct visitors to unlocked badge access entry door(s).
Phase 3 (SECURE)	Beginning Monday, Oct. 2 and going forward	All campus buildings will operate under three categories of access: OPEN, LIMITED ENTRY, BADGE ENTRY ONLY.

Most buildings on the Auraria Campus will be secured and require a campus ID badge for entry beginning on Monday, Oct. 2 and going forward. With these secured campus initiatives going into place, it is highly recommended you always have your campus ID badge in possession while on campus. Please see map below for badge entry access points across Auraria Campus.

Full details on this project, along with a map and FAQs, can be found [HERE](#).

The Auraria Higher Education Center (AHEC) and award-winning global design firm Sasaki are announcing two open houses set to take place Wednesday, Sept. 6 and Thursday, Sept. 7.

The open houses will serve as an opportunity for campus partners and community members to learn more about the ongoing 2023 Auraria Campus Master Plan project, being led by Sasaki.

These events will be held in an open format where visitors can come and go during the duration of the open house, engage with the partners about the projects, and leave feedback.

The first open house, Wednesday, Sept. 6, will be held in conjunction with the City and County of Denver's Community Planning and Development department, working with award-winning global design firm HDR. This open house will focus on the Auraria Campus Master Plan as well as the Cherry Creek and Speer Boulevard Vision and Reconfiguration Feasibility Study.

The open house will take place on the second floor of the CU Denver Building, located across Speer Blvd. at 1250 14th Street, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

The second open house will be held at St. Cajetan's on Auraria Campus at 101 Lawrence Way, Thursday, Sept. 7, from 11 a.m.- 2 p.m., and will solely focus on the Auraria Campus Master Plan.

Coinciding with this announcement of the open houses, a Co-Map Survey, created by Sasaki, is now live. The results of the survey will inform the physical design, educational opportunities, and development scenarios to be considered for inclusion in the final Master Plan. The survey can be found [HERE](#) and by scanning the QR Code below.

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... LIVE?
... WORK?
... STUDY?
... SOCIALIZE?

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Before the start of the Fall semester, dozens of AHEC staff showed off their Exemplary Service, and aided in our Vibrant Environment as they participated in the Auraria Welcomes Ambassador Program as well as the Auraria Campus Beautification Work Day.



Skyline Park Community Open House

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

4-6pm (DROP IN ANYTIME!)

@ Skyline Park Beer Garden

Arapahoe St. between 16th St. Mall & 17th St.

Backup Location in case of Rain: Downtown Denver Partnership Office
(1515 Arapahoe St #100, Denver, CO 80202)

Denver Parks & Recreation is inviting you to a celebratory unveiling of the improvements planned for Skyline Park - Block 2. Be among the first to see one of Downtown Denver's most important outdoor gathering places, re-energized while enhancing cherished existing elements.

The meeting will be an open house format – come anytime between 4-6pm and walk around the park to learn more about the planned design updates, give your feedback, and talk to the project team.

The design for Block 2 is the first step in implementing the broader vision for all three blocks that was created with community input in 2020-2021 to transform Skyline Park into a **unique outdoor downtown destination**.

Spanish language interpretation services will be provided.
Se proporcionarán servicios de interpretación en español.

A sign language interpreter or CART will be provided upon request. Three business days' notice is requested.
Contact: SignLanguageServices@denvergov.org

For any other public accommodation requests/concerns, contact: DisabilityAccess@denvergov.org

For more information, visit: denvergov.org/theoutdoordowntown

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Conceptual rendering of Skyline Park, Block 2, fall at sunset

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FRIDAY, SEPT. 29, 2023

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Please fill out our new marketing request form online [HERE](#)

Each month we will feature a building or area of campus to showcase the rich history of Auraria, as well as spotlight the many uses of our amazing facilities. This month, we take a look at the historic Tivoli Student Union



TIVOLI STUDENT UNION

The Tivoli Brewery was Denver's second brewery, built in 1870 by Mortz Sigi. It was named after Copenhagen's Tivoli gardens and housed the Turnhalle Opera House. It changed owners and names several times throughout the eighteen and nineteen hundreds, with architectural additions being made along the way. It prospered until the 1960s, when the 1965 South Platte flood and a subsequent labor strike forced closure on April 25, 1969.

In 1973 the Tivoli was placed on the National Register of Historic Places, guaranteeing the restoration and protection of the buildings and major brewing equipment. DURA acquired the Tivoli with federal funds and transferred the property to AHEC, which leased it to a private developer who reopened the building as a shopping mall in 1985.

In 1991 students elected to turn the building into a student union and it reopened as a student union/retail center in 1994 after a two year renovation. It now serves as a defining hub of the campus. The Tivoli Brewing Company has also returned to its original location right here opening in 2015 with the brewery and tap house partnering with MSU Denver's Brewing Program to give students the best hands on experience in the industry.

The Tivoli was named #9 of the 25 best student unions by Best College Reviews in 2022.

*Special thanks to HR Technician Tiffany DeBry for providing this information

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Registered User & Validation Parking Process For New IPS Pay stations

- The AHEC Parking and Transportation office has been working on a campus wide parking system transition, with IPS Parking Solutions, to offer increased functionality to campus users, as well as provide better back-office reporting and flexibility with event pricing.
- As part of this transition, new pay stations and license plate recognition cameras have been added to reduce traffic queues at kiosks and improve campus enforcement management.
- With this system transformation, there are a couple process changes regarding the usage of validations on campus, and ensuring registered campus users continue to pay the daily campus rate as opposed to evening/weekend rates.
- Full details on the new IPS pay station processes can be found [HERE](#)



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CURRENT OPEN POSITIONS

- Business Manager - Parking and Transportation Services
- Campus Engineer/Energy Manager
- Campus Police Dispatch (In training)
- Campus Police Officer Intern
- Custodian I - Swing Shift
- Field Equipment Technician
- Grounds & Nursery I
- IT Infrastructure Support Administrator
- Materials Handler I
- Parking and Transportation Specialist
- Parking Customer Service Technician

For open positions, please click below, filter for Department "Auraria Higher Education Center" to see details on our open positions!

[**FIND ALL OPEN POSITIONS HERE**](#)



Welcome Pamela Bokusky!

Help us welcome the new Director of Human Resources for AHEC, Pamela Bokusky!

Before joining AHEC, Pamela has worked for 17+ years in Human Resources, including various HR leadership roles as Sr HR Manager at Excelitas Technologies in Boulder, HR Director for Offen Petroleum in Commerce City, and HR Team Lead for the Colorado Department of Human Services.

Pamela holds an MBA from West Texas A&M University, a BS in Russian & German from the United States Military Academy at West Point, and PHR and SPHR certifications.

Pamela lives in Arvada and in her spare time enjoys spending time with her husband, kids, and grandkids, doing home projects, playing tennis, walking with her dog, ATVing, and reading.

CHECK YOUR CHECK

As part of our commitment to accuracy, please take a moment to double-check your upcoming paycheck. Ensure your recent pay increase is accurately applied and that benefit updates or deductions are correctly reflected. If you spot any discrepancies, reach out to HR for adjustments.



Compost Is Back, Auraria!

Changes to the composting rules in Colorado forced the ASCP to temporarily stop on-campus services, but they now have the ability to sort and haul compost internally. This is huge news for their waste diversion goals, greenhouse gas emissions reduction, and for our soils. Let's all do our part and get food waste into the compost bin where our team will make sure it gets put to use! Compost receptacles will be located at the Tivoli, the Library, the Administration Building, and the Science Building. For any questions, please contact Waste Diversion Specialist Rylee McCone at rylee.mccone@ahec.edu

Share Meals App

Join us in our fight against hunger and food waste on campus by using the Share Meals app! Sign up to see which events around campus have food that will be available to community members. You can find free food nearby through Share Meals; see how much is available and how long it's up for grabs.

The app also has a list of centers across campus where students can find free food, personal care items, and other helpful resources. Sign up today by downloading the app on your phone or by using the web version! Click [here](#) or the image above to be navigated to our webpage for more information and to get started.

ASCP Website and Newsletter

To get all up-to-date information on ASCP projects and programs, to get involved with their initiatives, and to sign up for their newsletter, please visit their website, sustainableauraria.org

JASON MOLLENDOR NAMED AURARIA CAMPUS CHIEF OF POLICE



AHEC has named Jason Mollendor as its new Auraria Campus Police Department (ACPD) Chief of Police. Commander Mollendor has served as Interim Chief since January 2023 and has led the ACPD with a deep sense of integrity and commitment.

Since 2001, Mollendor has held a variety of positions for the Auraria Campus Police Department, including patrol, investigations, and command. In his new role, he will be responsible for overseeing the safety of nearly 38,000 students and 5,000 faculty and staff members who come to the Auraria Campus each year.

“I am honored to serve as the next Chief of Police for the Auraria Campus,” stated Mollendor. “I consider overseeing the safety and well-being of our Auraria Campus community one of the most impactful and important roles on the campus. I feel very fortunate to hold such a prestigious position on a campus that I love and consider my home.”

During his 22-year tenure with the ACPD, Mollendor has become highly trained in the safety and protection of campus life. He is well-versed in compliance with the Clery Act, Title IX regulations, and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). In recent years, Mollendor has been recognized as an ally by the Auraria Campus LGBTQIA+ Center and the Phoenix Center and was awarded a “Lifesaving Medal” for supporting a student in crisis. He also has participated in the planning and execution of several high-profile campus events, including the Democratic National Convention and two on-site visits from sitting U.S. Presidents.

Mollendor also boasts extensive training beyond his role as Chief of Police. He held secret security clearance from the FBI for his work with the Joint Terrorism Task Force. Additionally, he was deputized as a Special Deputy U.S. Marshal for his work on the Adam Walsh Task Force, where he served as a Defensive Tactics Instructor for 14 years. Mollendor is a Peace Operations Specialized Training (POST) certified firearms instructor, has an advanced certification in dignitary protection, and serves as a member of both the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators. He also served two terms as the vice president of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #28.

A true advocate for growth through education, Mollendor serves as a lecturer at the University of Colorado Denver School of Public Affairs. The Colorado native earned his Associate of Applied Science from Northeastern Junior College, a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and Criminology from MSU Denver and a Master of Science in Criminal Justice from CU Denver.