

# Looking@Lakewood

## July 2 special election for Lakewood voters

Lakewood voters will be receiving ballots in the mail to vote in a July 2 special election for the city, and it involves only one question, which is Ballot Question 200.

The question reads as shown below, and voting “yes” will be a vote for the question, and voting “no” means a vote against the question.

**BALLOT QUESTION 200**

**Shall the City of Lakewood limit residential growth to no more than one (1) percent per year by implementing a permit allocation system for new dwelling units, and by requiring City Council approval of allocations for projects of forty (40) or more units?**

The special election will be by mail ballots only, and registered Lakewood voters will receive their ballot packets at their homes during the week of June 10.

Unregistered voters have until June 24 to register to vote in this special election and receive a ballot by mail. Those residents can register online at [GoVoteColorado.com](http://GoVoteColorado.com) or in person at the City Clerk’s Office at 480 S. Allison Parkway. From June 25 to July 2, unregistered voters must register in person at the Jefferson County Elections Division in Golden to receive a ballot in person. For more information about registering to vote, please visit [GoVoteColorado.com](http://GoVoteColorado.com).

Voters must mail their ballot in time to reach the City Clerk’s Office by 7 p.m. on July 2, or they can drop them off at a ballot box that will be available 24 hours a day beginning June 10 on the west side of the Civic Center at 480 S. Allison

Parkway. Residents will also be able to drop ballots in a ballot box inside at the City Clerk’s Office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. until July 2, when the hours will be extended to 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

The special election is the result of Lakewood residents filing an initiative petition to create a new city law for governing how the city issues permits for construction of new houses, townhomes, condominiums, apartments and other residences. The ballot packets that Lakewood voters receive will also include a document with the complete text of the proposed new law.

Special elections are usually held on a date other than that of the regular municipal election, which will occur in November for City Council candidates.

The city has created an information center at [Lakewood.org/SpecialElection](http://Lakewood.org/SpecialElection) that includes the complete language of the proposed law and additional information about the special election. [A](#)



### Leading the way to a more sustainable future

Students from Lakewood High School’s Environmental Club celebrate receiving a Defender of the Planet Award during the city’s annual presentation of its Sustainability Awards. Learn about the work the club performed and find out who else received awards at [Lakewood.org/SustainabilityAwards](http://Lakewood.org/SustainabilityAwards).



## Annual street maintenance program underway



### 2019 STREET MAINTENANCE PROGRAM: 188 LANES MILES

- Concrete repair and repaving: **41.27 lane miles**
- Repaving only: **33.59 lane miles**
- Concrete repair only: **26.27 lane miles**
- Seal coating: **86.87 lane miles**

One zones on city streets can be frustrating, but they are a sign that work is underway to improve and maintain your roads.

Lakewood will spend \$9.3 million on its annual program for repaving, seal coating streets and repairing concrete. The funding for this maintenance effort comes from the Capital Improvement and Preservation Program, which is funded primarily by a 1/2 cent of the city’s 3 cents sales tax paid by shoppers.

Street repaving replaces worn and damaged layers of asphalt with new asphalt, and it is performed on streets with failing surfaces or poor ride quality. Maintenance for rejuvenating streets to seal and protect them against damaging weather conditions is also done, and

the city uses two products for that. One is a penetrating oil, followed by sanding to reduce the potential for cars to pick up the oil. After 24 hours, the street is swept to collect loose sand. The other is a mineral bond, and this requires the street to be closed for 24 hours after it’s applied. When this product is used, a vehicle to shuttle residents to and from their homes is available.

Concrete repair focuses on replacing deteriorated curbs, gutters, sidewalks, curb ramps and drainage crosspans. Several miles of streets will receive only concrete repair this year, which will prepare them for street repaving to occur earlier in the construction season next year.

For a list of projects in the 2019 street maintenance program outlined by each ward in the city and by each kind of project, please visit [Lakewood.org/RepairsToStreetsAndSidewalks](http://Lakewood.org/RepairsToStreetsAndSidewalks). [A](#)

### TAKE A 20TH CENTURY JOURNEY



Join us for the opening of the city’s new history exhibit at the Lakewood Heritage Center. **Details on page 6.**

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# Letter from the Mayor



## Development Dialogue addresses community’s quality of life concerns

When flowers are blooming in the parks and Green Mountain is actually green, spring is here! A lot is happening in the city and as summer approaches, please go to [Lakewood.org/50](http://Lakewood.org/50) to see how you can join Lakewood’s 50th Anniversary celebration. The summer will be packed full of great events and a new exhibit at the Heritage Center highlighting our rich history. Here’s my latest trivia question to test your knowledge of the city: How many Lakewood police agents have gone on to become police chiefs throughout the country? a) 1-20, b) 20-40, c) 40-60, d) 60-80, e) 80-100. Contact me with the right answer to win a prize.

Council has continued to work

hard on issues that affect your quality of life. We had our first of many discussions on how best to invest \$8.5 million into new park and open space land. This is a big deal; the investment will be one of the largest in terms of dollars in Lakewood’s history. With over 100 parks and a quarter of the city protected as park and open space land, we will see these numbers grow. What a great start to the next 50 years!

Council continues to address and make impactful, thoughtful and meaningful changes to the many issues YOU have raised about development. Through the Development Dialogue process ([LakewoodTogether.org](http://LakewoodTogether.org)), City Council has made multiple changes. New requirements include an increase in the parkland fee and the number of acres dedicated to parkland in new residential development. Changes have been made in mixed-use employment zones to no longer allow apartments as a single use. A new Design Review Commission is being created to help new developments retain the character of their surroundings. Additional space for public plazas will be required in large developments, and multifamily complexes will be required to have 30 percent open space in

the development. Buildings with multiple floors will be required to “stepback” the upper floors from the first floor to prevent the massive appearance of large buildings close to streets. New development near single-family homes must meet lower maximum building heights, helping to protect existing residents. To address sustainability, solar gardens will be allowed in more zones in the city and have to follow new standards. We have added significant new requirements for developments to provide additional public amenities with each new building. These numerous changes are a great example of what I call “the Lakewood way,” where residents work together to make focused and targeted changes that balance smart development while protecting our unique neighborhoods.

Another important concern of residents is housing and community affordability. As cost of living pressures mount, let’s maintain a laser focus and do all that we can to keep this All-America City affordable for all. A healthy community offers a range of housing options allowing working class, middle class, police officers, firefighters, teachers, young families, seniors and millennials an opportunity to live in the same communities where they work. Not having the ability to live near jobs

leaves residents commuting long distances, which makes traffic in and around our community much worse. This is an environmental problem too because it creates more pollution and worsens our brown cloud. I welcome your feedback on this topic; let’s work together to find thoughtful solutions to help all in our community.

Finally, it has been a challenging year for the community regarding traffic crashes and related fatalities. Recently a terrible and tragic crash in Lakewood made national headlines, while many more have not. Whether you are driving, riding a bike or crossing the street, please obey the rules and put the phone down. Let’s work together to slow down, pay attention and never text while driving. Do you remember the saying, “arrive alive”? Let’s focus on that. Lakewood, we can do this!

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## Council Corner

## Ward 5



Dana Gutwein



Karen Harrison

## Addressing growth concerns together

Keeping our community safe, especially our kids, is our top priority. We want to thank the men and women in blue and our partners in Jeffco Public Schools and Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office who work around the clock to keep our community safe day in and day out and especially during the anniversary of Columbine. The Lakewood Police Department also provided additional patrol and security during this time. This strong, tight knit partnership is critical and includes support such as providing school resource officers to schools. As state and national conversations continue, we want to encourage respectful dialogue and open minds and hearts because at the end of the day, we all share the same priority of keeping our kids safe. Please know that your local government and public safety agencies are working hard within the bounds of the law to

do everything possible to serve and protect our schools.

In Ward 5, we are experiencing both the economic benefits and challenges of growth of the region. We have spent the last year really leaning in to this conversation, with ward meeting speakers and discussions focused on population growth, planning, traffic, open space, and more. Council member Gutwein is one of five council members serving on the Development Dialogue Committee, which has been working diligently over the last year and a half to develop meaningful solutions to these growth challenges. In Ward 5, we hear a range of values and concerns. In general, our community members are not opposed to growth, but they just want to ensure it is responsible, high quality, in the right places, and preserves open spaces.

Some of the most common issues we hear include wanting to see fewer apartment buildings and more ownership opportunities, complaints about traffic, concerns about a lack of attainable and affordable housing, and desires to protect property rights. We share your values and really appreciate everyone who has spent hours working with us to find the right balance for Lakewood. We are excited about important policy changes including

increasing the amount of open space required in new multifamily developments, thoughtfully regulating density, and creating a Design Review Commission that gives our neighbors a voice in what our neighborhoods will look like so that we maintain the character of our neighborhoods. The changes also include adding new sustainability requirements to ensure water and energy efficiency. Work also continues on increasing parking requirements. Thank you for weighing in and helping us create meaningful solutions.

On May 4, we had a panel discussion at our ward meeting on the upcoming ballot question for the city’s special election. The special election timing is triggered by charter requirements, which means council could not delay the measure until the November ballot. The ballot language can be found on the city’s website at [Lakewood.org/SpecialElection](http://Lakewood.org/SpecialElection). This election will be a mail ballot with your vote due on July 2. We encourage all of you to get informed and to vote because your voice matters.

Finally, as summer is approaching we hope you will check out the new splash pad at Carmody Recreation Center (opened May 29) and that we will see you at the Big Boom Bash (July 4).

We feel thankful to live in a beautiful community with lots of parks, open space and a great location, but what really makes this community great is you. We hope to see you at one of our upcoming ward meetings, which are the first Saturday of every month at 9 a.m. at Bear Valley Church.

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Full of Possibilities.

**City Manager**  
Kathy Hodgson

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# Are you in the zone?

Athletes often speak of “being in the zone,” and by that they mean performing exceedingly well. Being in the zone describes the sense they have to be able to achieve their best. Being in the zone is a decidedly good thing. Lakewood’s commercial locations have zones — areas dedicated to attracting private investment, building businesses, creating jobs and increasing the tax base, which supports city services for residents. There are three kinds of zones in Lakewood, with each created to bring precise development tools to specific locations to achieve the best performance for the local economy.

**Opportunity Zones (OZ)** came about in the final months of 2017 with the passage of the Federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. In 2018, OZs were more clearly defined, and Jefferson County was able to secure five such zones, with three of those in Lakewood. All are north of Sixth Avenue, with the first from Sheridan to Wadsworth boulevards, the second from Kipling to Simms streets and the third including parts of the Denver West commercial area. The OZ program provides a federal tax incentive for investors to invest in low-income urban and rural communities, and in return they receive favorable treatment on and forgiveness of federal taxes on the profits from that investment. In Colorado, OZ can help address a number of challenges:

- Promoting economic vitality in parts of the state that have not shared in the general prosperity over the past few years.

- Funding the development of workforce and affordable housing in areas with escalating prices and inventory shortages.
- Funding new infrastructure to support population and economic growth.
- Investing in startup businesses that have the potential for rapid increases in size and the ability to export products or services outside Colorado.

OZ tax benefits include a temporary deferral of being taxed on the profits from the investment or sale of property if certain criteria are met. The program also includes incentives for investors to hold on to property or investments for as long as seven years before selling it. Investors doing this can reduce the portion of their profits subject to federal tax by as much as 15 percent. The last tax incentive for this zone is the forgiveness of tax on additional profit from the investment for at least 10 years or until 2047.

While Opportunity Zones tend to benefit property owners, **Enterprise Zones (EZ)** tend to favor businesses. The EZ program is a state of Colorado initiative helping to foster a business-friendly environment by offering state income tax credits for businesses to locate and invest in these designated zones. The Lakewood Economic Development Office worked hard to have most commercial areas of Lakewood included within the Enterprise Zones. The credits are designed to encourage businesses to bring jobs and invest capital in the EZs. This private investment results in tax revenue for school districts, cities, counties and the state, which



then, in turn, is spent on services to residents.

There are nine main tax credits in the EZ program including a new employee credit. Businesses increasing the number of employees they have can earn a state income credit of \$1,100 for each additional employee. If a business wants to give a new employee health insurance, there is also an EZ credit for that. If a business wants to provide additional training for their employees, there is a credit for that as well. Companies creating a qualified job-training program for their EZ employees can earn income tax credits of up to 12 percent of their eligible training costs.

Businesses participating in this program must recertify each year. If you have questions, reach out to anyone in our office, and we’ll help you go through the certification process.

The HUB in **HUBZones** stands for Historically Underutilized Businesses. This program is designed to help small businesses gain preferential access to federal procurement opportunities. In other words, the program gives small businesses located in HUBZones an advantage in securing federal contracts. To be eligible, a business must qualify

as a small business, be majority owned by a U.S. citizen and have a principal office within a HUBZone. An additional requirement is that at least 35 percent of the business’s employees must live in a designated HUBZone.

Lakewood’s HUBZones are largely on the east and north sides of the city, and our office is happy to answer questions about where these zones are located and the benefits of working as a HUBZone certified business.

Connect with us, and we’ll see if you are in the zone. [📍](#)



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## ROONEY ROAD RECYCLING CENTER

accepts the following items by appointment, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Wednesdays & Saturdays



### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS AND WASTE

The center will accept your unwanted household chemicals and hazardous waste. A co-pay of \$20 is required for up to 75 pounds of household hazardous chemicals. Other waste fees are on the website. Motor oil, car battery and camping propane cylinders recycling is FREE.



### USED PAINT

Used paint recycling by appointment only is FREE through the Colorado PaintCare program.



### ELECTRONICS

For \$1.35 per pound, the center will properly recycle your electronics and ensure secure erasing of hard drive data. Televisions are recycled for \$1.35 per pound with a maximum charge of \$105.

### SMALL BUSINESS RECYCLING SERVICES:

Businesses that are Very Small Quantity Generators (VSQGs) of hazardous chemicals can recycle/dispose of their materials at the center. Participating jurisdictions do not subsidize businesses, which are required to pay the full cost of recycling/disposal.

Visit [RooneyRoadRecycling.org](https://RooneyRoadRecycling.org) to view the full list of items that are and are not accepted or to schedule an appointment. Please call 303-316-6262 with additional questions.

# BIG BOOM BASH!

By Lakewood

# Join us for a

## July 4

### Jeffco Stadium • 500 Kipling St.



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Event kicks off at 5:30 p.m. • Fireworks at dark, approx. 9:15 p.m.

Join us this year to celebrate Independence Day, Lakewood style!

## EVENT ATTRACTIONS INCLUDE

- Local food trucks\*
- Fun for kids
- The Beer Garden presented by Foothills Credit Union\*

- A custom, 20-minute fireworks display choreographed to music provided by MIX 100

\*Food and beverage available for purchase

## EVENT TIMING - Tune in to MIX 100.3 FM from anywhere you can see the fireworks display!

**5:30 p.m.** - Gates open. Music, activities and food vendors! Seating available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**7 p.m.** - Reading of the Declaration of Independence.

**Approx. 9:15 p.m.** - The 20-minute fireworks display begins at dark.

## PERMITTED ITEMS

- Small backpacks, bags, purses, small soft sided coolers, etc.
- Non-alcoholic beverages in factory sealed plastic or aluminum containers
- Food for personal consumption

- Empty, reusable water bottles (water bottle refill stations on-site)
- Blankets
- Folding chairs
- Seat cushions and bleacher back rests
- Small, collapsible umbrellas

## VOLUNTEER FOR BIG BOOM BASH!

Contact Karla Grahn  
at 303-987-7876 or  
[KarGra@Lakewood.org](mailto:KarGra@Lakewood.org).

## BAG POLICY - We will have bag checkers at each gate searching all bags for restricted items.

## EVENT RESTRICTIONS

- **NO weapons** (e.g. guns, knives, chains, slingshots, bludgeons, artificial knuckles of any kind)
- **NO alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, medical or recreational marijuana**

- **NO smoking or vaping**
- **NO animals** (with the exception of service animals for individuals)
- **NO plastic coolers**
- **NO skateboards, in-line skates, scooters or shoes with wheels**

- **NO glass bottles or containers**
- **NO tents, ground staking of any kind**
- **NO outside fireworks**
- **NO laser pointers**
- **NO drones**
- **NO grills**



**THIS IS A SMOKE-FREE EVENT** - This includes all of the Jeffco Stadium grounds and parking lots.

RAIN or SHINE



## HELP US MAKE LAKEWOOD A ZERO WASTE COMMUNITY BY REDUCING WHAT WE SEND TO THE LANDFILL FROM THE BIG BOOM BASH!

Bring a **zero waste** picnic. Pack your food and drinks in reusable containers or buy paper products that can be composted and bottles that can be recycled. Avoid plastic bags and Styrofoam.

Find a **zero waste** station at the event where you can recycle and compost your waste. Each station will have a **zero waste** volunteer to help you sort your materials.

Be sure to encourage your friends and family to join us in our **zero waste** effort.



# free fireworks event!

Tune in to MIX 100.3 FM from anywhere you can see the fireworks display!



## TRAFFIC PLAN / STREET CLOSURES

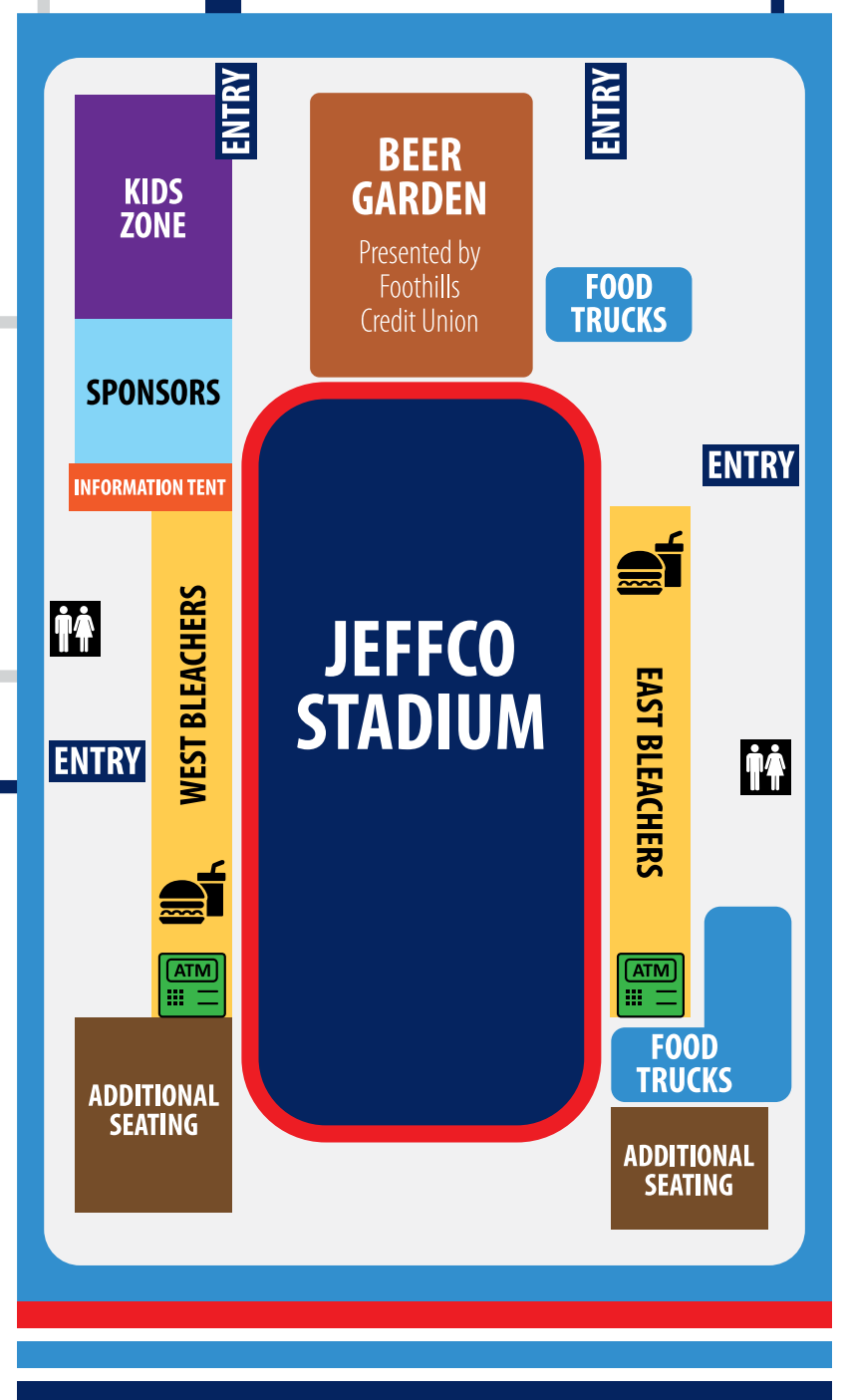
- No parking along 6th Ave., Kipling St. or Alameda Ave.
- No parking at Fletcher Miller lot.
- The 6th Ave. Frontage Road from Kipling to Garrison will be closed until the conclusion of the fireworks event, at which time cars will be allowed to exit onto the Frontage Road heading east.
- The eastbound 6th Ave. off-ramp at Garrison will be closed from the fireworks show at approximately 9:15 p.m. until the majority of cars have exited Jeffco Stadium.
- No southbound exit from Jeffco Stadium upon conclusion of the event. Northbound exit **only**.
- Independence St. will remain open.

## PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLISTS

- No access along foot/bike path connecting 1st Ave. and Independence St.

## DRIVING DIRECTIONS & PARKING

- Parking areas include Jeffco and Trailblazer Stadiums, Creighton Middle School and Lakewood Park.
- Enter Jeffco, Trailblazer and Creighton parking lots from either direction of Kipling St.
- Dennison Elementary parking lot will serve as the main rideshares drop-off and pickup area.
- Exit Jeffco, Trailblazer and Creighton lots northbound **only** on Kipling St. No southbound exit.
- Jeffco Stadium parking lot will have three exits open at the conclusion of the event.

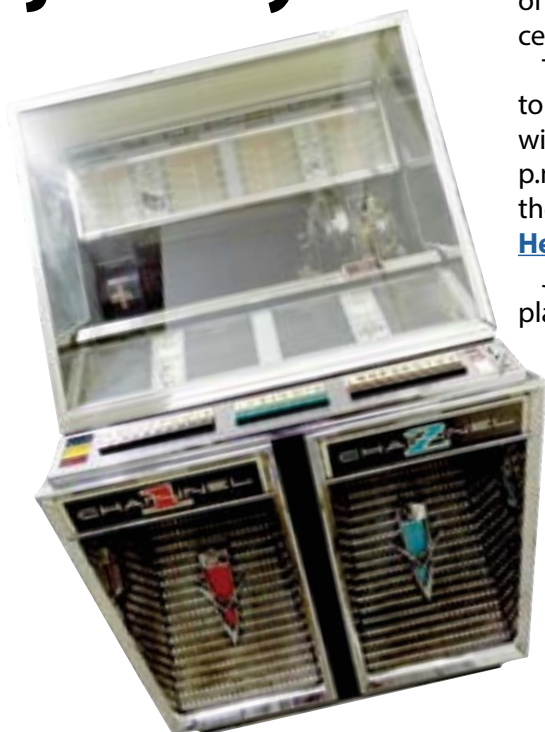


For show updates, delays, or cancellations, tune in to MIX 100.3 FM, call 303-987-7899 or check **BigBoomBash.com.**



# Lakewood's 50th Anniversary Celebration

## History in a jukebox: a 20th century journey



**H**istory comes alive when it's told by those who were there, and the new "Lakewood: A 20th Century Journey" exhibit accomplishes that in a unique and stylish way.

Visitors will be able to use a jukebox from Lakewood's museum collection to play snippets of oral histories from community members including from those who lived here when residents voted to form the City of Lakewood. Those stories are particularly fitting because this new exhibit at the Lakewood Heritage Center commemorates the city's incorporation in 1969 and is part of Lakewood's 50th Anniversary celebration.

The new exhibit will be unveiled to the public on June 27, and there will be a free reception from 5 to 7 p.m. that day. For more details about the event, visit [Lakewood.org/HeritageCenter](http://Lakewood.org/HeritageCenter).

Just for fun, the jukebox will also play music from the time period of the city's incorporation. But the oral histories of residents won't end at the jukebox. The exhibit will include a scrapbook area where visitors can write about their own histories in the city, and some of those will be featured in a rotating section of the exhibit called "Our Lakewood."

The new exhibit is the culmination of years of work

that included having extensive conversations with residents to ask them what was important in Lakewood's history and what stories should be preserved and told. Those community conversations resulted in the Heritage Center identifying seven themes for the museum to highlight in the new exhibit: water, agriculture, health and wellness, transportation, the Denver Ordnance Plant and Federal Center, commercial growth and incorporation.

The journey through the exhibit will include photographs, text, objects and interactive activities such as figuring out the best way to transfer water to farmers from a magnetic irrigation ditch. Visitors also will be able to watch the incorporation story on a 1960s TV, see speakers from a Lakewood drive-in movie theater and enjoy an extended mountainscape created from decades of license plates. The goal is for residents to see a connection between the past and their current lives through the everyday objects that form our history.

Of course, the museum hopes visitors come away thinking, "Wow, I didn't know that," and with a better understanding of how their community has transformed over its fifty years as a city. [Lakewood.org](https://www.lakewood.org)



## Flapjacks and Fond Memories

**9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, June 22 at the Lakewood Heritage Center.**

Celebrate Lakewood's 50th Anniversary of incorporation with other longtime residents, friends and families. Enjoy a pancake breakfast, take a stroll through the Heritage Center's historic structures and share stories and smiles as you peruse photos and scrapbooks from the past. This is also your chance for a sneak peek of Lakewood's new permanent exhibit before it opens to the public.

**\$5 in advance, \$7 day of. Children under age 10 are free.**

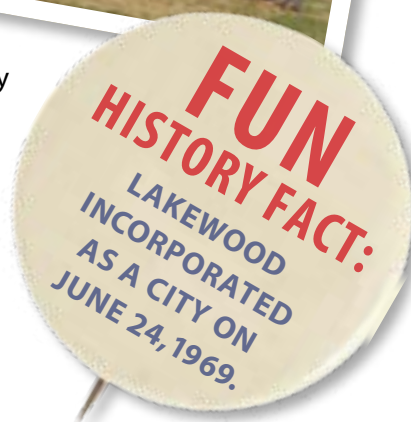
**Register online at [Lakewood.org/Register](http://Lakewood.org/Register) (activity #276720) or call 303-987-7850.**



## Anniversary book for sale

**A**dd Lakewood's anniversary book to your reading collection. "A Half-Century of Transformation: Lakewood, Colorado, 1969-2019" details how the city grew, the vision the community established for the city, the abundant recreational and cultural amenities and the business base that combine to support a consummate Colorado lifestyle.

Order it in person at the 20th Century Emporium at the Lakewood Heritage Center, call 303-987-7848 or go online at [Lakewood.org/HeritageCenter](http://Lakewood.org/HeritageCenter). [Lakewood.org](https://www.lakewood.org)



## Becoming Lakewood: An Oral History

Take a trip through Lakewood's history with photos and the stories of the people who helped form Lakewood 50 years ago. Watch "Becoming Lakewood: An Oral History" at [Lakewood.org/50](http://Lakewood.org/50).

## Lakewood in pictures



Post pictures of what you love about Lakewood and win a prize. Join the photo contest at [Lakewood.org/50](http://Lakewood.org/50).

*In celebration of Lakewood's 50th Anniversary*

## ROLLBACK WEEK in Recreation!



**\$1 for admission as follows:**

**June 10**  
Charles Whitlock Recreation Center  
Clements Community Center  
**June 11**  
Carmody Recreation Center

**June 12**  
Green Mountain Recreation Center  
**June 13**  
Lakewood Link Recreation Center  
**June 14**  
Morse Park Pool

[Lakewood.org/50](http://Lakewood.org/50) • #Lakewood50



# ARTS & PARKS

RECREATION AND FITNESS	ARTS AND HISTORY	COMMUNITY EVENTS	OUTDOOR EVENTS
<b>Community Yoga</b> First Saturday of each month Carmody Recreation Center <a href="http://Lakewood.org/RecEvents">Lakewood.org/RecEvents</a>	<b>Inspire Arts Week</b> May 30–June 8 <a href="http://Lakewood.org/Inspire">Lakewood.org/Inspire</a>	<b>FREE! Rockin’ Block Party</b> Saturday, June 8 <a href="http://Lakewood.org/RockinBlock">Lakewood.org/RockinBlock</a>	<b>FREE! Let’s Go Fishing!</b> Saturday, June 1 <a href="http://Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents">Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents</a>
 <a href="http://Lakewood.org/Camps">Lakewood.org/Camps</a>	<b>Historical Luncheon:</b> The Incorporation of Jefferson City Tuesday, June 11 <a href="http://Lakewood.org/Luncheons">Lakewood.org/Luncheons</a>		<b>Campfire Programs</b> Saturdays, June 15–August 3 <a href="http://Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents">Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents</a>
<b>Outdoor Pools, Splash Pads and Spray Park</b> Hours and locations: <a href="http://Lakewood.org/OutdoorPools">Lakewood.org/OutdoorPools</a>	<b>FREE! Exhibition Opening</b> Lakewood: A 20th Century Journey Thursday, June 27 <a href="http://Lakewood.org/HeritageCenter">Lakewood.org/HeritageCenter</a>	<b>Sounds Exciting! Summer Concert Series</b> Wednesdays, June 19–July 31 <a href="http://Lakewood.org/SummerConcerts">Lakewood.org/SummerConcerts</a>	
<b>July Park and Recreation Month</b> Throughout July <a href="http://Lakewood.org/July">Lakewood.org/July</a>	<b>History Happy Hour:</b> Big Band July Tuesday, July 9 <a href="http://Lakewood.org/Register">Lakewood.org/Register</a>		<b>Family Nature Programs</b> Saturdays, June 22 and July 13 <a href="http://Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents">Lakewood.org/BCLPEvents</a>

LET’S DOO IT.




Pitch in to pick it up, pack it out and can it! Together, we can keep our parks clean.

SIGN UP TO PICK UP AT [LETSDOOIT.ORG](http://LETSDOOIT.ORG)

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Share the trail and practice good manners

Lakewood’s network of shared-use trails receives heavy use year-round, especially during the summer season when incidents occur more frequently among the various trail users. Whatever your passion and reason for using the trails, please follow these guidelines to make your experience and the experience of other trail users safe and enjoyable. When in doubt, treat other hikers, cyclists and equestrians the same way you would like to be treated — with respect and courtesy. That will help all of us enjoy our trails, parks and open spaces! 

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For more information, call the parks supervisor’s office at **303-697-6159**.

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TRAIL RULES FOR ALL USERS

- **MAINTAIN REASONABLE SPEEDS.** Stay under control.
- **KEEP DOGS CLOSE AND ON A LEASH.**
- **SHARE THE TRAIL.** Walk, hike and ride in single file.
- **DON’T USE MUDDY TRAILS.** Hoof, tire and boot prints can have a lasting impact. If a muddy spot remains on an otherwise dry trail, go through the center of the mud to keep the trail narrow.
- **STAY ON THE TRAIL.** Creating new trails or cutting switchbacks produces more environmental impacts that affect plants and wildlife.
- **USE COMMON COURTESY.** Do your part to resolve communication issues or conflicts on the trail. If you show respect and courtesy, you are more likely to receive it.

- **DON’T TUNE OUT.** It’s best not to listen to music or podcasts when using shared trails. If you do, keep the volume down or only wear one earpiece so other trail users or wildlife don’t startle you.
- **DON’T BLOCK THE TRAIL.** Always stay to the right side of the trail. If you are taking a break, move to the side of the trail.
- **YIELD PROPERLY.** Slow down, be prepared to stop if necessary and pass in a safe and friendly way.

ALL USERS — walkers, runners, cyclists — must yield to equestrians. Stop at least 30 feet from horses and ask for instructions from the rider on how to pass safely. Sudden movements can spook horses.

CYCLISTS must yield to all users. Cyclists and other wheeled users should never expect a hiker, pedestrian or equestrian to yield.

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Farmers markets

Growing season is here, and it's time to mark your calendars for all the upcoming farmers markets in the city. Lakewood is home to several including one at the Federal Center on Thursdays beginning June 13. This market provides a great opportunity to get a yummy lunch from several food trucks while shopping at more than 30 vendors. On Saturdays, farmers markets stretch from east Lakewood in the 40 West Arts District to central Lakewood at the Mile Hi Church parking lot and several other locations. Learn more at [Lakewood.org/FarmersMarkets](https://Lakewood.org/FarmersMarkets).

Sign up for 2019 Citizens Planning Academy

Lakewood's popular Citizens Planning Academy, a dynamic and interactive program intended to provide residents with a background in the fundamentals of city planning, is scheduled to begin in August. The program covers six lively discussions about how city planning helps shape our community. The 3½ hour

sessions are in the evening, include a light dinner and run through late October. Apply to be part of it at [Lakewood.org/PlanningAcademy](https://Lakewood.org/PlanningAcademy).

Help for homeowners in need

Elderly, low-income and disabled homeowners needing help with maintaining their homes can apply by June 15 for a free program to receive assistance. Known as Help for Homes, the program helps with minor exterior improvements, painting, yard debris removal and light landscaping. Brothers Redevelopment is the nonprofit offering the assistance. Applications are available online at [Lakewood.org/HelpForHomes](https://Lakewood.org/HelpForHomes). For questions, please contact Chad Nibbelink at 720-339-5864 or [chad@brothersredevelopment.org](mailto:chad@brothersredevelopment.org).

Neighborhood grants

The city offers grants of up to \$60,000 to qualifying Lakewood neighborhoods through the Neighborhood Participation Program for projects residents believe will make a difference in improving their neighborhoods. Applications are available now for next year's grants. Learn more and apply at [Lakewood.org/NPP](https://Lakewood.org/NPP).

Seasonal city jobs available

Lakewood Parks Division is looking for seasonal employees to serve in a variety of positions from working in the greenhouse to parks and forestry jobs involving planting, mowing, watering, tree trimming and other duties. The best candidates will demonstrate dedication, customer service values, collaboration and innovation. Apply at [Lakewood.org/Jobs](https://Lakewood.org/Jobs).



What to do when you hear outdoor sirens

Lakewood outdoor sirens are used primarily to warn residents who are outdoors of weather dangers such as a tornado, but they can be activated for chemical spills, flooding and other incidents. When outdoor sirens are activated, follow the steps below. Learn more at [Lakewood.org/Sirens](https://Lakewood.org/Sirens).

- Turn on the TV or radio (850 KOA AM is the designated Emergency Broadcast Station in the Denver area) for National Weather Service information. Consider purchasing a federal weather radio.

- Do NOT telephone the police or fire departments unless you have an emergency.
- Take shelter immediately if you believe the sirens are signaling a tornado. Take cover in the basement if your home has one. Otherwise, take cover in the center part of the house away from windows.
- Do not remain in a trailer or mobile home. Go to a permanent building, school, fire station or storm shelter. Take cover in your car or a low-lying area if you can't get to a building.
- Go to a small, interior room on the lowest level if you are at work or school or to the designated shelter area.
- Continue listening to the radio, TV or federal weather radio for developments on the emergency and for information on when it is safe to leave your shelter.