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Help Restore Babi Yar Park

Sunday, October 9th, Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado invite you to spend an autumn day with your family and friends rehabilitating an important World War II memorial at Denver's Babi Yar Park. The park is located in southeast Denver at Havana and Parker Road.

Founded in 1971, the park commemorates the two hundred thousand Jews, gypsies and Soviet prisoners of war who were massacred at the Babi Yar ravine on the outskirts of Kiev, Ukraine, from 1941 to 1943.

The park includes many symbolic features, including a path in the shape of the Star of David, descriptive granite monuments providing a historical perspective on the atrocity, and a Grove of Remembrance consisting of 100 linden trees. Having received little maintenance since its creation, the park and its trail are in need of repair and restoration. Young volunteers and families will restore the Star of David pathway, plant trees in the grove and remove noxious weeds.



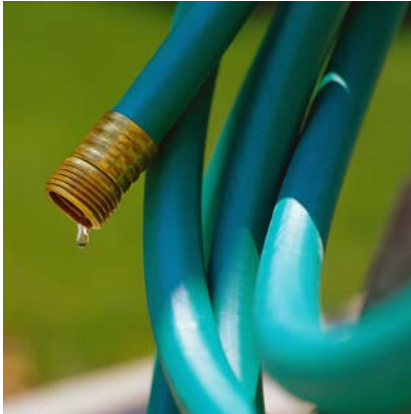
This project provides future community leaders with the opportunity to take care of an important historical memorial while learning about and honoring those who suffered and died at Babi Yar.

To sign up for this project call Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado at 303-715-1010 or visit <http://www.voc.org/ProjectsPreview.cfm#Babi-Yar%20Youth%20Project>.

Denver Water Considers Rate Increases

The Denver Board of Water Commissioners is considering raising rates in order to meet the revenue demands of operating, maintaining and expanding the water system. Denver Water has experienced drops in revenue because customers are using less water at the same time costs of collecting, treating and delivering water are increasing.

Denver Water will hold a public meeting to discuss the proposed rate increase on:



Wednesday, September 14 at 9:15
Denver Water Administration Building
3rd Floor Board Room
1600 W. 12th Ave
Denver, CO 80204

If you are unable to attend, please send comments to the:
Board of Water Commissioners M/C 312
1600 W. 12th Ave,
Denver CO, 80204-3412
Or email: dbwc@denverwater.org 303.628.6320

For more information, please contact Joe Sloan, Denver Water Community Relations by email at joseph.sloan@denverwater.org or phone at 303.628.6320. More information on the proposed rate increase can be found at www.denverwater.org.

RTD Seeks Your Input on Service

There is still time to comment on the proposed RTD service plan for the southeast light rail transit corridor. Details of proposed bus routes and services are available at www.RTD-Denver.com/Service. Click on “SE Corridor Service Map” or “Southeast Corridor Service Plan” under the service proposals tab on the left. The interactive map lets you look at each route and service in great detail. Most existing routes will be modified.

Public input is vital in finalizing the plan. RTD is interested in ensuring that the new light rail and bus service in the southeast area meets the needs of area residents, commuters and business people. Local meeting locations are listed below. We hope you are able to attend and share your opinions

Thursday, September 8,
1 p.m.
Colorado Center
2000 S. Colorado Blvd.
Denver, CO 80222

Thursday, September 15
1 p.m.
University of Denver – Driscoll
North, Suite 1880
2055 E. Evans Ave.
Denver, CO 80208

Tuesday, September 20
Noon
Regional Transportation
District – Rooms T&D
1600 Blake St.
Denver, CO 80202

Your COP Shop

Southeast Denver's COP Shop (Community Operated Policing Storefront), located in the Leetsdale Marketplace, works much like a district police sub-station, providing an alternative location for handling non-criminal complaints. The purpose of the COP Shop is to help reduce crime, make neighborhoods safer and encourage positive working relationships between law enforcement and the public.

The Storefront is also a resource for making referrals to city agencies as well as providing community information. Visitors to this location can scan through a huge array of literature on safety tips and crime prevention. Police Officers are frequently present to make reports and communicate with headquarters.

The COP Shop is staffed entirely by volunteers who have received several hours training at the District 3 Police Station. If you are interested in serving your community by joining the COP Shop's volunteer staff call 303-329-0500 or drop in and check out this great community amenity. Storefront hours are from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm Monday through Friday and 11:00 am to 5 pm on Saturday. The Cop Shop is located in the Leetsdale Marketplace, just south of Leetsdale Drive and west of South Quebec, two units south of Blockbusters.

Justice Center Update

David Owen Tryba Architects have been announced as the top ranked choice for the Master Urban Design Architect for Denver's new Justice Center. The firm will be responsible for reviewing the building site and developing guiding principals for individual building designs and outside public space. Architects for the Parking Garage were interviewed in August and the Mayor will soon announce his selection. Groundbreaking for the Parking Garage will be in the first quarter of 2006.

The next milestone for the Justice Center Project will be the selection of two signature architects tasked with designing the Courthouse and the Detention Facility. The signature architects will be selected by an independent jury who will review the architects' submittals and interview the short-listed firms. This process will begin in early September and conclude by mid December.

The Mayor's Office and City Council are finalizing the Crime Prevention and Control Commission which will evaluate and recommend programs to reduce the number of persons returning to jail. In addition, the Sheriff's Department is bidding the implementation of a Jail Management System to help identify key areas where the City can reduce the number of offenders returning to jail.

Additional information can be found on Denver's website at www.denvergov.org/justice_center.

Health-e Denver!



The Denver Public Library and Denver Department of Environmental Health are pleased to call your attention to Health-e Denver!, online resources for finding locally focused, quality health information.

The Denver Public Library Health and Medicine sites compile links to the best in personal and family health information in English and in Spanish. The sites are easy to use and contain materials for online beginners, as well as skilled researchers.

The Denver Healthy People 2010 web site provides a gateway community groups working to make Denver a healthier place for all of us to live. Many health issues (pollution, traffic safety, crime...) require us to work together to make a positive change. Here you will find connections to the information and data you need, and to people and groups making a difference.

Denver Public Library Health Site
<http://denverlibrary.org/research/health>

Denver Healthy People
<http://denvergov.org/hp2010>

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