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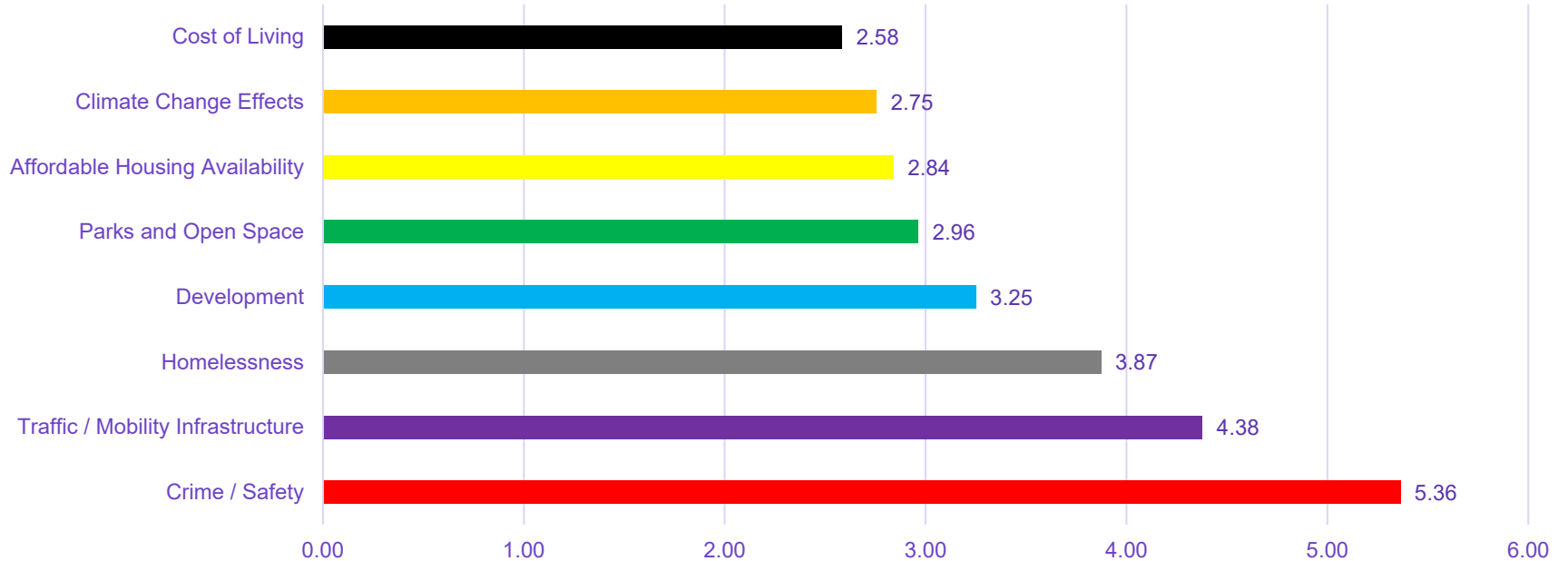
# 2023 District 5 Year in Review

Driving Park Historic District  
September 27, 2023

DENVER DISTRICT 5 ★ CONNECTING PEOPLE & GOVERNMENT

# Annual 2022-2023 Year in Review

## 2022 Most Important Issue to District 5 Residents



# 2022-2023 District 5 Highlights

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- Chairing charter review committee to discuss ways to modernize Denver's Charter
- Passed groundbreaking wage theft legislation that makes Denver workers the most protected in the nation
- Supported the creation of an eviction clinic within the Denver County Courts that has served over 800 Denver families in 2023
- Sponsored legislation to apply the Active Centers and Corridors (DO-8) design standards to properties along East Colfax which will promote walkability and small business growth
- Sponsored legislation to allow the Auditor's Office to better oversee and update Denver's prevailing wage pay classifications
- Facilitated a conversation about rezoning Montclair to allow for ADUs (there was not clear support from residents for the proposal, so this will not move forward)
- Partnered with DPD to do a lighting and crime study of every neighborhood in District 5, to identify opportunities to enhance community safety
- Completed a traffic study of Uinta Way from 11<sup>th</sup> Ave to Lowry Blvd to enhance traffic safety in East Denver



# Our Lens: Social Determinants of Health



**Economic  
Stability**

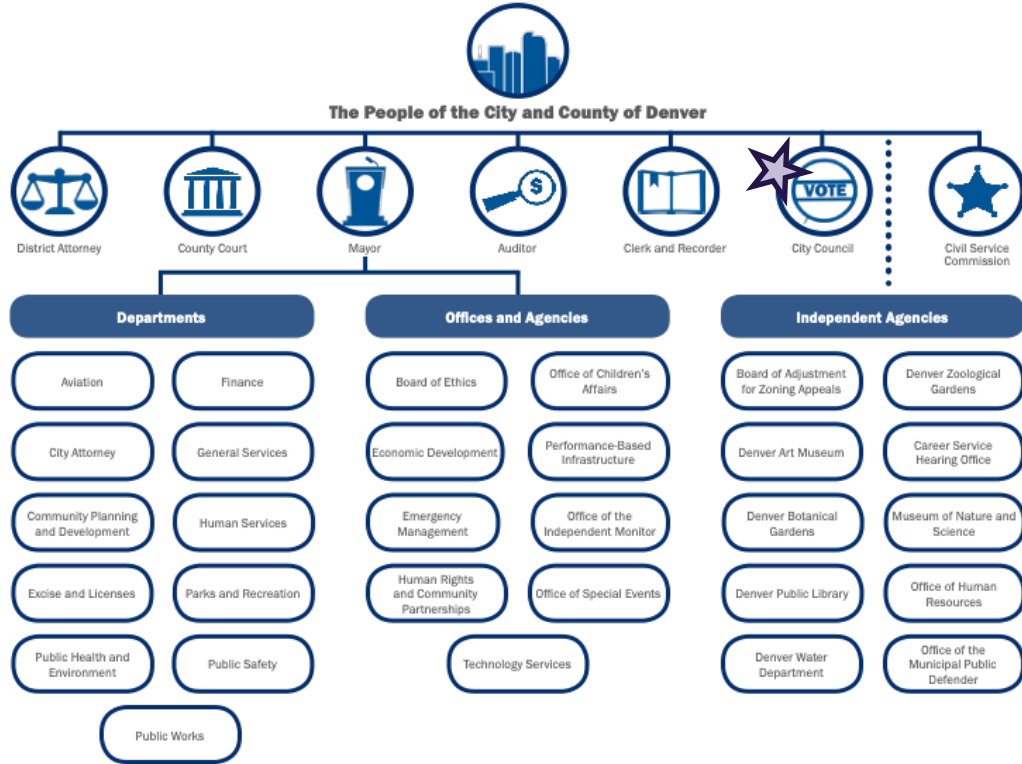
**Education  
Access  
and Quality**

**Health Care  
Access  
and Quality**

**Neighborhood  
and Built  
Environment**

**Social and  
Community  
Context**

# D5's Community Safety Work with Agency Partners



# 2022-2023 Community Safety Improvements

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- Working with HOA's to assess feasibility of installation of HALO cameras in strategic areas within District 5 neighborhoods
- Provided additional funding through the BIO Fund for Denver businesses to add safety and security measures
- Supported new legislation to crack down on inoperable, inappropriately-stored, and abandoned vehicles in the Right-of-Way
- Distributed lightbulbs to every single-family residence in the Hale and Montclair neighborhoods
- DPD created a free auto theft prevention program called DenverTrack. By registering, vehicle owners give DPD permission to utilize tracking technologies to thwart would-be thieves and work to recover your vehicle if it's stolen
- DPD created a bicycle registration via 529 Garage that has shown an almost 50% reduction in bicycle theft in other cities

# DenverTrack and Project 529 Garage

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- Register and learn more at: [denvergov.org/denvertrack](https://denvergov.org/denvertrack)
- DPD partnered with Project 529 Garage for a similar crime prevention effort for bicycles
- Register and learn more at: <https://project529.com/garage>



# 2022-2023 Traffic Safety Improvements

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- Funded a traffic study of Uinta Way from 11<sup>th</sup> Ave to Lowry Blvd to enhance road safety in East Denver. Learn more at: <https://bit.ly/CD5Projects>
- Installed an RRFB flashing crosswalk at 6<sup>th</sup> Ave and Clermont
- Construction has started on the bikeway on 12<sup>th</sup> Ave from Colorado Blvd to Yosemite St. Learn more at: <https://bit.ly/DenverMovesBicycles>
- Successfully overrode a mayoral veto to fund the design and installation of one RRFB flashing crosswalk in every Council district
- Successfully advocated for \$800,000 in funding for the design phase of one stoplight in each Council district





# 2022-2023 Housing & Homelessness Improvements

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- Opposed making SOS sites permanent in the zoning code because the goal should be permanent housing
- Supported HOST in the creation of the Housing Prioritization policy to offer residents who have been displaced an opportunity to return to their community
- Opened 72 units of housing for 0-30% AMI residents with Traumatic brain injuries in East Colfax
- 2,498 affordable units in development across the city
- 518 affordable units preserved across the city
- View the dashboard at <https://bit.ly/HOSTDashboard>



# Department of Housing Stability's Work and Outcomes

| Housing Opportunity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Housing Stability                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Homelessness Resolution                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Operations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <p><b>Expand and maintain affordable rental and ownership options:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creation and preservation of affordable housing</li> <li>• Ensure property compliance</li> <li>• Homeownership, housing counseling, down payment assistance programs</li> <li>• Capital investments in supportive housing, shelter</li> </ul> | <p><b>Keep people in the homes they are already in and prevent involuntary displacement:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rent and utility assistance</li> <li>• Foreclosure prevention</li> <li>• Home improvements and access modifications</li> <li>• Community-based housing resource navigation</li> <li>• Eviction legal defense</li> </ul> | <p><b>Help people experiencing homelessness regain housing:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low-barrier, housing-focused shelter options</li> <li>• Outreach to residents who are unsheltered to offer shelter and services</li> <li>• Provide pathways to resolve homelessness through housing programs</li> <li>• Basic income pilot</li> </ul> | <p><b>Ensure our work is informed by and equitably serves those in need in our community:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utilize data, evaluation, and engagement to drive decision-making, policy and accountability</li> <li>• Stewardship of resources to achieve long-term outcomes</li> <li>• Proactively communicate and engage with residents</li> </ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Created / preserved 2,600+ affordable homes (sale+rent)</li> <li>• Served 16,600+ households in housing counseling, down payment assistance and other programs</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assisted 32,100+ households with stability programs</li> <li>• Served 3,400+ households with eviction legal defense</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Helped 4,400+ households in homelessness programs obtain permanent housing</li> <li>• Served 5,200+ households in rehousing, supportive housing</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Held 62 community meetings</li> <li>• Reduced invoice processing times by 20%</li> <li>• Supported efficiencies in contracting and procurement</li> <li>• Executed 276 contracts</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                              |



# What's Happening Around Driving Park?

## Denver Moves: Cherry Creek

- Planning effort led by CPD to develop a strategy for infrastructure development in Cherry Creek
- Final open house was on September 19<sup>th</sup>
- Learn more at: <https://bit.ly/DMCherryCreek>

## 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Bikeway

- Department of Transportation and Infrastructure (DOTI) has reviewed the infrastructure on 7<sup>th</sup> Ave and made some changes. Learn more about those changes here: <https://bit.ly/7thAveMemo>
- The Fire Marshal did not recommend any new changes to the traffic circles on 7th Avenue

## Parks Clean-up Day

- Join us on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 am at Montclair Recreation Center for breakfast and to pick up supplies!
- Register here: <https://bit.ly/2023FallCleanup>

## Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

- No current updates for BRT on Leetsdale/1<sup>st</sup>/Speer
- DOTI will run this project
- My office will provide any updates to the neighborhood as we receive them

# How Can You Help?

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## **Make sure the City knows about the issue!**

- Report to 3-1-1 and [DenverCouncil5@denvergov.org](mailto:DenverCouncil5@denvergov.org)
- Call 911 when you witness a crime in progress

## **Get to Know Your Neighbors & Support Our Community!**

- Bring in their packages or trash cans to stop crimes of opportunity
- Keep your garage doors closed
- Join your HOA, neighborhood organization, or school PTA

## **Light up the Neighborhood at night!**

- Keep your porch and alley lights on at night to deter crime
- Contact our office to request additional street lights from Xcel

## **Please Slow Down!**

- Stop at stop signs
- Don't text and drive
- Share the road with pets, kiddos, and bikers
- Grab a "SLOW DOWN" yard sign to remind other drivers

## **Keep an Eye Out for Each Other!**

- Take the DPD Neighborhood Watch Training and start a Neighborhood Watch program on your block
- Request a free CPTED study of your home or business
- Get a Ring Doorbell and/or cameras installed
- Register your vehicle with DenverTRACK
- Get a free Club from DPD if you have one of the top 10 most stolen vehicles



# Reporting Information

## When to call 911:

- To report a crime in progress
- To report a fire
- To save a life

## When to call Police Non-Emergency:

- Any crime to a person not life-threatening
- Burglary to a home not in progress
- Auto theft not in progress
- After hours parking complaints
- After hours loud music complaints

## Did you Know You can File a Police Report Online?

For non-emergency crimes such as:

- Damaged or lost property, vandalism
- Lost or stolen checks/credit cards/ATM cards
- Theft or lost property
- Vandalism or theft from/to a vehicle

## When to call 311:

To report issues related to municipal services, for example:

- Sidewalk and road repairs
- Noise complaints
- Abandoned vehicles
- Large debris blocking roadways
- Trash issues or garbage bin replacements
- Dangerous animal complaints
- Damaged traffic signals or road signs
- Graffiti removal
- Leaking hydrant or sewer problems

**Right of Way Enforcement number:**

**720-913-1600**

**Police Non-Emergency number:**

**720-913-2000**

***Please always call 911 in an emergency!***

# 5 | 3-1-1 Thursdays!

**We're asking our residents to call in an issue, problem, or complaint every Thursday!**

Not only will this help to the City to know where problems are, it will generate needed data to show how the City can best allocate its resources to make our neighborhoods safer!

Call 3-1-1 to help us help you!



**311 THURSDAY**

What are you going to report to 311 today?



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# A Look Ahead – Work Happening in the D5 Office in 2024

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- Considering a District 5 Neighborhood Clean-up Day in addition to our two Parks Clean-up Days
- Looking into developing a zoning overlay for the Leetsdale corridor to shape future building and prepare for the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project along Leetsdale (projected by 2030)
- Considering a project in partnership with History Colorado to celebrate D5's Orthodox Jewish heritage
- Proposing a legislative rezoning of Bellevue-Hale to allow for ADU's. Learn more at [Bit.ly/HaleADUs](https://bit.ly/HaleADUs)
- Planning a traffic study of Exposition between Quebec and Leetsdale, including the intersection of Monaco and Leetsdale to the south of this corridor



# 2023 Community Feedback Survey

*Don't forget to fill out our annual  
District 5 community survey by  
December 31<sup>st</sup>!*





# Stay in touch with us!

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