



Foothills Art Market

Saturday, April 11, 2026
from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Indoors at the Foothills Fieldhouse
3606 S. Independence St., Denver, CO 80235
Located near Kipling & Highway 285

Foothills Art Market features original artwork, goods, and crafts in multiple disciplines created by over 100 Colorado artisans. Attendees will find a vast array of work for sale, including unique creations in pottery, sculpture, glass, jewelry, fashion, wood, soaps, home accessories, photography and more.

- Admission is Free!
- Food and beverages will be available for purchase.
- Beer and wine will be available for purchase for those with a valid ID.

A Message From Foothills Park & Recreation District

Foothills Park & Recreation District has recently observed an increase in unauthorized motorized vehicle use within parks and on trails, including e-motorbikes. Please remember that motorized vehicles and e-motorbikes are not permitted in any parks or trails unless specifically authorized.

These restrictions help ensure the safety of all park users and prevent damage to park infrastructure and natural resources. We appreciate the community's cooperation in following park rules.

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Community Cleanup Event – Roll-Off Dumpsters (May 8th Weekend)

We're excited to announce a Community Cleanup Weekend with roll-off dumpsters available for resident use the weekend of May 8th. This is a great opportunity to dispose of larger household items and help keep our neighborhood clean and well-maintained.

Dumpster Locations

Please refer to the attached map for the designated dumpster locations throughout the community.

Event Guidelines

To ensure a safe and successful cleanup event, please follow these important guidelines:

- All items must be placed **inside the container** (nothing left on the ground or hanging over the edge)
 - Items may not exceed the top of the container for safe transport
 - Use caution when lifting and disposing of items
 - **Do not climb into the dumpsters** for any reason

Items NOT Accepted

The following items are not permitted in the roll-off dumpsters:

- Appliances (refrigerators, washers/dryers, stoves, water heaters, A/C units, etc.)
 - Electronics (TVs, computers)
 - Tires and batteries
 - Fluorescent bulbs or ballasts
 - Chemicals (paint, oil, pesticides, flammable liquids)
 - Propane or gas cylinders
 - Medical waste or hazardous materials
 - Construction materials or railroad ties
- (See full guidelines on page 3)



Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Ongoing projects that you can join. You can consider them one and done, help once and see if they fit your needs.

- Sheridan Food Bank – Thursday preparing distribution and distributing food.
- Project Cure – once a month – Sorting Medical Supplies
- Meals on Wheels – Every Weekday-(Each member drives about once a month)
- Blood Drive – March (Next June)
- Working with Schools – every week (Library and tutoring)
- Jr. Achievement
- The Action Center – Sorting Clothing – date pending
- Meetings with breakfast, project updates, and a timely speaker.

APRIL EVENT

Columbine Kiwanis will be having a Top Golf fun event, Sunday April 26, 12:00-3:00. It's a lot of fun for individuals and raises money for our nonprofit foundation. This year we will distribute about \$30,000 to schools, scholarships, and service groups we work with including The Actin Center, Sharing with Sheridan, Outdoor labs, Meals on Wheels, local schools and outers. We tend to donate our money where we spend our service house.

For information on buying tickets or helping sponsor the event see contacts below. Sponsors will get advertising in our Columbine Kiwanis newsletter and be submitted to local press. Sponsor names be highlighted at the event.

If you're looking for hands-on service opportunities or want to meet active community members, join us! Details on upcoming projects and events are shared in our weekly newsletter—email info info@columbinekiwanis.org to subscribe. Visit columbinekiwanis.org or come for a free breakfast at our weekly meeting every Wednesday at 7 a.m. at 4Gs Restaurant, 5950 S Platte Canyon Rd, Littleton. Or email me at KenSweet@gmail.com.

The Kiwanis Club of Columbine is a volunteer-led organization of 70 members dedicated to improving the lives of children and families through more than fifty active projects and support for over twenty community organizations each year. All are welcome—no membership required to participate. Join us for service, friendship, and fun as we make a positive impact together.

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News Articles

The deadline for news articles is the 15th of the month before the next month's issue, except for the Jan. issue which is Dec. 10th. Please email news articles to the editor at klarson@pcms.net. All "Letters to the Editor" must be signed and include a daytime phone number in case there are any questions. Letters may be printed without the author's name if requested.


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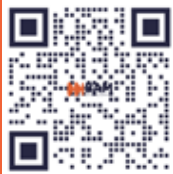
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Bulk Item Disposal - Rolloff

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Guidelines

- All items must be put into the container. Do not leave any items on the ground or hanging over the edge of the container.
- Items may not be over the top of the container as it has to be hauled on streets and highways. We can't have debris that may fly out.
- Please be careful when lifting items into the container.
- Do not climb into the container for any reason, as this is a serious safety hazard.

Items NOT Acceptable For Bulk Trash Removal

- Appliances including:
 - Refrigerators/Freezers
 - Ice Makers
 - Washers/Dryers
 - Stoves
 - Dishwashers
 - Water Heaters
 - Air Conditioners
 - Appliances with Freon
- Electronics including:
 - Televisions
 - Computers
- Tires
- Batteries
- Fluorescent bulbs and/or ballasts
- 55-gallon drums
- Chemicals including:
 - Pesticides
 - Oil
 - Paint
 - Turpentine
 - Any flammable liquids
- Propane/Gas Cylinders
- Asbestos Material
- Medical Waste
- Contaminated soil or any liquid hazardous waste
- Railroad ties
- Construction material

Thank you for following these guidelines for a successful bulk trash collection event. We appreciate the opportunity to help keep your community clean and safe.

National Earth Day

Each year on April 22nd, National Earth Day campaigns around the globe promote ways to keep the Earth healthy and our planet livable. Here are some ways to observe Earth Day.

- Support and use recycling programs in your community.
- Volunteer to clean up local parks and streets on clean-up days.
- Support and frequent green businesses.
- Use re-usable products versus disposable.
- Repurpose items that have outworn their use.
- Shop secondhand and thrift stores for gently used items.
- Use energy-efficient appliances or line dry your clothes.
- Walk or ride your bike to work if possible.
- Carpool or make one trip instead of multiple trips for shopping.
- Encourage your favorite products to reduce packaging.

Interesting Facts For April

- The first president of the United States, George Washington, was inaugurated on April 30, 1789.
- April is the equivalent of October in the Southern Hemisphere.
- The phrase “April Showers bring May Flowers” comes from a poem from the 1500s by Thomas Tusser.
- The April full moon earns the name April’s Full Pink Moon not due to its color but because it’s named after the pink phlox flowers that bloom in North America’s early spring.

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1. Clean Baseboards: Spring cleaning is the perfect time to clean your baseboards. “Although they’re often overlooked, clean baseboards give your home the perfect finishing touch,” says Leanne Stapf, COO of The Cleaning Authority. Baseboards can be easily cleaned with a vacuum with a bristled brush hose attachment to remove any dust; then, wipe them down with a damp microfiber cloth and all-purpose cleaner.

2. Dust: No matter how much you try to prevent it, dust builds up in every room of the house. When dusting, work from the top of a room down, vacuuming the dust that settles on the floor. This includes hard-to-reach places, such as the tops of ceiling fans and window casings.

3. Vacuum. Vacuum your floors to clean crumbs and loose dirt. “It’s common to track the bacteria and dirt from your shoes across the carpet,” says Stapf. “Not only can a buildup of grime break down your carpet fibers, but it can also harbor pollutants that may make you sick.”

4. Mop. After vacuuming, go over your floors with a mop. “Floors are one of the most exposed areas in our homes, which is why mopping them frequently is crucial in keeping your home clean,” says Diane Amos, cleaning expert for Pine Sol.

5. Shampoo Rugs. Synthetic carpets and rugs with water-proof backings can be deep-cleaned with a rotary shampoo machine and a hot-water extraction machine. Rugs without backings require professional cleaning.

6. Wipe Walls and Ceilings. Over time, our walls and ceilings build up with unwanted marks. To clean your walls, start by using a vacuum to remove dust. Next, tackle stubborn

surface grime, which is especially prevalent in kitchens, with a solvent-free degreaser (test it first in an inconspicuous area to ensure it won’t mar the surface).

7. Reseal Grout Lines. The cement-based material between wall, floor, and countertop tiles is extremely porous and stains easily. Protect it by applying a grout sealer with a small foam brush.

8. Clean Upholstered Furnishings. Take cushions outside and gently beat them by hand to remove dust. If there are stains, check the care labels for cleaning recommendations. Use a vacuum’s upholstery and crevice tools to clean under seat cushions.

9. Clean Window Furnishings. Drapes, curtains, and blinds should also be tended to. “While we may not directly interact with them, curtains can accumulate dust and odors from around the home and need to be cleaned,” says Stapf. “Give the curtains a little extra TLC once every season, but look at their material before throwing them in the washing machine. Some may need to be sent to the dry cleaners.”

10. Wash Window Screens. Window screens get very dirty throughout the year. Clean them using warm water and a mild dishwashing liquid, scrubbing each screen with a brush. Once clean, rinse them thoroughly with water.

11. Clean Light Fixtures and Ceiling Fans. Light fixtures are a hub for dust. “Your ceiling fan is a great place to start—just make sure you turn off the light bulb and let it cool before wiping it down,” says Amos. Wipe the blades with a pillowcase so the dust gets trapped inside.

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April Garden Calendar

April is a pivotal month in your garden. While we may still see weather variability between winter and spring, the trend is definitely toward warming. As the ground warms the garden awakens.

Garden cleanup is the first priority:

- Rake leaves and debris from around trees, shrubs and other garden areas.
- If you haven't done so yet, cut back ornamental grasses.
- Prune summer blooming shrubs such as butterfly bush, blue mist spirea, potentilla, and some hydrangeas.
- Remove any broken or damaged branches from trees.

What we've been waiting for -- Planting season begins now!

- Plant container or balled and burlapped trees and shrubs from now throughout spring.
- Now is the time to plant bare root roses. Soak roots in water for 12 hours before planting. Vegetables – Early April Outdoors
- Soak parsley seeds 24 hours before planting ¼" deep.
- Dill seeds should be pressed lightly into the soil.
- Peas can be sown as late as mid-April.
- Indoors- Start warm season vegetables from seed like tomatoes and peppers.
- Mid April Outdoors: Plant lettuce, chard, spinach, kale, beets, carrots, radishes and onion sets.
- Indoors - Start seeds of flowers like zinnias and celosia that need four weeks before planting outside. It's not too late to plant Cardinal Seed Vine and Hyacinth Bean Vine indoors; two annual vines that put on a beautiful show mid to late summer.

Other Garden Chores:

- Transplant: When soil has thawed, divide and transplant summer and fall blooming perennials such as sedum Autumn Joy, garden Phlox paniculata, Asters, perennial Dianthus, and Shasta Daisies.
- Roses – Once new growth starts, usually mid-April, slowly remove mulch from around the plants. Prune dead or damaged canes first, then prune all other canes

to approximately 1 to 2 feet above ground. As active growth appears, fertilize with a rose food formulation of 9-14-9 which is higher in phosphorus to encourage blooms and strong roots. Do not prune live canes of climbing roses. However, cutting out dead canes is recommended.

Lawn Care:

- Core aeration is one of the most beneficial things you can do to maintain a healthy lawn. This is also a good time to do an irrigation audit to make sure your system is working properly.

Weeding:

- As you see weeds pull them out. They are generally small this early and easy to remove.

Wasp Control:

- Hang pheromone traps out to capture early emerging yellowjackets. If you trap a queen early, you prevent a nest. These bright yellow traps are available at both garden centers and big box stores. They will not harm other insects just yellowjacket wasps.

When you have questions, Colorado State University Extension has research-based answers. Get answers to your horticulture questions by visiting ask.extension.org any time day or night.

– Fredricka Bogardus, Colorado Master Gardener

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