



EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Serving Thornton



WHO WE ARE

The city of Thornton's Community Connections Division serves as a one-stop resource shop for Thornton residents. Community Connections provides a wide-range of resources and services that support residents as they improve their quality of life in Thornton.

English-Spanish bilingual team members offer a tailored selection of programming and referrals to meet individual needs for food, clothing, shelter, social/mental health supports and beyond.

OUR MISSION

Enhancing lives through connection.

OUR VISION

Building a foundation of community empowerment where all in Thornton reach their maximum potential.

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Agencies listed in this booklet may change locations or requirements at any time. Please contact the organization prior to visiting it.

Colorado Department of Education Adult Education Initiatives

201 East Colfax Avenue, Room 300, Denver

cde.state.co.us/cdeadult

Adult Education Initiatives supports adult education programs around the state of Colorado. Funded programs provide adults with the opportunity to learn basic skills such as: reading, writing, math, and technology to advance in a job or get a High School Equivalency Certificate

Family Literary Program at Metropolitan State University of Denver

303-458-8063

P.O. Box 173362 Campus Box 41, Denver

msufamilyliteracy@gmail.com

msudenver.edu/family-literacy-program

Adult Basic Education provides adults with the opportunity to learn basic skills to advance in a job or get a High School Equivalency Certificate. English Language Acquisition provides individuals with a language other than English as their first language an opportunity to learn how to speak, read and write in English. The FLP serves families in Denver and Adams County.

Asian Pacific Development Center (APDC)

303-923-2920

1537 Alton St., Aurora

info@apdc.org

apdc.org

APDC serves and supports all immigrant, and refugee communities with a whole health, community-based engagement approach through health, education, and advocacy. APDC offers free high-quality classes including English Language classes and programming to foster youth leaders.

careeronestop

1-877-872-5627

info@careeronestop.org

careeronestop.org

A resource to learn about careers, find career information, and locate career resources and advice.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (ECE)/ CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE

A Precious Child

303-466-4272

7051 W. 118th Ave. 7051 W. 118th Ave., Broomfield

apreciouschild.org

A Precious Child assists children and families facing difficult life challenges such as abuse and neglect, crisis situations and poverty. It provides children in need with opportunities and resources to empower them to achieve their full potential.

Adams County Headstart

720-523-4602

11860 Pecos St., Westminster

adcogov.org/headstart

This program provides high quality early education for children in partnership with their families and the community. Children must be three years-of-age, and not yet five years-of-age, by October 1 of the calendar year to be enrolled.

Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCCAP)

720-523-2337

11860 Pecos St., Westminster

AdamsCCAPParticipants@adcogov.org

adcogov.org/cccap

This program designed to provide child care subsidies to low-income families for child care during employment, job search or school/college.

Early Childhood Partnership Of Adams County (ECPAC)

303-428-2929

8859 Fox Drive, Suite 205, Thornton

admin@ecpac.org

ecpac.org

The ECPAC provides support to Early Care and Education (ECE) Programs towards high-quality early education for children and resources for parents and families.

The National Literacy Directory

1-877-389-6874

nld.org

The National Literacy Directory helps connect potential students and volunteers to literacy services, community education programs, and testing centers. Listings available for Early Childhood, Family Literacy, High School Equivalency/Adult Basic Education, English Language Learning and Citizenship Classes.

Colorado Shines

877-338-2273

1575 Sherman St., Denver

cdec_coshines@state.co.us

coloradoshines.com/home

The Colorado Shines Child Care Resource & Referral line at Mile High United Way offers families one-on-one support to find licensed, quality child care.

EDUCATION SUPPORT

Environmental Learning for Kids (ELK)

303-291-7553

info@lkkids.org

elkkids.org

ELK programs introduce, immerse and mentor youth from ages 5-25 to Colorado's natural resources and science related careers.

Migrant Education Program

303-866-6963

201 East Colfax Ave., Denver

cde.state.co.us/migrant

The Migrant Education Program (MEP) provides supplemental support to eligible migrant children and youth. Support services include one-on-one visits with students and parents, academic support, school supplies, and referrals to other needed resources.

Colorado Virtual Library

coloradovirtuallibrary.org

Free access to library resources and news.

Anythink Libraries

303-288-2001

5877 E. 120th Ave., Thornton

anythinklibraries.org

Anythink libraries serve the residents of Adams County. It supports the lifelong learning for children, families, artists and entrepreneurs through hands-on programming, popular resources and one-on-one assistance.

4-H Youth Development Program, CSU Extension

303-637-8100

9755 Henderson Rd., Brighton

4h@adamscountyextension.org

adams4h.org

Colorado State University (CSU) Extension, a community of more than 100 public universities across the nation provides experiences where young people learn by doing in hands-on projects in areas including health, science, agriculture and citizenship. Colorado 4-H Programs provide opportunities for youth to learn, practice and apply knowledge and abilities to prepare them for success in higher education, career and life.

Aquetza Academic Summer Program

303-474-8450

249 UCB, Boulder

Aquetza@colorado.edu

colorado.edu/aquetza

A free, one-week summer residential program on the Campus of University of Colorado Boulder that provides high school students with strong ties to Chicano/Latino communities from across Colorado with an interactive, academic enrichment experience focused on engaging Chicano/Latino youth in examining the history, literature, health science, and relevant social and political issues surrounding their cultural communities, through rigorous academic work in ethnic studies, writing, reading and science.

The BUENO Center for Multicultural Education

303-492-7371

University of Colorado School of Education, 247 UCB, Boulder

info@buenocenter.org

colorado.edu/center/bueno

The BUENO Center promotes and advocates for equitable education for culturally and linguistically diverse learners, families, and the educators who serve them. As such, they facilitate comprehensive professional learning from adult education to graduate programs.

College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP)

hepcampassociation.org/campprojects

CAMP assists students who are migratory or seasonal farmworkers (or children of such workers) enrolled in their first year of undergraduate studies at an institution of higher education. The funding supports completion of the first year of studies.

Colorado Directory of Colleges and Universities

303-862-3001

Questions@dhe.state.co.us

highered.colorado.gov/Data/InstSelect.aspx

A complete list of higher education institutions in Colorado.

Colorado State University (CSU) Extension

303-637-8100

9755 Henderson Rd., Brighton

info@adamscountyextension.org

extension.colostate.edu

Colorado State University Extension (CSU) provides reliable research-based information to help you make informed decisions in the topics of agriculture, horticulture, range, forestry, water, health promotion, financial literacy, business management, community development, youth-development-based and more.

My Colorado Journey

mycoloradojourney.com

Connects job seekers and students to careers, education planning and support resources through a guided process that drives action and goal completion.

TECHNOLOGY & DIGITAL LITERACY

GCF Global

info@gcfglobal.org

edu.gcfglobal.org/en

Free online learning for everyday life, basic math, and computer training.

Khan Academy

khanacademy.org

Provides free online curriculum and exercises for both educators and students.

Focused on K-12, Learn for free about math, art, computer programming, economics, physics, chemistry, biology, medicine, finance, history and more.

YOUTH EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Third Way Center

303-780-9191

thirdwaycenter.org

Third Way Center provides around-the-clock treatment and care for young adults ages 14-21. The center has two state-approved, alternative high schools for youth. Led by Master's Level Special Education teachers, students receive individualized attention in small classrooms.

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth Program

720-523-6898

WBCWIOA@adcogov.org

adcogov.org/workforce-youth-programs

The WIOA Youth Program offers assistance to support youth to obtain their high school diploma or equivalency, attend postsecondary training, access work-based learning opportunities, and encourage youth through their education by offering case management and supportive services.



CONNECT WITH US

Visit: 9471 Dorothy Blvd.
(Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.)

Call: 720-977-5800
(Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.)

Email: Connections@ThorntonCO.gov
(Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.)

Web: goCOT.net/Connections (24/7)

THORNTON CARES

Thornton Cares is a resource platform to help you find the programs and services you need.

Visit thorntoncares.com 24/7.

Any of the community-based resources or service providers listed on the Thornton Cares website thorntoncares.com, or to which city staff has provided a referral by email, phone or otherwise, should not be seen as an endorsement or recommendation by the city. Nor can the city guarantee the availability of any such resources or service providers.

