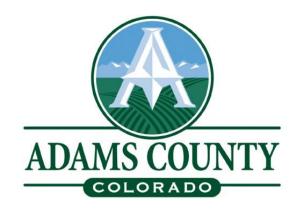
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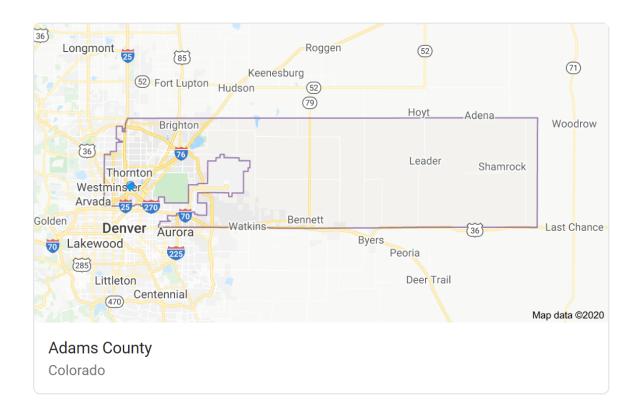
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Adams County spans 1,200 square miles. It is home to suburban, urban, and rural communities. Adams County is home to the cities of Brighton, Commerce City, Federal Heights, Northglenn, and Thornton; portions of Arvada, Aurora, Lochbuie, and Westminster; and the town of Bennett. Unincorporated communities include Henderson, Strasburg, and Watkins. It's prime location, affordable living, and access to all major highways make it an ideal spot for individuals and families who want to be close to both work and entertainment amenities. Adams County has Colorado's only Spaceport and is not just a regional, but national leader in creating a robust job market and economy. This snapshot will highlight the work being done by Adams County departments on behalf of the residents who choose to call it home.





Crime and Traffic Statistics Snapshot

This report was generated by the Adams County Sheriff's Office *My Neighborhood Update* tool. Findings show common trends throughout the county with traffic, disorder and other police matters as top trends in the county. Utilize the <u>My Neighborhood Update</u> tool.

Northern Neighborhoods





Southern Neighborhoods





Eastern Plains Neighborhoods





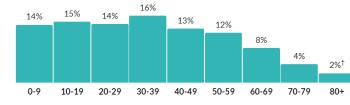


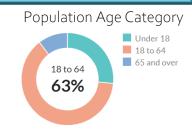
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Race and Ethnicity

Population by Age Range



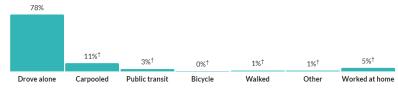
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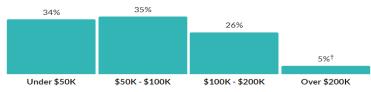




Mean Residents in Household

Household Income

* Universe: Workers 16 years and over



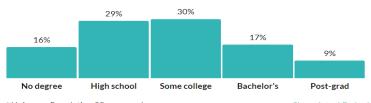
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168,361 Number of

Households

Resident Education Level



* Universe: Population 25 years and over

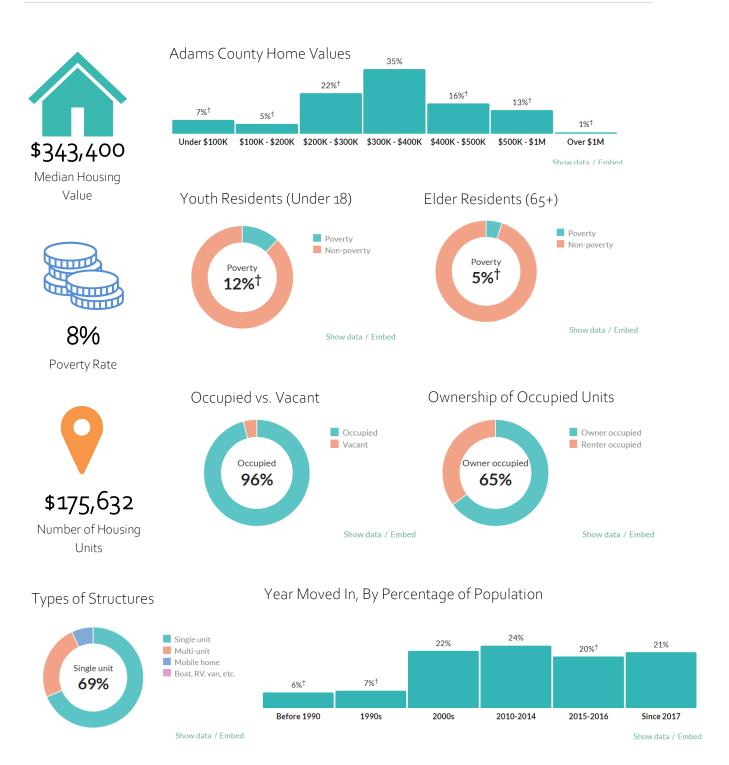
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Residents with Bachelor's Degree or Higher

Number of

Data Reference: https://censusreporter.org/profiles/05000US08001-adams-county-co/





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Community & Economic Development (CED)

Top three successfully completed projects this year. Please include location and completion date of each.

- 1. Text Amendments Solar regulations, industrial zone districts
- 2. Opportunity Zones Taskforce
- 3. Crossing Pointe North Affordable housing development in the City of Thornton

Impact. What do the completed projects mean for residents?

- Easier permitting process for solar developments.
- Crossing Pointe North 64 units of affordable senior housing.

Top three new projects for 2020. Please include location start and anticipated end date for each.

- 1. Comprehensive Plan
- 2. Subarea Plans (Arvada Square Lakes Neighborhood around Sheridan and I-76, Colorado Air and Space Port)
- 3. 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan started 8/2019, targeted completion 8/2020

Will completion on any of the 2020 projects impact residents? What should residents expect?

• 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan is a five-year strategic plan in how U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development will be expended in Adams County.

Will your department have any resident engagement events or calls for comment? Please list below along with dates times and contact information if applicable.

- Comprehensive Plan
- Subarea Plans
- 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan

Any additional success stories to share?

Online resources for residents to connect with your department:

- adcogov.org/regulation-amendments
- adcogov.org/ced

Number of residents your department served in 2019.

- Minor home repair program 22 homes
- Crossing Pointe North 64 affordable housing units

Event or services provided:

• 267,313 pounds of electronic waste collected during resident drop off events and diverted from landfills.



- Around 8,000 pounds of household hazardous waste collected during resident drop off events and diverted from landfills.
- 67 environmental compliance inspections completed in 2019

Total of building permits issued in 2019:

• 3,791

Total number of business license issued in 2019.

- Liquor 92
- Marijuana 12
- Ambulances -12

COVID-19 Update:

CED is continuing to serve the public through remote operations and responding to requests via email. Starting June 2, we will open our One-Stop counter by appointment only on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Go online to adcogov.org/ced to make an appointment.

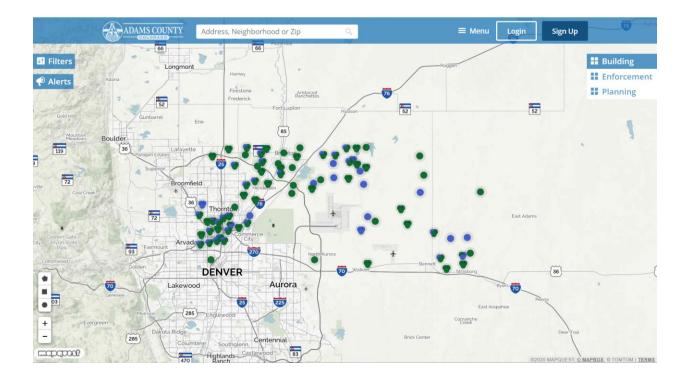
Need to contact Adams County Neighborhood Services? Go to:

adcogov.org/neighborhood-services



Building Permit Information

There were approximately 3,438 permitting cases closed and 750 permits open (May 2019-May 2020). Want to look up Building Permit information? Follow this link.



Eye on Adams Map: Green dots are completed/issued permits. Blue dots are received permits. Map depicts a snapshot of building permits issued in the past year.

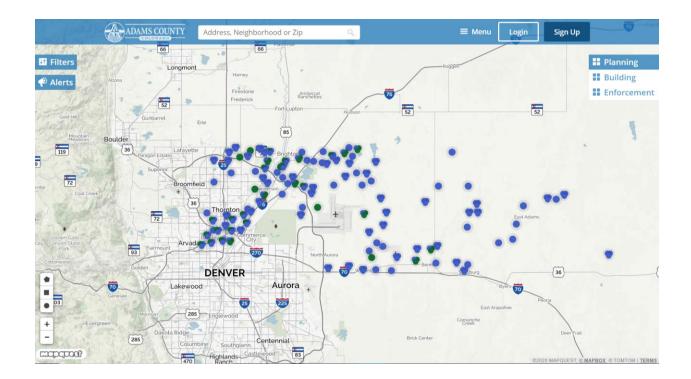
Land Use Cases

Map depicts a total of 554 land use cases (May 2019-May 2020). There are currently approximately 61 completed reviews and 493 cases under review. Want to learn about what may be under review in your area? Go to adamscounty.buildingeye.com/planning. You can also visit the planning department at adcogov.org/planning/currentcases

Need a building permit? You can apply online

permits.adcogov.org/citizenaccess/





Eye on Adams Map: Green dots are completed. Blue dots are under review. Map depicts a snapshot of Land use cases received in the past year.

Oil and Gas Information

Number of active oil wells in Adams County:

• 997 active oil wells, 877 of which are in unincorporated Adams County.

Current number of oil and gas permits awaiting approvals.

- One Oil and gas permit with 22 wells awaiting county approval.
- Two county-permitted well pads awaiting both location permit and drill permit approvals from COGCC
- Two county-permitted well pads awaiting only drill permit approvals from COGCC

Additional Oil and Gas Information

- Oil and gas facility regulations adopted on Sept. 3, 2019.
- Adams County is now the second largest producer of oil in the state.

Want more information?

cogcc.state.co.us/maps.html#/gisonline

adcogov.org/oil-and-gas-information



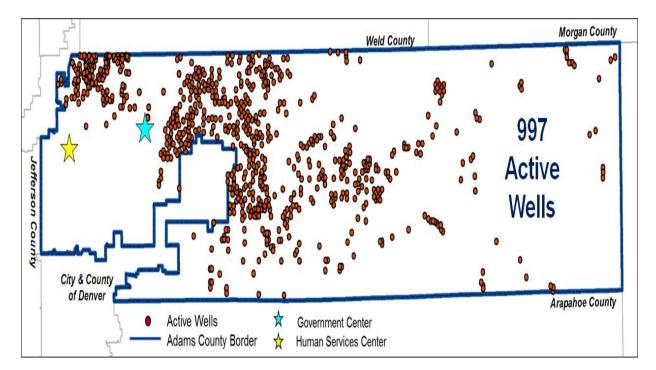
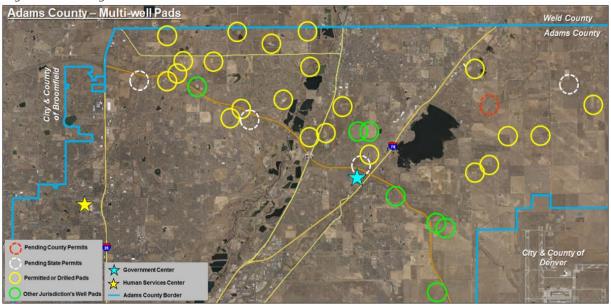


Figure 1: Active Oil and Gas Wells Located Within Adams County







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Community Safety & Well-Being

Top five successfully completed projects this year.

- 1. Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Preparedness, Resilience and Response: Secured and developed training for the Continuity of Operations Planning software. Also purchased regional emergency sheltering supplies.
 - Countywide
 - January 2020
- 2. Poverty/Homelessness/Neighborhoods (PHN) Severe Weather Action Plan (SWAP): Provided critical emergency sheltering for persons experiencing homelessness during adverse weather.
 - Countywide
 - April 2020
- 3. PHN Point in Time (PIT) Count: National effort coordinated by local partners to get an estimate of the number of homeless sheltered and unsheltered.
 - Countywide
 - January 2020
- 4. Criminal and Social Justice (CSJ) Equity and Justice Summit Planning: Organized a regional conference for high level practitioners.
 - Regional/Countywide
 - March 2020 (Postponed due to COVID-19
- 5. Community Safety & Well-Being (CSWB) Strategic Plan: Crafted a comprehensive plan for the department including a guiding statement and principals that are aligned with the county's mission, vision, and priorities.
 - Regional/Countywide
 - March 2020

What do the completed projects mean for residents?

- 1. OEM capacity building enables the county to respond to an emergency more quickly, effectively, and with the least amount of harm to property and life.
- 2. PHN's SWAP protected and preserved the health and dignity of people experiencing homelessness, reducing the number of emergency calls to first responders and pressure on an already limited sheltering system.
- 3. PHN's PIT Count is the main source of data used by the federal government to track the number, demographics and needs of people experiencing homelessness throughout the country over time. These numbers are also used to determine federal funding allocations to address homelessness and inform strategies from local service providers and government agencies.
- 4. CSJ's Equity and Justice Summit will eventually bring key stakeholders together to discuss the intersection of criminal and social justice in our community. With a broader lens, along

- with more expertise, perspectives, and collaboration, significant gains will be made in criminal and social justice outcomes. (Postponed due to COVID-19)
- 5. CSWB's Strategic Plan will serve as a guiding document to ensure transparency and accountability. It demonstrates a balanced and thoughtful approach toward achieving meaningful gains for the entire community.

Top five new projects for 2020. Please include location, start, and anticipated end date for each.

- 1. OEM After Action Review (AAR) Planning for COVID-19 is a qualitative review of actions taken to respond to the emergency as a means of identifying best practices, gaps, and lessons learned.
 - Regional/Countywide
 - December 2020
- 2. Criminal Justice Awarded \$40,000 DOOR transportation grant from Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT). Explore and identify transportation barriers via survey to justice involved populations to develop recommendations for programs to reduce these transportation barriers.
 - 17th Judicial District
 - November 2022
- 3. Criminal Justice Structured Decision-Making (SDM) tool for screening committee to review cases for possible Community Corrections placement.
 - 17th Judicial District
 - August 2020
- 4. PHN Adams County Day Works Program is a low-to-no-barrier employment program for people experiencing homelessness to receive same- day payment for their work, onsite support and services, resource and housing navigation, and support for permanent employment.
 - Adams County Parks and Trails
 - March 2021 (depending on delays resulting from COVID-19)
- 5. CSWB Evaluation and Scientific Analysis Pursuing J-PAL (Poverty Action Lab) partnership to realize evidence-informed policymaking and an increased capacity to scale up effective programs.
 - Regional/Countywide
 - September 2020

Will completion on any of the 2020 projects impact residents? What should residents expect?

- 1. AAR planning will offer county practitioners key insights that will help our county during future emergencies.
- 2. Criminal Justice DOOR results could assist us in applying for additional grant dollars for implementation of new transportation programs in 2021/22.
- 3. The Criminal Justice SDM tool will assist in reducing bias in decision making and provide guidance to the screening committee and Community Corrections board. It is not intended to increase acceptance rates, but rather provide for unbiased decision making.



- 4. PHN's Day Works Program should lead to improved outcomes for an extremely vulnerable population, including but not limited to an increase in employment for persons struggling with homelessness and joblessness.
- 5. CSWB's partnership with the MIT-based Poverty Action Lab would connect some of the industry's leading minds with our internal experts so that we can better evaluate programs and drive decision making. The partnership would also help with the development of a county poverty indicator, which will be used to accurately assess and respond to the needs of people across a more representative continuum.

Will your department have any resident engagement events or calls for comment? Please list below along with dates, times, and contact information if applicable.

CSWB was intending to have a safety-based, education day coordinated by OEM. Additionally, we intended to host a large professional development criminal and social justice conference. Given the current situation with COVID-19, both have been postponed indefinitely.

Any additional success stories to share?

OEM has demonstrated an impressive level of expertise, composure, and collaboration during the current COVID-19 crisis. It is a testament to the composition of the team, the leadership of Ron Sigman, and the overall importance of this function and its role within our county.

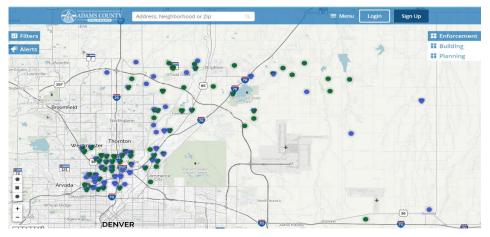
Online resources for residents to connect with your department:

adcogov.org/community-safety-well-being

Community Safety & Well-Being Departmental Highlight:

Neighborhood Services

Below is a county snapshot of Code Enforcement activity across the county. <u>Learn</u> more about what is going on in your neighborhood.



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Animal Management:
There are four Animal
Management officers for
Adams County. The officers
responded to 5,550 calls for
service. The officers
impounded 3,125 animals
and 279 bite reports. The
officers handle calls 24/7.
While being on duty and on
call in the evening hours,
6,680 hours were covered
after business hours.

Neighborhood Services continues to provide vital services during the Covid-19 pandemic. <u>Find more information</u>.

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Parks, Open Space & Cultural Arts

Top five successfully completed projects this year:

- 1. Pelican Ponds Open Space, 88th and Riverdale Spring 2019
- 2. Twin Lakes Park Renovation, 70th and Broadway Summer 2019
- 3. Gateway Park, 66th and Federal Summer 2019
- 4. Adams County Fair, Riverdale Regional Park August 2019
- 5. Stars and Stripes Event, Riverdale Regional Park July 3, 2019

What do the completed projects mean for residents?

Pelican Ponds and Gateway Park are two new locations that provide recreational opportunities for the community. Twin Lakes was a much-needed renovation of an existing park that provided water quality improvements to the lakes and improved the amenities offered by this well-loved park. The two events are important in creating a sense of community for Adams County residents.

New projects for 2020

Much of what we planned is currently on hold due to COVID-19. Some projects such as a renovation and addition of shade structures to Rotella Park will likely move forward.

Will completion on any of the 2020 projects impact residents? What should residents expect?

It is unclear given COVID-19 if projects such as the completion of a playground will have an impact, given that the playgrounds are currently closed.

Will your department have any resident engagement events or calls for comment? Please list below along with dates, times, and contact information if applicable.

We plan to do outreach for a couple of design and master plan projects. Given the COVID-19 situation, we have postponed the dates for public outreach.

Any additional success stories to share?

Due to COVID-19, we have seen a tremendous increase in park, trail, and open space usage as residents look for some sense of normalcy and release from the stress created by the ongoing pandemic and associated response. We are working hard to keep the parks safe and clean and have deployed our staff that usually manage events to assist with park maintenance due to the increase in use and need to reduce the contact our staff has with the public. Staff have responded very well and are doing an amazing job.

Need Adams County Parks and Open Space Information? Visit us at: www.adcogov.org/parks



Public Works

Successfully completed projects/programs this year. Please include location and completion date of each. Gravel Roads Program

- o Includes grading, dust control, gravel reclamation, and gravel road reconstruction for 1,680 lane miles of the Adams County rural road network.
- o More information available at: <u>adcogov.org/gravel-road-resurfacing-program.</u>

Street Paving Program – Assorted Locations

- o Applied new roadway overlay treatment at selected locations to improve safety and drivability of 1,445 lane miles in our paved road network.
- o More information available at: <u>adcogov.org/2019-street-paving-project.</u>

Street Seal Program – Assorted Locations

o Includes application of crack sealing and mastic materials to improve the comfort and longevity of our county's paved roads.

2019 Enhanced Street Sweeping Program

- o Sweep Miles: 2,938
- o Debris Disposed: 1,037 tons

Community Event Support

Up Event

- o The Public Works team supported ten local events over the past year including:
 - Dahlia Neighborhood Clean-Up **Event**
 - Berkeley Neighborhood Clean-
 - Strasburg Neighborhood Clean- Bike to Work Day Up Event
 - Adams County Fair
 - Bring Your Child to Work Day
- Transportation Girl Promoting Women in Transportation Careers
- Community Apprenticeship Fair
- Stars and Stripes Independence Day Celebration
- North Pole Party Gift Wrapping Event

What do the completed projects mean for resident's?

Public works projects are intended to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Adams County. We strive to provide superior engineering, maintenance, operations, and administrative services related to roads and drainage facilities.

Top five new projects for 2020. Please include location, start, and anticipated end date for each.

- York St. Phase I Widening SH 224 to E 78th Ave., Start June 2020, end December 2021
- SH 224 Pedestrian and Drainage Underpass West of York St. under SH 224 Start June 2020, end December 2021
- 2020 Street Paving Project Five areas in Unincorporated Adams County Start June 2020, end November 2020
- 2020 CDBG American with Disabilities Act Ramp Project Greenwood Blvd. -Start June 2020, end September 2020
- 2019 American with Disabilities Act and Miscellaneous Concrete Project Western Hills and Sherrelwood neighborhoods - Start March 2020, end September 2020

Will completion on any of the 2020 projects impact residents? What should residents expect?



Both pedestrian and vehicular traffic will be impacted while construction is in progress. Delays to be expected, including occasional detours.

Will your department have any resident engagement events or calls for comment? Please list below along with dates, times, and contact information if applicable.

Contractors are required to hold public meetings and advise residents of immediate impacts to their frontage with door hangars. Timing is dependent on actual start date and when a resident will be impacted. Residents in immediate vicinity of project can sign up for monthly status updates by contractors.

Any additional success stories to share?

The Public Works team has been hard at work on all essential functions throughout the COVID-19 Building Closure. The team has developed alternate work approaches to ensure that the team is observing proper social distancing protocols. We are committed to serving the residents of Adams County to the best of our ability through this time while also keeping our team as safe as possible.

Online resources for residents to connect with your department:

- adcogov.org/public-works
- <u>adamsinnovation.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=de46261567ce4d4b91042da3ob75cfe8</u>

Need Adams County Public Works Information? Visit us at: adcogov.org/public-works



Animal Shelter/Adoption Center

Top five successfully completed projects this year. Please include location and completion date of each.

- 1. Increased/expanded core services to include: (See detailed data in overview below)
 - Adoptions
 - Number of lost pets returned home
 - Number of animals vaccinated and microchipped
 - Number of volunteer and foster service hours
- 2. Completed operational design and moving plan for the new Riverdale Animal Shelter.
- 3. Held first offsite low-cost public vaccination and microchips clinics (in addition to the onsite clinics already offered at the shelter).
- 4. Hired a second full-time veterinarian to support high-quality medical care for growing number of pets being housed at the shelter.
- 5. Expanded "Everyday Enrichment" program to decrease stress and illness for shelter animals.

What do the completed projects mean for residents?

The animal shelter is responding to and meeting the growing demand for quality animal welfare services in Adams County by:

- Providing quality care and sheltering for lost, homeless, abandoned, abused, and neglected pets.
- Supporting pet health and public safety through low-cost pet vaccination and microchip clinics for pet owners in our communities.
- Increasing quality of life for residents by reuniting lost pets with their families, providing temporary sheltering for pet owners in crisis, supporting humane education for youth, and being a trusted place where residents can safely adopt pets.

Top five new projects for 2020. Please include location, start, and anticipated end date for each.

- 1. Relocation to the new Riverdale Animal Shelter facility in July Aug. 2020
 - o Planning for the Riverdale Animal Shelter started in 2016.
- 2. Enhancing and expanding existing services at the new Riverdale Animal Shelter
- 3. Increasing use of technology to better serve residents
- 4. Increasing healthy outcomes for community cats
- 5. Increasing outreach to underserved communities

Will completion on any of the 2020 projects impact residents? What should residents expect?

- The new Riverdale Animal Shelter facility will be located about 10 minutes northwest of the current location. Improvements will include:
 - o A safer and more accessible location for both people and pets
 - o Improved animal housing to enhance animal health, behavior, and adoptability
 - o An upgraded health clinic to treat ill or injured pets and perform spay/neuter surgeries
 - o Private counseling spaces for residents



- o More parking spaces for residents
- o Improved customer experience through separate adoption and intake lobbies and technology enhancements
- o A community room for humane education programs and other community events
- o Ability to serve more residents through increased low-cost vaccination clinics

Will your department have any resident engagement events or calls for comment? Please list below along with dates, times, and contact information if applicable.

None scheduled at this time due to COVID-19. Eventually, we will hold/resume:

- A grand opening event for the new Riverdale Animal Shelter
- Onsite tours and community events for educational and adoption purposes
- Public low-cost vaccination and microchip clinics

Online resources for residents to connect with your department:

- The Adams County Animal Shelter/Adoption Center Contact Info:
 - o Website: <u>animalshelter.adcogov.org</u>
 - o Phone: 720.523.PETS (7387)
 - o Email: <u>adcoshelter@adcogov.org</u>
- Animal shelter COVID-19 info: adcogov.org/pet-and-animal-resources
- Learn about the new Riverdale Animal Shelter: <u>animalshelter.adcogov.org/</u>
- Contact Animal Control in your area: <u>animalshelter.adcogov.org/animal-control</u>

Number of residents your department served in 2019.

• An estimated 10,000+ residents directly served. Shelter staff also respond to an average of 4,000+ phone calls per month.

Event or services provided

- Adoptions
- Lost and found pet support
- Pet Surrenders
- End-of-Life Services
- Dog licensing for residents of unincorporated Adams County
- Low-cost public vaccination and microchip clinics
- Impound services for the cities of Brighton, Commerce City, Federal Heights, Lochbuie, Northglenn, Thornton, the towns of Bennett and Lochbuie, and unincorporated Adams County to include:
 - o Stray pet, police, and court holds
 - o Support with abuse, neglect, and hoarding cases
 - o Emergency veterinary care
 - o Bite quarantines



- o Disposal services
- Emergency pet sheltering for residents, including seniors, impacted by homelessness, abuse, disaster, and/or hospitalization
- Tours and humane education programs
- Community event

Department COVID-19

Adams County Animal Shelter has maintained continuity of operations to include a no-contact process for essential services that include: Lost and Found support, Pet Surrenders and End-of-Life services, and sheltering and impound services for seven local municipalities as well as unincorporated Adams County.

- The shelter developed and launched "virtual" (no-contact) adoptions in mid-May 2020.
- The shelter also serves as a resource for residents in need of emergency pet housing should they become hospitalized due to COVID-19.

Animal shelter COVID-19 Info: adcogov.org/pet-and-animal-resources

Animal Shelter Overview

In 2019, the Adams County Animal Shelter/Adoption Center took in 6,488 animals and served another 2,494 animals during our low-cost community vaccination clinic, which means they served 8,982 animals in our community!

3,520 Adoptions

A 13% increase over the previous yearWe exceeded 3,000 total adoptions for the second straight year.

1,984 Returned Home

We reunited about 100 more lost pets with their families than the previous year.

2,494 Pets Vaccinated

We served 11% more owned pets during our monthly, low cost vaccination clinics.

- Adoption successes include:
 - o 105 Blue Collar Kitties were adopted.
 - o 100 Hikes for Hopefuls dogs found their forever homes.
 - o 506 animals who were placed in foster care were adopted.
 - o 93 animals went home during the annual Clear the Shelters event in partnership with NBC Universal and Telemundo.
- More than 3,100 pets received a microchip in 2019, increasing their chances of returning home if they are ever lost.
- Our save rate went from 89.2% to 89.9% last year.



- In 2019, volunteers gave 25,349 hours of service 6,000 more than in 2018. This is an increase for the fifth year in a row, highlighting the dedication of our amazing volunteers who help us provide quality care for animals and excellent service to our community.
- Our average monthly unique site views increased by 62% and we made it to more than 10,000 Facebook followers.

More Data and Statistics

- Adams County Animal Shelter/Adoption Center is an open-admissions shelter and follows socially
 conscious sheltering <u>principles</u>. This means we take in animals regardless of age, breed, health,
 and/or temperament, and place all healthy and behaviorally-sound animals. We do not euthanize
 for time or space and there is no set time limit for how long a pet can remain in our care while
 awaiting its forever home.
- We proudly report data on a monthly basis to <u>Shelter Animals Count</u>, a national database of sheltered dog and cat statistics by county to help provide facts and data-driven solutions to save animal lives
- Adams County Animal Shelter/Adoption Center partners with more than 40 rescue organizations, and numerous animal shelters along the Front Range to place animals with a variety of differing medical and behavior support needs. Together, we are making a difference.

The New Riverdale Animal Shelter

- The Adams County Animal Shelter will be moving to the newly constructed Riverdale Animal Shelter Facility in late summer-early fall 2020.
- Learn about the new Riverdale Animal Shelter: <u>animalshelter.adcogov.org/</u>



Online Resident Services

Eye on Adams

Ability to look up any building permit, land use case, or code compliance case.

Link: adamscounty.buildingeye.com/building

F-Permit Center

Launched in early 2017 and allows the submission and tracking of building permits online.

Link: permits.adcogov.org/citizenaccess/

Oil and Gas Information

Weekly report uploaded here each Friday on oil and gas activity and spill report.

Link: adcogov.org/oil-and-gas-information

Graffiti Removal

Report and schedule free graffiti removal.

Link: adcogov.org/graffiti-removal

Roads, Bridges, and Traffic

Additional information on how to contact the county regarding infrastructure and roads.

Link: <u>adcogov.org/contact-reporting-information</u>

Nextdoor

Connect with your neighbors and community.

Link: Available on iTunes or Google play

Human Services

Call: 720.523.2700

Website: adcogov.org/humanservices

COVID-19 Resources

Email: covidquestions@adcogov.org Website: adamscountycovid19.org



Adams County Contact Information

Community & Economic Development

Development Review 720.523.6200

Oil and Gas 720.523.6891

Building Permits 720.523.6825

Community Safety & Well-Being

Neighborhood Services 720.523.6877

Code Enforcement 720.523.6800

Graffiti 720.523.6565

Animal Services: 303.288.3294 or 303.288.3135

Parks, Open Space and Cultural Arts

General Information Line 303.637.800

Public Works

General Information Line 720.523.6875

Adams County Sherriff's Office

General Information Line 303.655.1850

Not finding the information you need? Visit Adams County online at: <u>adcogov.org</u>. Here you will find a one-stop shop with all county information as well as links for all your resident needs. Or call the County at: 303. 659.2121

