

## 2024 Community Spirit Award Nominations - Coming Soon!

Nominations for the 2024 Community Spirit Award will open next Thursday, August 8. Don't miss your opportunity to recognize businesses who are making outstanding contributions by supporting events, programs, or initiatives that benefit the community and its residents. Nominations will be open to Westminster residents and businesses are also welcome to self-nominate.

For Questions | ecodevo@westminsterco.gov | 303.658.2108



2023 Community Spirit Award Winners Small Business | Conexus Insurance Partners Large Business | Carrabba's Italian Grill

## **Small Business Shout Out**



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Did you know that our business community is filled with the "Best of the Best" and they have the awards and accolades to back it up? Check out and cheer on your fellow businesses below:

#### North Metro Small Business Development Center - Trailblazer Award

PA Agency, Inc.

#### 2024 Colorado Biz - Best of Colorado Awards

Best Dry Cleaner (Tie) - Dry Cleaning Station

Best Pet Groomer - People's Pups Grooming

Best Behavioral Mental Health Therapy - Ignite Counseling Colorado

Congrats to all of our winners!

If you receive an award or recognition for your business, we'd love to share your success! Send your information to Shelby Wood @ <u>SWood@WestminsterCO.gov</u>.

#### **Business Appreciation**

## **New Business Welcome**



5280 Windows | Chip Co Westminster | Jayden's Barber Shop Lala Massage | Mandy's Salon | SalonCentric #5120 Soori's Market | Ten Brothers Counseling | The Station Pickleball The Twisted Clipper | Vape Station Home Based Businesses 5280 Concierge Medicine & Consulting | Colorado Sales Tax Services, P.C. G26 Foundation | Knight and Starlight Publishing Land Bros Electric | Nourish by Nazly | Professional Cleaners

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## **Police Department**

## 📕 COMMUNITY ALERT: Burglaries 📕

The Westminster Police Department would like to inform you of a burglary trend happening across the metro area. This trend has recently impacted our community with multiple small business and home burglaries. The individuals committing these crimes are known to follow small business owners home from work and burglarize their homes while they are away. In some cases, these suspects will place trackers on victims' vehicles and/or monitor their homes with hidden surveillance cameras.

Tips to Protect Your Business & Home

Westminster Police Home Page | View Content Under 'Crime Trends & Safety Tips'

## **Upcoming Training**

#### **Small Business Development Center**

#### Access to Capital

Discover the types of capital options available and unlock insider tips for understanding how to find the best fit for your business

When: Wednesday, August 14 | 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Where: Virtual/Online





This course is a 9-week program designed to help business owners and future business owners who desire a focused education, accountability, networking and the tools to build a strategic business plan.

Start: September 3 | Length: 9-Weeks | Tuesday evenings, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. (Virtual)

Partial scholarships are available to qualifying Westminster businesses - email ecodevo@westminsterco.gov to learn more



# ChallengeHER®

#### **U.S. Small Business Administration**

#### **ChallengeHER**

ChallengeHER, and SBA co-sponsored national event is coming to Colorado Springs to share growth opportunities in government contracting with women-owned small businesses, as well as how to participate in the SBA's Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB) Federal Contract Program.

When: Thursday, August 22 | 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Where: Colorado Springs Marriott | 5580 Tech Center Dr., Colorado Springs, 80919

#### **Colorado Department of Revenue**

#### Tax Education Webinars

The CO Department of Revenue offers FREE tax education webinars on topics including

sales tax, special events, consumer use tax, wage withholdings, and more.

Upcoming:

Sales Tax Webinar | August 15 | 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Special Event Sales Tax Webinar | August 29 | 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

## SAGE Sustainable Business Program

#### SAGE Accelerator Grant:

The SAGE Accelerator Grant is still accepting applications and award funds will cover up to 75% of project costs, capped at \$5,000. Eligible projects include new HVAC and lighting upgrades, resources and cost saving initiatives, transportation/community and social well-being initiatives.







#### Xcel Energy Audits - Due August 31, 2024

If you have been meaning to do an energy audit, now is the time. Xcel Energy offers business



customers a suite of energy assessments designed to fit businesses of any size. To have an energy advisor contact you, complete an <u>Energy Assessment Match</u> questionnaire. Audits must be completed by August 31 and are scheduled on a first come, first serve basis.

#### New SAGE Advisor

Jamie Gott has recently joined Westminster's sustainability team to manage and act as the main advisor for the SAGE program. If you could like to connect with Jamie or to learn more about SAGE, please contact her below:

Jamie Gott | Sustainability Associate | 303.658.2981 | jgott@westminsterco.gov

## **Bidding Opportunities**

#### City of Westminster - Bid Opportunities and RFPs | BidNet Direct

City of Westminster open and closed solicitations are posted via the links below. Find exclusive open government bids, opportunities, and RFPs.

Westminster Bidding Opportunities

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