UNION SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD



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A Neighborhood Growing Together

During the day, the Union Square area hums with activity. Our business district thrives with corporate offices like Wells Fargo, local favorites like Kickin' Chicken, restaurants such as 240 Union and Westrail, and busy transit connections at the light rail station. There's a lot happening, as anyone who's driven along Union Boulevard during rush hour can tell!

But behind all the commotion lies the real heart of Union Square — a neighborhood full of life and opportunity. We're home to a mix of diverse people, housing options, three beautiful public parks (Wright Park, Union Ridge Park, and Union Square Park), two leading educational institutions: Red Rocks Community College and Warren Tech, and renowned St. Anthony's Hospital. Together, these assets make our neighborhood one of Lakewood's most dynamic and connected communities and an integral part of Lakewood's future.

We have so much to be proud of right here in the Union Square neighborhood. At the Union Square Neighborhood Association, we work to bridge these strengths by creating positive pathways for economic vibrancy and neighborhood prosperity.

At our recent meeting, we talked about the "power of the neighborhood" — how neighbors can contribute to the success of both residents and local businesses.

A few inspiring ideas emerged:

- Building stronger connections between the corridor's businesses and nearby residents in the Union Square Neighborhood through marketing assistance.
- Transforming unused parking areas into vibrant neighborhood gathering spaces.
- Creating a Community Trust or Neighborhood Fund that keeps neighborhood wealth in neighborhood hands. This would allow residents to decide how to invest in our shared future whether by supporting local projects, helping neighbors in need, or making our streets greener and stronger.



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These are big ideas, and our neighborhood association encourages Union Square neighbors to think big, too!

In the meantime, we're staying true to our sustainability goals. Neighbors have been hard at work keeping our parks clean through monthly litter pickups at Union Ridge Park and Union Square Park. And we're thrilled to announce that recycling at Green Mountain United Methodist Church is now available, thanks to the Union Square Neighborhood Association's efforts.

Let's keep the momentum going! Bring your ideas, your energy, and your neighbors — and help build the next chapter of Union Square's story.

Chantelle De La Cruz *Union Square Neighborhood*

→ Join us!

- Are you looking for ways to be active in your neighborhood?
- Do you have a great idea for neighborhood improvement projects?
- Have a neighborhood issue and need help?

We want to hear from you!

Email unionsquarenc@gmail.com

Litter Pickup:

<u>Saturday, October 18th at 10 AM</u> <u>@ Union Square Park</u>

Neighborhood Association Meeting:

<u>Tuesday, October 14th at 6:30 PM</u>
<u>@ Green Mountain United Methodist Church</u>

ABOUT ME

Hi! My name is Chantelle.

I am a 13 year homeowner in the Union Square Neighborhood and lifelong resident of the City of Lakewood.

I jumpstarted the neighborhood association to create a brighter neighborhood for a better world through community collaboration and sustainable practices.



Community Support

FIRE & POLICE

West Metro Fire Rescue
-Station #4-

CALL 911 if you have an emergency CALL 303.986.7300 for the Firehouse

Request a low-cost smoke or CO alarm

Home Safety & Wellness

Car Seat Checks

Lakewood Police Department

Call 911 if you have an emergency
Call 303-980-7300 for

24/7 non-emergency police dispatch Call 303.987.7891 for Victim Assistance

https://www.lakewood.org/Government/Depa rtments/Police

Report Houseless Camp/ Abandoned Vehicle/ Shopping Carts

Request Lakewood

https://www.lakewood.org/Government/
Departments/City-ManagersOffice/Communications/RequestLakewood-service-request-FAQ

-or-Contact us <u>unionsquarenc@gmail.com</u>

Transit Assistance

RTD FlexRide - Green Mountain CALL 303.299.6000 to book a ride

\$2.75 for a Standard 3-hour pass \$1.35 for a Discounted fare Youth 19 and under ride at no cost

https://www.rtd-denver.com/routesservices/other-services/flexride/flexrideservice-areas/green-mountain



Green Mountain United Methodist Church

12755 W Cedar Dr, Lakewood, CO 80228

www.gmumc.com

An open and inclusive church rooted in faith and community.



Inner Circle Bookkeeping
Jason: 720.341.8817

www.innercirclebookkeeping.com

Our neighborhood bookkeeper who helps keep things running smoothly.



Home2Suits

50 Van Gordon St, Lakewood, CO 80228 Click here for website

A modern extended-stay hotel supporting local professionals and community partners.



Ignazio's Kitchen

13041 W Alameda Pkwy, Lakewood, CO 80228 www.ignazioskitchen.com

A true community contributor, Ignazio's Kitchen & Pizza brings flavor, heart, and hometown spirit to our neighborhood

TRUSTED PARTNERS

Interested in becoming a Trusted Partner?

<u>Click here to learn more!</u>



UPCOMING EVENTS

Union Square Neighborhood Connect

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NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14TH & NOVEMBER 11TH @ 6:30 PM
GREEN MOUNTAIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CRAFTY CREATIONS - CRAFTS & GAMES

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH @ 6 PM

- FALL HARVEST CRAFTS -

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18TH @ 6 PM

- WINTER CRAFTS -

GREEN MOUNTAIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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LITTER LIFT Litter Pick-Up

Bring:
Water Bottle
Closed Toe
Shoes





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Get your Litter Lift on! Join the Union Square Neighborhood in our effort to clean up litter and keep our parks beautiful. Let's work together to make a positive impact on our community!

> Saturday, October 18th & November 15th 10 AM - 11:30 AM

> > **Union Square Park**

12200 W 2nd Pl, Lakewood, CO 80228

PETS THE CITY UNION SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD

PET MEETUP ALL PETS WELCOME!

Unwind in a social atmosphere with your beloved pet, Union Square Neighbors and their pet companions! ALL pets and humans are welcome.

Pets must be on a leash or in an enclosed habitat when not at the meetup. Please ensure your pet is up to date on their vaccinations.

BYO Beverages, Chairs & Pet Toys Water & Finger Food provided



UNION SQUARE PARK

12200 W 2nd Pl, Lakewood, CO 80228





LEARN MORE!

Neighborhood Matinee & Klaus (2019)

Join the Union Square Neighborhood this holiday season for a special screening of Klaus (2019), a story of how one act of kindness can transform a whole town. This free community event is for everyone to enjoy.



Saturday, November 22nd 10 AM - 12:15 PM

Location:

- BYO Food & Drink (no alcohol please)
- BYO Cushions & Blankets
- Water, Popcorn & Popsicles are provided
- Movie is rated PG



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Around the Corridor & City of Lakewood

FREE YARD WASTE RECYCLING

Saturdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Oct. 11 through Nov. 8

10/11 - The Bridge Church at Bear Creek

10/18 - Green Mountain Presbyterian Church

10/25 - Shepherd of the Hills Presbyterian Church

11/01 - Ray Ross Park

11/08 - Rocky Mountain College of Art + Design

Haunted Trail Adventure

@ Bear Creek Lake Park

Saturday, October 18TH @ 4 PM - 7 PM

BOOMAR

@ Belmar Shopping District

Saturday, October 25TH @ 12 PM - 3 PM

Halloween Carnival @

Green Mountain United Methodist Church Sunday, October 26TH @ 12 PM

Lunch & Chat: Non-Profit

Lakewood Economic Development

@ Lakewood Civic Center Center

Wednesday, November 5TH @ 12 - 1:30 PM

Downsize 2026

Practical Step to Your Next Chapter

@ Lakewood Cultural Center

Friday, November 21ST @ 10 AM - 1 PM



CRAFTY CREATIONS"HALLOWEEN CRAFTS"

- OCTOBER 3RD, 2025 -



UPCOMING NOVEMBER 13TH | 6 PM "FALL HARVEST CRAFTS"

GREEN MOUNTAIN
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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