

NEWSLETTER

UNION SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD

RESIDENT-LED



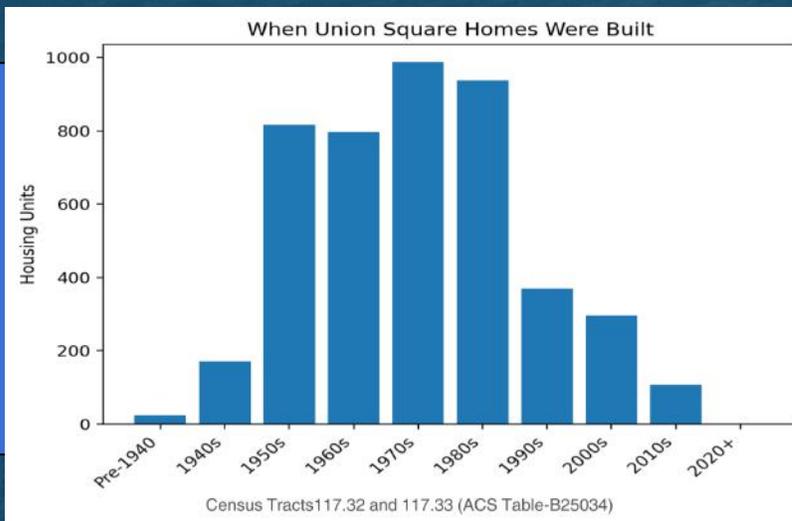
FUTURE-FOCUSED

FEBRUARY 2026

Renewal Begins at Home

The new year invites rejuvenation. Many of us set intentions for the months ahead by saving money, eating healthier, or trying something new. Often, these goals begin at home - in the spaces where we rest, recharge, and build our daily routines.

In Union Square, “home” takes many forms. Our neighborhood includes apartments, townhomes, condos, and single-family homes, each with its own rhythms and challenges. While our living situations may differ, we share common ground in our desire for stability, comfort, and homes that are affordable to live in - all shaped by shared infrastructure and an aging neighborhood that affects us all.



Looking at housing data from our census tracts reminds us that much of Union Square was built decades ago. These homes have supported generations of residents, and many are now at a point where renewed care, efficiency improvements, and thoughtful updates can make a real difference, not just for the buildings themselves, but for the people who live in them.

Recent power outages across our area made this especially clear. For many neighbors, outages affected not just convenience, but everyday necessities like heat, lighting, and refrigeration, a reminder of how much we rely on systems that often go unnoticed until they're disrupted.



Renewal Begins at Home

As we move into the year ahead, the Union Square Neighborhood Association recognizes both the strengths of our neighborhood and the challenges we face. We're focusing on those challenges by offering community-centered workshops on energy readiness and home resilience.

These sessions are designed to help neighbors better understand available options, reduce ongoing household costs, and feel more confident in how their homes function.

This work is about taking small, realistic steps that add up over time. When we invest in our homes, we're also investing in our neighbors and in a more resilient and comfortable Union Square.

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Join GoElectricColorado.org and neighborhood partners for a series of free, community-centered conversations about home energy. These sessions bring practical, grounded knowledge about energy systems and the incentives currently available to Union Square residents.

Homeowners - Renters - Business Owners - ALL are welcome!

WORKSHOPS

When: Wednesday, February 11th & 18th @ 5:30 PM - 7 PM
Where: Ed Prather Real Estate - Located on the 4th floor
- 274 Union Blvd #450, Lakewood, CO 80228 -
Cost: FREE! Small bites and water are provided

These Q&A sessions will explore

- ✓ Home Air Sealing and Insulation
- ✓ Electric HVAC and hot water systems
- ✓ How to prepare for power outages
- ✓ Learn about available rebates and assessments
- ✓ Ask questions and discuss what makes sense for you

RSVP TODAY!

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- How to better prepare for power outages
- Discuss electric HVAC & hot water systems
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UNION SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECT

GO ELECTRIC COLORADO

EDPRATHER.COM
REAL ESTATE

CLICK HERE TO RSVP! -or- **EMAIL:** unionsquarenc@gmail.com



Trusted Community Partners

The association wants to give a big shout-out to a couple of neighborhood businesses who've joined in supporting the Pantry Box: **Mile High Flood District (MHFD)** and **Ed Prather Real Estate & Associates**. Both are located right here in our neighborhood, and both do great work - from helping people find the home of their dreams to protecting our community from flood risk. More than that, they've shown real care for the people who live in Union Square, and we're beyond grateful.

Mile High Flood District (MHFD)

www.mhfd.org

Mile High Flood District played an integral role in collecting non-perishable food donations, organizing the entire drive in-house with their staff. The effort was a huge success, resulting in a wide range of essential non-perishable food items as well as personal hygiene products, resources that go a long way in supporting neighbors.



Ed Prather Real Estate

www.edprather.com

Ed Prather & team worked together to pack food bags for distribution ahead of the holidays. In total, eight bags were filled with essential items and shared with neighbors and local schools. Thank you to everyone involved for your generosity, kindness, and care for the neighborhood.



Neighborhood Pantry Box

Most Needed Donations:

Shelf-stable foods - 1-2 lbs. rice bags, pasta, beans, packet oatmeal, peanut butter and jelly

Basic hygiene items - soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and feminine products.

⚠️ Must be in original packaging ⚠️



Monthly Pantry boxes available!

Request here:

<https://forms.gle/syzkghH8c5u3B3K9A>

-or-

Email: unionsquarenc@gmail.com



Trusted Community Partners

Residents aren't the only ones who make our neighborhood succeed, the businesses and organizations that call Union Square home play an essential role as well. We extend a huge, heartfelt thank you to our Trusted Partners for their continued support, generosity, and commitment to the neighborhood.



Want to become a Trusted Partner?

*Local businesses and
organizations supporting
neighborhood initiatives*

Fill out our form
www.unionsquarenc.org/interest-form
 -or-
 Email:
unionsquarenc@gmail.com



Green Mountain United Methodist Church

12755 W Cedar Dr, Lakewood, CO 80228
www.gmumc.com

An inclusive neighborhood church rooted in faith and community.



Inner Circle Bookkeeping

Call or Text Jason: 720.341.8817
www.innercirclebookkeeping.com

Our neighborhood bookkeeper who helps keep things running smoothly.



Mile High Flood District

12575 W Bayaud Ave,
 Lakewood, CO 80228
www.mhfd.org

Mile High Flood District helps protect our community from flood mitigation through education, planning, and local infrastructure projects.



Ed Prather Real Estate

274 Union Blvd # 450, Lakewood, CO 80228
www.edprather.com

Ed Prather Real Estate helps neighbors buy and sell homes with expert care and is a community champion for stable, thriving neighborhoods.

DID YOU KNOW?

88% of Union Square is multi-unit or attached housing

- 64% | Apartments
- 24% | Townhomes, Duplexes and Condos
- 12% | Single-family homes

Upcoming Meetups - Union Square

Union Square Neighborhood Connect is a resident-led, renter-inclusive association. If you live here, you belong here!

Community participation is at the heart of what we do. From neighborhood meetups and educational workshops, to non-parishable food pantry donations, and shared decision-making at neighborhood meetings. There is something for everyone!

Join us online for our next
Neighborhood Meeting

Tuesday, February 3rd & March 3rd
6:30 PM | Online

Email: unionsquarenc@gmail.com
to receive the meeting link

CRAFTY CREATIONS

FEELING CRAFTY? JOIN US FOR CRAFT NIGHT!

Create Cardboard Flower Bouquets for your special someone!

This is a multigenerational hangout. Kids, parents, grandparents of all ages are welcome!

kiddos need an adult with them

Supplies provided - just bring your creativity and community spirit

Thursday, February 12th

6 PM - 7:15 PM

Green Mountain United Methodist Church
12755 W Cedar Dr, Lakewood, CO 80228



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NEIGHBORHOOD MATINEE



-Lilo & Stitch (2025)-

Join your neighbors for a cozy afternoon screening of the newest Lilo & Stitch movie! Come relax, laugh, and enjoy a heartwarming story about friendship, family, and ohana!



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

Saturday,
February 21st
3 PM - 5:15 PM
Green Mountain United
Methodist Church
12755 W Cedar Dr,
Lakewood, CO 80228



www.unionsquarenc.org

LITTER LIFT

Litter Pick-Up

Bring:

Water Bottle

Closed Toe Shoes

Hat



www.unionsquarenc.org

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,
February 28th & March 28th
10 AM - 11:15 AM

Union Square Park

12200 W 2nd Pl, Lakewood, CO 80228

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Around the Corridor & City of Lakewood



Home composting made easy and affordable for Lakewood residents.

Sign up today for only \$5/month!

* Registration required to participate

Union Square Drop-Off Location
Quail Street Recycling Center

[Click here to sign up!](#)



Applications for the Lakewood Possibilities Fund are open!

Do you or someone you know in Lakewood want to join art, park, or recreation programs but financial barriers are getting in the way?

Lakewood residents that qualify can receive up to \$300 scholarship assistance per family member annually.

[Click here to apply!](#)

#ShopLakewood

Support Local Businesses

Ongoing & Throughout The City

Heat Pump Informational Night

Thursday, February 5th | 5:00–7:30 PM

Lakewood Cultural Center

470 S. Allison Pkwy, Lakewood, CO 80226

Self-Defense For Teens

Wednesday, February 18th | 4–7 PM

Green Mountain Recreation Center

13198 W Green Mountain Dr,

Lakewood, CO 80227

West Metro Fire Department

Community Meeting

Tuesday, February 24th | 6:00–7:30 PM

West Metro Training Center

3535 S. Kipling, Lakewood, CO 80226

Lunch & Chats:

Minorities In Business

Tuesday, March 10th | 6:00–7:30 PM

Lakewood Community Resources

480 S Allison Pkwy, Lakewood, CO 80226

Neighborhood Resources

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/Departments/Police>

REPORT ABANDONED VEHICLES AND SHOPPING CARTS

Request Lakewood

<https://www.lakewood.org/Government/Departments/City-Managers-Office/Communications/Request-Lakewood-service-request-FAQ>

-or-

Contact Us

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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/routes-services/other-services/flexride/flexride-service-areas/green-mountain>

[Click here for more resources!](#)

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FACEBOOK

Union Square
Neighborhood Connect Page

Union Square Corridor
Businesses & Neighbors Page

NEIGHBORHOOD CALENDAR

Neighborhood Meetups

CITY INFORMATION

City of Lakewood Website

Contact City Council



ABOUT ME

Hi! My name is Chantelle.

I've called Union Square home for 13 years and am a lifelong resident of the City of Lakewood.

I launched this resident-led association to bring neighbors together around shared goals for a more connected and sustainable community.

I'd love to hear from you!
Email me - unionsquarenc@gmail.com