

# JOIN A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION!

## LEARN ABOUT SAFE OUTDOOR SPACES TO SUPPORT OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS

In these rapidly changing times, more people are without housing due to COVID-19 impacts, job layoffs, evictions, and other pre-COVID challenges. Unhoused people are finding it difficult to locate accessible, housing and shelter options. To meet this growing need, Denver's neighbors and service organizations are looking to offer a full spectrum of housing and sheltering options in neighborhoods across the city. In December, the Colorado Village Collaborative, and partners launched Denver's first two Safe Outdoor Spaces at Denver Community Church and First Baptist Church. These sites have successfully operated in Capitol Hill for the last 3+ months, and now an effort is underway to launch a 50-person Safe Outdoor Space in the parking lot of the historic Park Hill United Methodist Church. This project, planned to run from June 1-December 31, is a joint venture between Colorado Village Collaborative, Park Hill United Methodist Church, and Temple Micah.



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## LEARN MORE

### JOIN US IN PERSON FOR A TOUR OF A SAFE OUTDOOR SPACE:

**Saturday, May 1 from 10-11:30a**  
1595 N. Pearl St. Denver, CO 80203

### JOIN US VIRTUALLY AT ONE OF THREE COMMUNITY INFORMATION MEETINGS:

**Monday, April 19, 7-8:30p**  
Zoom Webinar ID: 837 0578 6697  
Dial In: +1 253 215 8782

**Thursday, May 13, 7-8:30p**  
Zoom Webinar ID: 880 2814 6600  
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**Saturday, May 15th from 10-11:30a**  
Zoom Webinar ID: 880 5896 9887  
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### EACH CONVERSATION WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN, LISTEN AND DISCUSS:

- Services Provided
- Site Safety and Case Management
- Good Neighbor Agreements
- Volunteer and Neighbor Support
- Eligible Residents
- Your Feedback, Questions and Concerns



## SUPPORT

Colorado Village Collaborative's Safe Outdoor Space efforts are supported by Denver's Mayor and several members of Denver City Council. Denver's Inter Neighborhood Cooperation recently awarded vbv with a 2021 Neighborhood Star Award for its positive impact and engagement regarding Safe Outdoor Spaces.

**LET'S CREATE SAFE OUTDOOR SPACES TOGETHER FOR OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS!**

FOR MORE  
INFORMATION

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# WHAT IS A TEMPORARY SAFE OUTDOOR SPACE?



Safe Outdoor Space is a temporary, outdoor, sheltering model that is staffed 24 hours a day and provides necessary resources, services, and stability to our unhoused neighbors in a safe, managed environment.

The Colorado Village Collaborative and partners are creating Temporary Safe Outdoor Spaces during the COVID-19 pandemic and recovery period to:

1. Mitigate the impacts of COVID-19
2. Provide basic safety and better connect people who are unhoused with healthcare, case management, and other housing resources
3. Reduce the impact of unsanctioned camping across the city.

## LOOKING FOR SAFER SHELTERING?

The Safe Outdoor Space at Park Hill United Methodist Church will operate from June 1-December 31, 2021. This SOS will have a capacity to serve 50 people and will welcome couples, singles, pet owners, LGBTQ+ people, people with disabilities, and more.

Temporary Safe Outdoor Spaces are staffed and accessible 24 hours per day. Residents will be required sign a use agreement and uphold basic responsibilities. Essential resources and services will be provided to all residents of the SOS. No guests will be permitted.

### RESOURCES

- Bathrooms
- Hand Sinks
- Trash
- Food/Meals
- Drinking Water
- Laundry
- Showers
- Warming/Cooling Tents
- Electricity
- Internet

### SERVICES

- Daily Wellness Screenings
- COVID Testing Access
- COVID Vaccine Access
- Intake Assessments
- De-escalation/Conflict Resolution
- Outreach Services
- Mental Health Services
- Housing Navigation
- Employment Navigation
- Benefit Navigation

## RESIDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **Uphold Basic Guidelines** while on site and in the neighborhood:
  - No Violence
  - No Weapons
  - No Drugs or Alcohol
  - No Trading or Selling substances
  - No Theft
  - No Fires
  - No Disruptive Behavior - Obey quiet hours from 10 pm-8 am
  - No Discriminatory/Oppressive Behavior
  - Promote peace and wellbeing for all guests
- **Complete intake form with Site Manager** upon moving into the SOS.
- **Interact with fellow Villagers, Staff and Volunteers** in positive, responsible and courteous ways (a.k.a. treat others how you want to be treated).
- **Discuss housing plans and other resources** with outreach workers
- **Be a Good Neighbor** and treat private property, schools, children, and families with respect.
- **Practice Social Distancing**, hand washing, wear a mask in communal spaces, and maintain 6ft of distance between self and others
- **Agree to leave SOS and receive medical treatment** if displaying symptoms
- **Keep space clean** - All belongings must fit within one parking space, no loose trash/debris
- **Keep permitted pets on a leash and clean up** after pets
- **Report violations** of agreements to staff
- **Address conflict nonviolently**, staff is available to assist with conflict resolution.
- **Agree to leave SOS once SOS closes** at the conclusion it's lease and permit.

