



City and County of Broomfield Tour - Leading with Co-Creation and Partnership to Build Community

Broomfield is a mid-sized suburb located midway between Boulder and Denver. Since 2020, building relational equity through co-creation and strategic partnerships has resulted in unique and deeply impactful arts and history experiences in Broomfield. Through community-centric leadership, in 2025, Broomfield became [Sister Cities with the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes](#), a sovereign nation headquartered near Concho, Oklahoma. Other partnership work has included a project that elevated elided and underrepresented individuals in the community called [Broomfield Out Loud](#).

This tour will explore the questions; What does it mean to be community driven? How can museums, municipalities, historic sites, libraries and programmers center equity and weave community voices into all aspects of operations? How does mission and vision drive positive outcomes for community?

Stops on this tour will include the new murals created by artist Brent Learned (Arapaho) at 120th and 287 in Broomfield, the historic area near the murals, the Broomfield Veterans Museum, and the Brunner House and Gardens, a historic property in Broomfield. Tour guide will be David Allison, History and Museum Supervisor for the City and County of Broomfield, with a special talk from Fred Mosqueda, the Language and Culture Coordinator for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes.

Agenda

10:30 am – Depart the Westin Westminster, CO

10:45 am – Arrive City and County of Broomfield, CO

- Intersection of 120 and 287 Native American artist mural tour and historic city center and overview of first woman run factory (and dairy commissioner for the state)
- Visit the veteran’s museum.
- Visit the depot museum.
- Native American leader’s presentation about power of partnerships at historic home in the community
- **Lunch on your own downtown**

3:15 pm – Depart Broomfield and return to the Westin.



City of Arvada, CO - Community Development and Placemaking Tour

Arvada is a first-ring suburb northwest of Denver that has transformed underutilized commercial corridors and an aging historic downtown into vibrant, people-centered destinations. Through phased reinvestment and strategic partnerships, the city has reimagined vacant strip centers, oversized parking lots, and historic streets to support economic vitality and community life.

Key questions we will explore include: What steps can be taken to transform underperforming corridors into walkable, mixed-use environments? How can placemaking and temporary interventions catalyze long-term change? And how can historic downtowns evolve to meet contemporary needs while honoring their identity?

Stops on this tour will include the Ralston Creek corridor, where participants will learn about Arvada Urban Renewal Authority–led redevelopment efforts and visit newly completed projects such as Garrison Garden Paseo, Caroline Ralston Creek, Shops at Ralston Creek, and the Arvada Beer Garden. The tour will continue to Olde Town Arvada to explore transit-oriented development, façade improvement programs, streetscape investments, and the recent creation of a Common Consumption area. Participants will also have time for self-guided exploration of Olde Town’s key historic and cultural assets.

Agenda (*Tour a recently transformed suburban corridor and historic downtown while learning about strategies used to increase vibrancy across Arvada.*)

10:30 am – Depart the Westin Westminster, CO

11:00 am – Arrive at Ralston Creek (Walmart parking lot: 9400 Ralston Rd)

- Overview of suburban redevelopment efforts with Arvada Urban Renewal Authority highlighting strategies that are transforming vacant strip centers and underutilized parking lots into vibrant mixed-use destinations. Discussion will include project phasing, redevelopment goals, and the long-term vision for the corridor.
- Walking tour of key components including the Garrison Garden Paseo, Caroline, Shops at Ralston Creek, and Arvada Beer Garden

12:00pm – Lunch at Arvada Beer Garden (9258 58th Pl, Arvada, CO 80002) on your own

1:00 pm – Depart for Olde Town (Visitor’s Center: 7305 Grandview Ave, Arvada, CO 80002)

1:10 pm to 1:30 pm – Olde Town and New Town Orientation

- Discussion of different principles guiding historic downtown transformation including transit-oriented development, facade grants, and streetscape improvements

1:30 to 2:15 p.m. Olde Town Evolution & Community Impact

- Explore placemaking strategies like street closures and a common consumption area and discuss future opportunities that leverage economic development partnerships.
- Hear from different community perspectives.
- History, data on transformation (vacancy etc.)



- Next steps: continued commitment to the Strategic Reinvestment Plan, tourism grant, leveraging historic assets.

2:15-3:15

- Self-exploration- top ten historical assets

3:15 pm – Depart

Aurora Unhoused Regional Navigation Center

Utilizing an approach to homelessness resolution developed through a public-private partnership between Aurora and the facility’s nonprofit operator, [Advance Pathways](#), the campus employs a unique, tiered system to provide shelter to people experiencing homelessness in Aurora and across the region. The multiple tiers provide incentives to participants to work with service providers, make progress on critical life goals and achieve the maximum amount of self-sufficiency possible.

Agenda

10:30 – Depart the Westin in Westminster, CO

11:00 am – Arrive Aurora, meet in the theater room, and explain the facility.

Noon - Reconvene in the facility for questions.

12:45 pm Return to transportation to travel to Adams County

1:30 pm – 2:15 pm Arrive Adams County HSC and lunch on your own at the Adams Café

- Culinary arts presentation until 3 pm

3:15 pm – Return to the Westin

Adams County Tour - Pete Mirelez Human Services Center Tour

Innovation, Prevention, and Partnership: Building a Connected Human Services System

Located in the heart of Adams County, the *Pete Mirelez Human Services Center* was intentionally designed to create a welcoming, integrated environment where residents can access multiple services in one place. Through strategic partnerships, innovative prevention programs, and co-located community partners, Adams County Human Services is working to remove barriers and create seamless pathways for individuals and families seeking support.

This tour will highlight how Adams County is leveraging partnerships, data-driven tools, and trauma-informed practices to strengthen community outcomes. Participants will learn how co-location and collaborative relationships allow staff and community organizations to provide warm handoffs, improve service navigation, and connect residents to the right resources at the right time.



Attendees will hear from program leaders and partners about several innovative initiatives underway at the Human Services Center. Presentations will include the **MyFriendBen partnership**, a benefits screening and resource tool that helps residents quickly identify supports they may qualify for; an overview of **Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI®)** and how trauma-informed approaches guide interactions with families; and **innovative prevention programs** designed to stabilize families earlier and reduce crisis intervention. The tour will also highlight the **interconnected community partner space**, which allows organizations to work alongside county staff to provide coordinated services and immediate referrals.

Through this experience, participants will explore how intentional facility design, cross-sector partnerships, and prevention-focused strategies can transform how human services are delivered in local communities.

Tour Presenters: *Eddie Valdez*, Division Director- Operations & Community Connections, Adams County Human Services; *Samantha Garduno* – Community Engagement & Presence Supervisor, Adams County Human Services; *KP Longton* – Learning & Development Coordinator, Adams County Human Services; *Danielle Brito* – Child Welfare Manager- Prevention, Adams County Human Services

Agenda

10:30 am – Depart the Westin Westminster, CO

11:00 am – Arrive at the Adams County Pete Mirelez Human Services Center

11:15 am - Welcome and facility overview – Eddie Valdez

- Human Services Center facility tour

12:15 pm - Lunch in the Adams Café- Hispanic Restaurant Association on your own

1:30 pm - Human Services Presentations

- MyFriendBen partnership presentation – Samantha Garduno
- Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI®) overview – KP Longton
- Innovative prevention programs – Danielle Brito
- Interconnected community partner space and warm handoff model – Eddie Valdez
- Questions and discussion

3:15 pm – Depart Adams County Human Services Center