

FIRESTONE VOICE

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Town of Firestone MAYOR'S REPORT

This time of year is always exciting for the Town of Firestone as we've settled into Fall and the Winter holidays are just around the corner. One of my favorite Town traditions is the Santa Cops program. There is

information included in this issue of the Voice about how you can get involved in this special program.

On Sept. 12, I had the pleasure of joining our police chief, David L. Montgomery, the Board of Trustees, community members and several partner organizations for a groundbreaking ceremony at the site of the new police station. We look forward to watching this important project take shape, and we are eternally grateful to everyone involved for their ongoing commitment to the safety and security of our community.

In other news, the McClure Avenue Widening Project from First Street to just east of Adams Way is underway, and remains on track for completion this Fall. Thank you for being considerate and slowing down for the men and women working on these improvements as you drive in the area.

The Town of Firestone has hired Slavin Management Consultants to assist the Board of Trustees in a conducting a search for the successful placement of a permanent Town Manager. A search was planned in advance of the hiring of interim Town Manager A.J. Krieger. Consideration will be given to Krieger as a semi-finalist in the selection process, if he elects to participate.

I wish you and your families health and happiness as we transition into Fall. As always, I can be reached at bsindelar@firestoneco.gov and appreciate your ideas and input.

Looking ahead, we have a variety of fun and festive annual events to bring the community together.

We hope you'll join us for:

FIRESTONE ART & MUSIC FESTIVAL

October 6 | 1 to 4 p.m.

Carbon Valley Regional Library
7 Park Ave.

18TH ANNUAL FIRESTONE POLICE DEPARTMENT HALLOWEEN SAFE NIGHT

Friday, October 26 | 5 to 8 p.m.

Firestone Regional Sports Complex
6850 Tilbury Ave.

Speaking of Halloween, did you know that Firestone was ranked the top town in Colorado for trick-or-treating by USA Today in 2017, citing a 29 percent population under 14 and an average Halloween night temperature of 49 degrees? We wish all of you a safe and happy Halloween, and look forward to seeing your superheroes, princesses and spooky costumes on the streets of Firestone on Oct. 31!

8TH ANNUAL CARBON VALLEY HOLIDAY FESTIVAL

Saturday, December 1 | 11 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Multiple locations, beginning at the Carbon Valley Regional Library

The Carbon Valley Holiday Festival is a collaborative effort between Firestone, Frederick and Dacono to host a full day of holiday activities in the Carbon Valley.

Bobbi Sindelar, Mayor

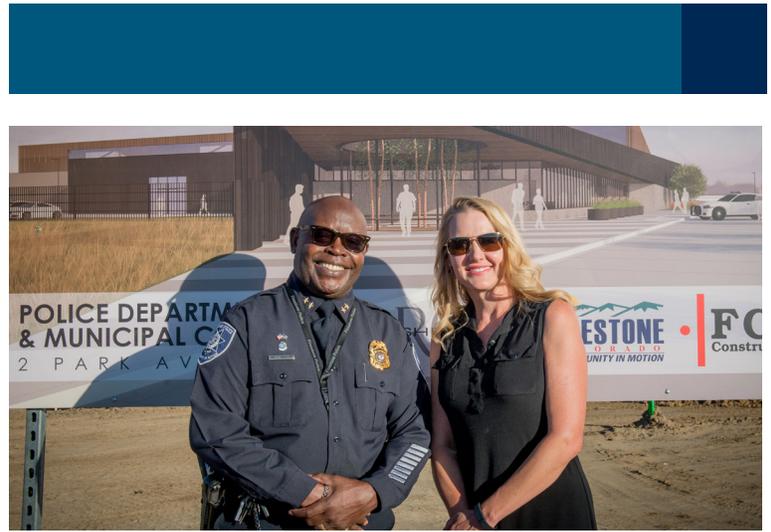
SPOTLIGHT: Town of Firestone Breaks Ground on New Police Station

Last month, Mayor Bobbi Sindelar and Chief of Police, David L. Montgomery, welcomed community members and dignitaries to a groundbreaking ceremony at the future site of the Firestone Police Department Headquarters.

Located on the southeast corner of Colorado Blvd. and Sable Ave. in Firestone's Central Park, the new police station will be designed to meet the community's current and future public safety needs.

"This moment has been a long time coming," said Chief David L. Montgomery. "Thank you to the community, the State of Colorado, our Board of Trustees and everyone else who has been involved in the long and winding process of making our need for a modern police facility a reality. The Town of Firestone is committed to public safety, and the new police station is a physical manifestation of that commitment."

A much-needed courtroom, records area, and hazardous and biological materials storage area will also be included at the new facility. The energy efficient building will help reduce operating costs, and current projections estimate an additional \$50,000 of annual savings by eliminating the need for the Town to lease other office space.



As Firestone continues to grow, so will the police department. To provide the highest level of public safety, the new police facility will be built with growth in mind. By 2028, the Department is expected to have nearly 60 employees, which is double the size of its current staff size, with a projected 75 employees by 2038. The new police station is designed and sized to meet the community's needs for the next 20 years, and the site will allow for future expansion, as needed.

In November 2017, Town of Firestone residents voted by a 2-to-1 margin in favor of funding the construction of the new police station through a sales and use tax increase. The new police station is expected to open in the Fall of 2019.

FIRESTONE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE 2018

Firestone Art & Music Festival

Saturday, October 6 | 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Carbon Valley Regional Library, 7 Park Ave.



The Firestone Art and Music Show will feature local artists from Firestone, Frederick, Dacono and Mead. The event is a great time to meet artists, listen to live music, take part in children's activities and a community art project, enjoy refreshments and take part in this special event.

Refreshments will be served compliments of the Firestone Cultural Committee.



18th Annual Firestone Police Department Halloween Safe Night

Friday, October 26 | 5p.m. to 8 p.m.

Regional Sports Complex 6850 Tilbury Ave

Every ghost and goblin will enjoy Halloween in a safe environment with the Firestone Police Department. This event includes carnival style games to challenge every age, a trackless train for fun rides, inflatables, food truck, safety handouts and a goody bag for attendees.



Carbon Valley Santa Cops

The Carbon Valley Santa Cops program is an annual program of the Firestone, Frederick and Dacono Police Departments to provide a gift, warm winter clothing and necessities to children and families in need during the holiday season.

Referrals Due: November 15

Shopping: December 5

Wrapping: December 8

Families Meet Santa: December 9

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- **Nominate a Family:** If you're aware of a family in need, please contact the Firestone Police Department for a nomination form.
- **Give a Gift:** Purchase an unwrapped child's toy/clothing for ages birth to 16 years and drop it off at the Firestone Police Department.
- **Host a Drive:** Host a drive at your business or organization to collect toys, hats and gloves, school supplies and more.
- **Donate:** Make a contribution by cash or check. Mail your donation to: [Firestone Police Department, P.O. Box 100, Firestone, CO 80520](#).
- **Sponsor a Family:** Contact the Firestone Police Department by calling 303-833-0811 for more details on families who need a sponsor.
- **Sharing Tree:** Pick a special ornament from the Town Hall Holiday tree and purchase a gift.
- **Shoppers:** We need volunteer shoppers willing to help select gifts for children.
- **Gift Wrapping & Sorting:** Help wrap and sort gifts. Volunteers will need to submit the Town of Firestone volunteer application.

8th Annual Carbon Valley Holiday Festival

Saturday, December 1 | 11 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Santa Saturday: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Carbon Valley Regional Library

Firestone: 12-4 p.m.
Coal Ridge Middle School, 6201 Booth Drive

Dacono: 4-6 p.m.
Dacono City Hall, 512 Cherry St.

Frederick: 6-8 p.m.
Festival of Lights at Crist Park, 105 Fifth St.

SNOW REMOVAL IN FIRESTONE

Living in Colorado means snow, ice and freezing temperatures. The Town of Firestone recognizes the importance of snow removal for safe passage of emergency vehicles and to facilitate safe traffic flow for motorists in the community.

The Town's snow removal plan outlines the procedures used for snow removal operations. Streets are plowed according to this plan to ensure the best time management, resources, equipment and manpower are utilized during a storm.

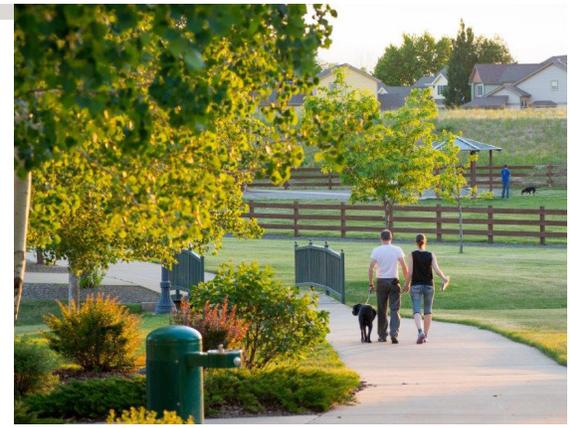
The Firestone Public Works snow plow team will work efficiently to clear roadways of snow for safe passage. If you meet a snow plow on the roads, please use caution and follow these simple tips.

- Maintain a safe distance between your vehicle and the plow.
- Refrain from passing any snow plow until the plow vehicle stops or turns. If you do decide to pass, make sure there is a clear path to do so.
- Avoid driving into a snow spray cloud that is created by the plow as this may cause a total "white out" of zero visibility to the driver.

More information is available at the following link:
www.firestoneco.gov/190/Snow-Removal

Parks, Trails and Open Space Update

from the Community Resources
and Public Works Departments



The Town's Community Resources and Public Works teams focus on three key initiatives to protect and enhance the parks, trails, and open spaces that make Firestone a beautiful place to live, work and play.

THE THREE AREAS ARE:

1. Soil Maintenance and Enhancement through fertilization and aeration
2. Water Management and Conservation through expansion and updates to the Town's irrigation systems, and Native Grass Conversion
3. Sustainability based on smart planning as new parks, trails and open spaces are constructed, as well as selecting existing areas to convert to native grasses that use less water

The Town is moving forward with the next phase of meeting our goals of water management and conservation through a Native Grass Conversion in two of our existing parks. The areas that were identified as optimal, are areas not being used by the community, storm detention areas, sloped or grading areas, and areas where native grass will add to the aesthetics of the parks. In addition to water conservation, native seeding assists with stabilization by reducing erosion. This reduces the spread of non-native and invasive plants in these areas.

This is a year-round process, and you will begin to see progress on the following steps as early as next Spring:

- Turf Grass Removal from identified areas with an herbicide application
- Removal of treated turf
- Native seed mixture with hydroseed application
- Visual evidence of plant growth

GET CONNECTED

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Firestone, CO 80520
Phone: 303-833-3291

Community Development
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Firestone, CO 80504
Hours: Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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TOWN MEETINGS

Board of Trustees

Firestone Town Hall
7 p.m.
• October 10
• October 17 *Work Session*
• October 24
• November 7
• November 14 *Work Session*
• November 21
• December 12
• December 19 *Work Session*

Municipal Court

Firestone Town Hall
8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
• October 19
• November 16
• December 14

Planning & Zoning Commission

Firestone Town Hall
7 p.m.
• October 4
• October 18
• November 1
• November 15
• December 6
• December 20

Please check the Town's website to confirm all times and locations, as they are subject to change.