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PARKER QUICK FACTS

- · Officially founded in 1864
- Incorporated as a municipality in 1981
- Located 20 miles southeast of downtown Denver and 22 miles from Denver International Airport
- Elevation of 5,900 feet
- Population of 68,485 and area of 22.4 square miles
- More than 58% of residents possess a Bachelor's Degree or higher
- Median household income of \$131,505
- Douglas County School
 District RE 1 is ranked as
 one of the state's highest performing school districts
- Recreation amenities include 41 miles of trails, 398 acres of Town-owned and proposed parkland, 1,144 acres of public open space and two major facilities
- Has a strong arts scene featuring a newly emerging cultural district anchored by the Parker, Arts Culture and Events (PACE) Center
- Ranked as the No. 2 Place to Live in Colorado in 2025 by U.S. News and World Report
- Ranked as the No. 2 Best Place to Live in America in 2020 by Money.com (population over 25,000)

Learn more about Parker at ParkerCO.gov/AboutUs.

COMMUNITY

Parker is a community where the wild spirit of the West meets the heritage and charm of a small town. Our Town has a lot to offer residents and visitors alike. From a charming historic downtown, to an expansive parks and trails system, to a variety of outstanding restaurants and cafes, you will soon realize that there is something for everyone. Simply put, if you love Colorado, you're going to love Parker!

ORGANIZATION

Parker is a home-rule municipality governed by a Council-Manager form of government. Citizens elect six at-large Councilmembers and a Mayor, who serve staggered, fouryear terms, and are limited to four terms.

The six-member Town Council appoints the Town Manager, who heads the executive branch of the government, implements Town Council directives and policies and the administrative and operational functions through the department directors. The Town Manager appoints department directors, except for the Municipal Court Judge and the Town Attorney, who are appointed by the Town Council. The Town Council has been consistently supportive of and is vested in its employees.

Here are some additional key facts about our organization:

- Services provided to residents include Public Safety (Police, Building Inspections), Public Works, Arts, Parks and Recreation, Community Development and Stormwater Utilities
- General government activities include administration, human resources, legal, finance, community development services, and municipal court
- Services provided by separate districts include Water and Sanitation, Fire Rescue, Library and Schools
- Total FY 2025 budget appropriations of \$211.5 million
- Staff of 350 full-time and nearly 600 part-time and seasonal employees

VISION

The Town of Parker's vision is to be the preeminent destination community of the Denver Metro area for innovative services with a hometown feel. We will be an area leader in economic and community development, and strive to be at the forefront for services, civic engagement, and quality of life.

MISSION

The mission of the Town of Parker is to enrich the lives of residents by providing exceptional services, engaging community resources, and furthering an authentic hometown feel. We promote transparent governing, support sustainable development, and foster a strong, local economy.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- Support an Active Community
- Foster Community Creativity and Engagement
- Enhance Economic Vitality
- Promote a Safe and Healthy Community
- Innovate with Collaborative Governance
- Develop a Visionary Community Through Balanced Growth

CORE VALUES

The Town of Parker operates under four Core Values that allow for the development of a strong internal culture and strategic visioning throughout the organization:

- Teamwork
- · Commitment to Quality Service
- Integrity
- Innovation

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

The Town of Parker offers a competitive salary commensurate with qualifications and experience and a comprehensive benefits package for full-time employees. For more information, visit ParkerCO.gov/EmployeeBenefits.