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# The Lafayette Connection

*Be a Part of It...* COMMUNITY LIFE | HEALTHY LIFESTYLES | SUSTAINABLE LIVING



The Lafayette Connection encourages residents to **BE A PART OF IT**—engaged and informed about COMMUNITY LIFE, HEALTHY LIFESTYLES, and SUSTAINABLE LIVING in Lafayette. The Lafayette Connection is published three times a year, connecting you with your community.



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## ► The new Activate Lafayette Mobile App is here!

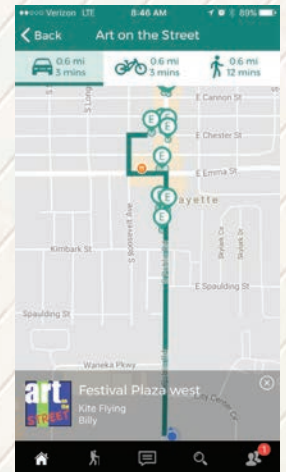
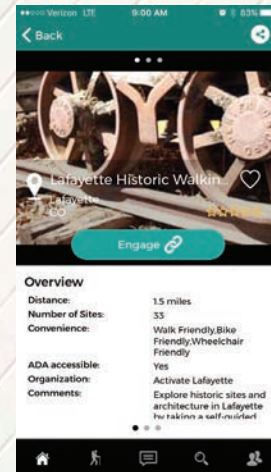
The new Activate Lafayette mobile app puts placemaking and interactive experiences at your fingertips! Engage with community amenities, learn about local history and art installations, check-in at points of interest, get active on trails and walking tours, and share with friends.

Interact with:

- Waneka Lake Walking Tour
- Walk and Wheel Bike Route
- Lafayette Historic Walking Tour
- Lafayette Historic Landmark Tour
- Art on the Street Tour
- Permanent Art Collection Tour
- Park overviews and amenities
- Map biking/walking routes to any location in town

### Download Contest

Search "Activate Lafayette" in the Apple or Google Play store and download the app powered by GoStrive. The first 50 downloads and friend requests in November will win an Activate Lafayette sport bag! Learn more about the app and how to enter the contest at [cityoflafayette.com/Activate](http://cityoflafayette.com/Activate).



## *Be a Part of It...*

### ► Choose the City News That's Important to You

Stay informed with what's happening in your community and receive the news that's important to you. Sign up to receive texts and/or emails for the specific information you choose to follow.

Options include Emergency Alerts, City News, Events, specific Department News, Meeting Notices/Agendas, and more. Go to [cityoflafayette.com/NotifyMe](http://cityoflafayette.com/NotifyMe) and select the items of your choice.



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## Message from the Mayor

As I write this message, ballots are being mailed to voters. By the time you receive this newsletter you will have elected four City Councilors from a field of 14 candidates. What an amazing demonstration of citizen engagement. It's exciting to see so many residents committed to serving and ensuring the betterment of our community.

We're all aware of the widespread struggles that have been occurring between municipalities and the oil and gas industry in Colorado. Lafayette has not been spared these challenges. Your city leadership continues to hold the health, safety and protection of residents in these matters as our highest priority. We've gone to court, enacted bans and moratoriums, collaborated with neighboring communities, hired special counsel, and proposed increased setbacks and flowline mapping regulations. In the event we receive a drilling application for property within the City of Lafayette, we will actively defend the Climate Bill of Rights. We're arming ourselves with as many tools as possible to protect our homes, schools, and hospitals from oil and gas operations. Heavy industrial activity of any kind has no place in our neighborhoods. Stay up to date on these activities by visiting [cityoflafayette.com/OilAndGas](http://cityoflafayette.com/OilAndGas) and subscribing to "City News" at [cityoflafayette.com/NotifyMe](http://cityoflafayette.com/NotifyMe). If you want to learn more about the impact of oil and gas in Colorado and in your neighborhood, check out [oilandgasthreatmap.com](http://oilandgasthreatmap.com).

As we see the devastating impacts of climate change with more intense weather events and a year-round wildfire season, we know that it is up to us as a community to become as resilient and sustainable as possible. Lafayette currently has one of the highest installed solar per capita rates in the country—157 watts/person. To be considered a leader in the industry, a threshold of 99 watts/person must be exceeded. Other sustainability initiatives we're working on are; setting goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, reducing barriers and lowering costs for residential solar, and partnering with the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) on a strategic plan for electric vehicle infrastructure. To access a wide array of information and resources, visit [cityoflafayette.com/GoGreen](http://cityoflafayette.com/GoGreen).

In October the Lafayette Youth Advisory Committee (LYAC) presented City Council with the Lafayette's Choice ordinance to promote children's health by requiring healthy beverages such as water, milk, and milk alternatives be offered as the default drink on restaurant kids' menus. While restaurants can still offer sugary drinks, and parents have the option to order them for their children, the intent of the new ordinance is to promote healthy meal options for children and implement innovative approaches to support a healthier community.

Enjoy your holidays!



Mayor Christine Berg



Mayor Berg, Sunny and Lumina at the Mayhoffer Open Space purchase celebration.

## Be a Part of...Sustainable Living

### ► Go Green Lafayette!

Did you know Lafayette is considered a leader both nationally and state-wide for our environmental sustainability efforts? We currently have one of the highest installed solar per capita rates in the country and were recently awarded a gold level SolSmart designation by the U.S. Department of Energy.

The City, through the Lafayette Energy Sustainability Advisory and Waste Reduction Advisory Committees, provides a wealth of resources, information and programs to assist residents and business owners to conserve energy and reduce our carbon footprint. Peruse through [cityoflafayette.com/GoGreen](http://cityoflafayette.com/GoGreen) to find support on

- Resources, rebates, discounts on solar
- Programs and incentives to make home energy upgrades easier and more affordable
- Electric vehicle charging stations
- Water conservation programs and tips
- Much more!

## Be a Part of...Healthy Lifestyles



### ► Fill Your Stockings with the Great Outdoors Waterpark this Holiday Season

As the Summer 2018 opening date nears, anticipation is growing for Lafayette's new Great Outdoors Waterpark! Beginning November 25 – until they're sold out – purchase a 4-pack of admission tickets and be the first to experience the new waterpark on May 20. Sixty 4-pack admission tickets will be available at the discounted price of \$30/4-pack. These are sure to make great stocking stuffers and bring a smile to the kids and kids-at-heart in your life. For more information and photos of the park under construction, visit [cityoflafayette.com/GreatOutdoors](http://cityoflafayette.com/GreatOutdoors).



## Be a Part of...Community Life

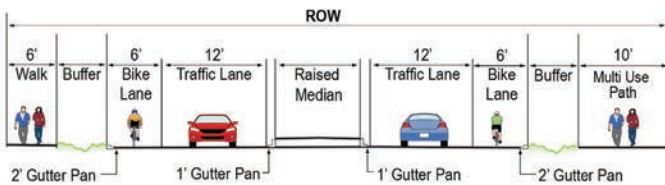
### ▶ Boards, Commissions, and Volunteer Positions

Consider helping shape the future of Lafayette by serving on a City board. All open positions and other volunteer opportunities can be found at [cityoflafayette.com/Volunteer](http://cityoflafayette.com/Volunteer).

Current openings:

- Cultural Arts Commission; 1 position
- Historic Preservation Board; 3 positions
- Public Art Committee; 2 positions
- Senior Advisory Board; 2 positions
- Waste Reduction Advisory Committee; 3 positions
- Zoning Board of Adjustment; 2 positions

### ▶ South Boulder Road / 120th Street Multimodal Improvement Project



The City, in partnership with Boulder County Transportation and CDOT, is working on a street-widening and multimodal improvement project along So. Boulder Road and 120th Street. The Public Works Department is collecting public input on these plans.

The project extends along So. Boulder Road from Mallory Street to 120th Street, and on 120th Street from Eastwind Drive to Coal Creek. It includes a 10-foot wide multi-use sidewalk along Merlin Avenue to Sanchez Elementary, and a path along City Center Circle from So. Boulder Road to the Lafayette Park-n-Ride. Learn more, view maps, and provide your input at [cityoflafayette.com/SBR](http://cityoflafayette.com/SBR).

## Be a Part of...Dining and Shopping



### ▶ SHOP LOCALLY this Holiday Season and INVEST in Lafayette

Support Lafayette businesses and SHOP SMALL on November 25. Shop Small is a nation-wide movement encouraging consumers to support their local economy. View a list of Lafayette businesses offering special promotions on November 25 at [cityoflafayette.com/ShopSmall](http://cityoflafayette.com/ShopSmall) and support ALL Lafayette businesses this holiday season and throughout the year!



When you shop Lafayette, tax dollars are **invested** back into your community in the form of public safety, streets, library, parks, arts, recreation, and other important services. When you shop locally, you also support the many Lafayette businesses working hard to ensure products and services are located right here in your community!

#### Support these NEW Lafayette businesses!

- Endo Brewing and Bike Repair: 2755 Dagny Way
- Fate Brewing: 400 W. South Boulder Road
- Sherwin Williams: 670 N. Hwy 287

#### COMING SOON!

- Stem Cidery: 1380 Horizon Ave (early 2018)
- Tangerine: 300 S. Public Road (early 2018)
- Mod Pizza: Hwy 287 & Black Diamond Pkwy
- Tractor Supply: Hwy 287 & Lucerne Dr (2018)
- Les Schwab Tires: Hwy 287 & Lucerne Dr (2018)
- 12 Point Distillery: 802 S. Public Road (early 2018)
- Hampton Inn: 317 Exempla Circle (early 2018)

## Chat with Council Events

Visit monthly with City Council members and discuss topics of interest.

The format is a casual group conversation that may be prompted by a specific topic, but always includes participant-led questions and discussions.

[cityoflafayette.com/CityCouncil](http://cityoflafayette.com/CityCouncil)



**November 18 from 10-11am**

Boulder Ridge Clubhouse, 11990 E South Boulder Rd

**December 9 from 10-11am**

Aspinwall Community Room, 771 Excelsior Place

**January 20 from 10-11am**

Senior Center, 103 S. Iowa Avenue



# Lafayette Connection Calendar Events *Be a Part of It...*

**November 19-December 19**  
**Spot the Elf in Old Town**  
Pick up a free booklet and locate the elves at participating businesses  
[oldtownlafayette.com](http://oldtownlafayette.com)

**December 2**  
**Home for the Holidays**  
Santa, Elves, tree lighting, caroling and kids' activities! 1-4:30pm Festival Plaza  
[oldtownlafayette.com](http://oldtownlafayette.com)



## ▶ NOVEMBER

**November 1-30**  
**Fall Leaf Drop-Off**  
6:30am-3:30pm City Service Center  
[cityoflafayette.com/Publicworks](http://cityoflafayette.com/Publicworks)

**November 5**  
**Lafayette Birds**  
1-3pm Greenlee Wildlife Preserve  
[cityoflafayette.com/Openspace](http://cityoflafayette.com/Openspace)

**November 6 & 22**  
**The End: Movies and Mortality**  
*TED talks & discussion about end of life issues*  
6:30pm Lafayette Library  
[cityoflafayette.com/Library](http://cityoflafayette.com/Library)

**November 9**  
**WWI Book Discussion: Private Peaceful**  
*Register for free copy of book (first 10)*  
6:00pm Lafayette Library  
[cityoflafayette.com/Library](http://cityoflafayette.com/Library)

**November 9**  
**Observing the Night Sky**  
6:30pm Lafayette Library  
[cityoflafayette.com/Library](http://cityoflafayette.com/Library)

**November 14**  
**Life After High School, BVSD & PEN**  
6:00pm  
[cityoflafayette.com/Library](http://cityoflafayette.com/Library)

**November 17**  
**Medicare Basics Class**  
1:30-3:30pm Senior Center  
[cityoflafayette.com/Seniors](http://cityoflafayette.com/Seniors)

**November 18**  
**Chat with City Council**  
10am Boulder Ridge Clubhouse  
[cityoflafayette.com/CityCouncil](http://cityoflafayette.com/CityCouncil)

**November 18**  
**Turkey Shoot Free Throw Contest**  
9am Bob Burger Recreation Center  
[cityoflafayette.com/Recreation](http://cityoflafayette.com/Recreation)

**November 18**  
**Get Active Storytime**  
10:30am Lafayette Library  
[cityoflafayette.com/Library](http://cityoflafayette.com/Library)

**November 25**  
**Shop N Drop - Ages 5-12**  
1-4pm Bob Burger Recreation Center  
[cityoflafayette.com/ShopNDrop](http://cityoflafayette.com/ShopNDrop)

**November 25**  
**Shop Small Saturday**  
Special offers from Lafayette businesses  
[cityoflafayette.com/ShopSmall](http://cityoflafayette.com/ShopSmall)

## ▶ DECEMBER

**December**  
**Reading Buddies Applications for 2018 Winter/Spring session available online**  
Lafayette Library  
[cityoflafayette.com/982/Reading-Buddies](http://cityoflafayette.com/982/Reading-Buddies)

**December 1**  
**Medicare Open Enrollment Appointments**  
9am-Noon, Lafayette Senior Center, 103 S. Iowa Avenue  
[cityoflafayette.com/Seniors](http://cityoflafayette.com/Seniors)

**December 6**  
**Youth Basketball Registration Deadline**  
Bob Burger Recreation Center  
[cityoflafayette.com/Recreation](http://cityoflafayette.com/Recreation)

**December 8**  
**Santa's Calling Deadline**  
Online & at Bob Burger Recreation Center  
[cityoflafayette.com/Recreationevents](http://cityoflafayette.com/Recreationevents)

**December 9**  
**Chat with Council**  
10-11am Aspinwall Community Room  
[cityoflafayette.com/Citycouncil](http://cityoflafayette.com/Citycouncil)

**December 9**  
**DIY Holiday Garland**  
10:30am Lafayette Library  
[cityoflafayette.com/Library](http://cityoflafayette.com/Library)

**December 11**  
**Lafayette READs Book Discussion: 'Water Knife' by Paolo Bacigalupi**  
6:00pm Lafayette Library  
[cityoflafayette.com/Library](http://cityoflafayette.com/Library)

**December 19**  
**Holiday Storytime**  
10:30am Lafayette Library  
[cityoflafayette.com/Library](http://cityoflafayette.com/Library)

**December 19**  
**Christmas Storytime**  
10:30am Lafayette Library  
[cityoflafayette.com/Library](http://cityoflafayette.com/Library)

**December 20**  
**Hanukkah Storytime**  
6:30pm Lafayette Library  
[cityoflafayette.com/Library](http://cityoflafayette.com/Library)

**December 21**  
**Winter Solstice Storytime**  
6:30pm Lafayette Library  
[cityoflafayette.com/Library](http://cityoflafayette.com/Library)

**December 27-29 and January 1-5 & 8**  
**Winter Chill Out Camps**  
Bob L Burger Recreation Center  
[cityoflafayette.com/Camps](http://cityoflafayette.com/Camps)

## ▶ JANUARY

**January 20**  
**Chat with City Council**  
10am Senior Center  
[www.cityoflafayette.com](http://www.cityoflafayette.com)

**January 13**  
**Lafayette Oatmeal Festival**  
7:30am-12pm Various Old Town locations  
[lafayettecolorado.com](http://lafayettecolorado.com)

**January 27**  
**Electronics Recycling Collection Event**  
9am-2pm City Service Center  
[cityoflafayette.com/Publicworks](http://cityoflafayette.com/Publicworks)

## ▶ FEBRUARY

**February 5**  
**Wilson Garden Plot Rentals Open for Residents**  
Online & at the Bob Burger Recreation Center  
[cityoflafayette.com/Wilsongardens](http://cityoflafayette.com/Wilsongardens)

**February 6**  
**Summer Day Camp Registration Opens Online and at the Bob L Burger Recreation Center**  
[cityoflafayette.com/Camps](http://cityoflafayette.com/Camps)



## Connect WITH THE CITY

Know what's happening in your community!

Go to [www.cityoflafayette.com/CONNECT](http://www.cityoflafayette.com/CONNECT) and

- Sign up to receive News Alerts & Calendar Events via text or email
- Sign up to receive monthly Arts, Library & Recreation newsletters
- Follow the City's Facebook & Twitter pages

## IMPORTANT ADDRESSES

- Bob Burger Rec Center, 111 W. Baseline Rd
- City Service Center, 1700 Avalon Ave
- Collective Community Arts Center, 201 N. Public Rd
- Festival Plaza, 311 S. Public Rd
- Lafayette Library, 775 W. Baseline Rd
- Senior Center, 103 S. Iowa
- Waneka Lake Park, 1600 Caria Dr



Symbol denotes an ongoing and/or reoccurring event



**Find Events Online**  
More events and additional details for all listed events can be found at [cityoflafayette.com/events](http://cityoflafayette.com/events)