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Presidents Message: Rob Squire

I see open drug use almost every day when walking around downtown. I've seen it in Skyline Park, I've seen it on the steps of the Performing Arts Center, I've seen it in the doorway near Shag – I've seen it in more places than I can enumerate here. You have to look for it, but if you do, you see it. The corner of 16th & Champa near the restroom has become a haven for open drug use, and I've called 911 several times about it. The DPD recognizes 16th & Champa and Skyline Park as problem areas for open drug use and increased crime.

As a society, it is incumbent on us to do everything we can to combat drug abuse...

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Denver Urban Gardens

By Helen Hedrick, UpDoNA Director and Co-Chair of UpDoNA Cares Committee

If, like me, you are a person who believes that every little thing matters and that little miracles add up to big miracles, then you will want to know about Denver Urban Gardens (DUG). Here is their website: <https://dug.org/>

“DUG knows that in order to make lasting change, the community needs to drive it. That’s why every one of our urban gardens and farms have been started and led by local residents.”

We currently have over 180 gardens in six counties in the Metro Denver Area. DUG gardeners grow food, but more than that, they grow the community. . . to focus on reducing barriers to fresh, healthy, and organic food by providing access to space, knowledge, and resources for anyone wishing to grow their own produce.”

Unfortunately, there are no DUG gardens in Upper Downtown (where we so desperately need more greenery). The nearest DUG gardens are probably the one at Auraria campus and brand new one at Commons Park, 2101 15th Street.

On April 30 from 9-12 volunteers are needed at Commons Park to help amend soil in the brand new plots. Join me! Get some sun and do a good deed for Mother Earth!!! [Sign up here](#)



Local Business
Spotlight

Spring44

Contributing Author: Adrienne Kraft

Jeff and Jaime Lindauer, residents of UpDoNa, tell a unique story around their

award-winning vodkas and gins at Spring44. Click [here](#) to learn about their commitment to the environment and delicious libations founded on family connection. Spoiler alert: They have many tantalizing recipes on their site! Continue reading [here](#)



This is Tinkerbell. She transports Spring44's distinctive spring water from Buckhorn Canyon at 9000 feet to the distillery in Loveland.

******UpDoNA has been approved and is now a 501c(3) organization! Your donations are now tax-deductible and any donations made previously are tax-deductible retroactively to the date of UpDoNA's founding in 2021.******

Yes, I want to Donate to UpDoNA!

UpDoNA

Who We Are

UpDoNA is a city registered neighborhood



[LoDoNA Safe Clean & Compassionate
Town Hall](#)

organization formed to advocate for the interests of the residents and businesses in Upper Downtown Denver.

Our Vision

To have an Upper Downtown community that is and continues to be one of the most sought-after neighborhoods for residents, businesses and visitors.

Our Mission

To be a partner and advocate for the betterment of the Upper Downtown community and all those who live, work and play here!



UpDoNA offers a business Membership, [click here to get involved!](#)

* If you are involved with a local business in the UpDoNA area and are interested in learning more about highlighting your business. Please email us at: info@updona.org

April 14th at 4:30 PM
Venue: Denver Chamber of Commerce Building
1445 Market Street

Clean Sustainable Denver

April 2 at 8:45 AM
Venue: Lobby of Spire at 14th St.
Bring gloves, a trash grabber or broom, and a dustpan

Dazzle

April 5th at 7 pm - Opera Colorado
Many events throughout the month!
Venue: 1512 Curtis Street
[Click here for more details](#)

Pan Jumbies at Denver Press Club

April 14th at 6:30 pm
Venue: 1330 Glenarm Place
[Click here for more details](#)

Movie Nights & Dinner - **Bistro Vendome**

April 11th and 25th
Venue: 1420 Larimer Street at 6 pm
Movie and 5-course dinner for \$55/pp
[Click here for more details](#)

Denver Architecture Foundation - **Audio Walking Tours**

Any day and time!
Venue: Civic Center & Downtown Focus
Download the tour onto your phone and get going!
[Click here for details](#)

To see more events, please click [here!](#)

For a complete list of concert and event schedules at the biggest venues around town, visit the following sites:

<https://www.ballarena.com/events-tickets/calendar/>

<https://www.empowerfieldatmilehigh.com/events>

<https://www.paramountdenver.com/event-calendar/>

<https://www.redrocksonline.com/>

<https://www.denvercenter.org/tickets-events/>

For a complete list of Events Around Town, visit [Denver.org](https://denver.org)

Volunteers Needed!

We need help to do our work. It takes volunteers to make a volunteer organization run. There are opportunities all over.

- Interested in making downtown life safer and more rewarding? Volunteer for the Safety and Quality of Life Committee
- How about helping to improve the lives of the homeless? Volunteer for UpDoNA Cares
- Would you like to help make our streets clean and attractive? Volunteer for our monthly Community Cleanups with our Clean Sustainable Denver Committee
- Have a writing skill? Write articles for our Website/Newsletter Committee
- Or would you rather help by increasing the influence of UpDoNA. There is power in numbers, and you can be a part of our Membership Committee
- Are you good at organizing? Help arrange social events as a part of our Social Committee
- Do you have a skill or interest in managing organizations? Consider running for our Board of Directors. We have an immediate opening and will be holding an election in April of this year.

We can only do our work with the help of people like you! Please consider offering your services to help us be a more effective and influential association. [Click here to get involved as a volunteer!](#) Every committee I mentioned can use help. Please – Get Involved.



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