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If you enjoy our newsletter every month, but haven't yet joined UpDoNA, please consider helping us in the very important work we do. There is power in numbers and the larger our membership, the more influence we have with our elected leaders. *Our tax-deductible annual membership is less than \$3.00 a month!* Be part of the solution. Please consider joining us.

[Become a Member of Our Community](#)

President's Message: Lisa Pope

Happy September!

Thanks to everyone who attended our second annual **Downtown Denver National Night Out** ("DDNNO") on August 6th at Skyline Park 1! We had another great event, doubling last year's attendance, and the weather was much better this year!

It takes a lot of people to make the event happen. I must thank our DDNNO Planning Committee members, our two partners, LoDoNA and Downtown Denver Partnership, and our volunteers for making the event such a success. Of course, the event would not be possible if it weren't for our very generous sponsors: BOMA, Bimbo Bakeries, Mark Callaghan Real Estate, Pepsi, Kittredge Ventures, Riot Hospitality Group, Target, Excel Energy, Visit Denver, Sheraton Hotel, Colorado Convention Center, Consolidated Services Group, District 10 Councilman Chris Hinds, LoDo District, and the Oxford Hotel. Our hosts were Drew Engelbart and Kylie Bearse of Fox News Denver. Their energy and banter were fantastic!

[Read the Full President's Message here...](#)

New Announcements

[UpDoNA's Facebook Page](#)

We encourage all members to go to UpDoNA's Facebook page and "like" it. There is a lot of information that we print there that is not included in our newsletter. Since we publish our newsletter on a monthly basis, there are often announcements that cannot wait until the 1st day of the following month and information about events that occur before then. That valuable information is published on our Facebook page. Liking it will give you access to a great deal of additional information that you would not otherwise know about.

[September UNO](#)

UNOs (UpDoNA Nights Out) are held on the second Wednesday of each month. They are a great way to meet other UpDoNA members from other member buildings and have fun in the process. The September UNO will be held on Wednesday, September 11th beginning at 5 PM at Giordano's at the corner of 16th Street and California. Enjoy Happy Hour prices from 5 PM-6 PM, but stay later and have fun!

[Mall Project Information](#)

As of August 29th, three more blocks of the 16th Street Mall will be officially opened. On that date at 10 AM, a

celebration will be held to open the three blocks from Larimer to Wazee. That is in addition to the block between Lawrence and Larimer, which is completed, open, and beautiful! For information on the project and to see the schedule (which has remained unchanged for at least the last nine months and probably more) click on the following link. [16th St Mall Information](#)

It's Less Than 100 Days Until the Election – Act Now!

If you aren't registered to vote, with less than 100 days before the November election, now is the time to do it. It's easy to do online. Even if you are registered, it's still wise to verify your registration. Go to [Go Vote Colorado](#) where you can do both of these things as well as other voting-related actions. You can also go to Denver Clerk Paul Lopez's [Election Q&A Fact Checker](#) for correct information about voting.

Skyline Park Block 2 Renovation – Public Input – Take the Survey

Exciting changes are coming to Skyline Park in the heart of downtown Denver! It's important to provide your feedback and input on the new design for Block 2, the central block of the park between 16th Street Mall and 17th Street. When you complete the survey, you will receive a coupon for 15% off one drink at the [Summer Beer Garden](#) that is currently open in Skyline Park! The survey will be open until September 13, 2024.

UpDoNA attended a Virtual Public Meeting on these improvements on August 7. You can [watch the recording](#) of the meeting and [review the presentation](#). Please don't forget to [take the survey](#). When you provide your feedback, please consider commenting on the need for physical barriers to scooters within the park.

Clean Upper Downtown Committee Update - September

Contributed by Carolyn Benton



This is just a friendly reminder about the latest happenings with our committee! We used our recent grants to purchase more supplies and signage for our wagons, and we're thrilled with how we've put the grant money to good use. We've also wrapped up the post-grant survey, which was the final step for this grant.

Exciting news - we've been advised that we're being considered for further grant funds this year! In the coming weeks, our committee will be meeting to chat about plans to help clean up cigarette butts outside local hotels and businesses. Keep an eye out for our upcoming newsletter, where we'll share our plans for the future. Stay tuned!

[Read the Full Article Here](#)



Written by Kirsten Deak and Carolyn Benton

Nestled near the corner of 12th Avenue and Bannock lies a true culinary delight. Leven Deli Company, located in the Golden Triangle, is surrounded by three of the city's museums: Denver Art, Clyfford Still, and the Kirkland.

On any given day, there is a line that extends out the door and beyond. There are no unhappy faces. Instead, folks look cheerful and relaxed, talking casually to those next in line and looking forward to a delicious and sometimes innovative deli lunch.

Leven is not just an ordinary deli. It is also a wine bar, bakery, and coffee shop, all crafted to bring people together to enjoy their favorite things in a cozy atmosphere. Leven is unique in that it retains some aspects of a Jewish deli and compliments items described as "Mediterranean."



[Read all about Leven Deli](#)

UpDoNA Cares Committee - September Update

Contributed by Helen Hedrick and Ron Townsend



The **Cares Committee** continues to support three nonprofits through volunteer work and fundraising.

All three organizations survive on donations and volunteers. Their websites each specify what, when, and how to donate. Even used cars can be donated!

The Delores Project: Purchase items from their Amazon Wish List and have them sent straight to their door: <https://a.co/2LjuNtR>

STEP Denver: <https://stepdenver.org/ways-to-give/>

Urban Peak: <https://www.urbanpeak.org/support#donate-more>

If you are interested in helping to prepare and/or serve lunch or dinner at the Delores Project or Urban Peak, email rontownsend@updona.org. We can always use more hands!

[Read the Full Update Here](#)

A Towering Mural: How UpDoNa is Bringing Art and Life to Downtown Denver

Contributed by Jackie Bunce and Sal Tripodi

UpDoNa's Arts & Beautification Committee is dedicated to enhancing the aesthetic and cultural appeal of the upper downtown Denver area through various art and landscaping projects.

One of the most exciting and ambitious projects that the committee is working on is the Dominion Tower Project, which will transform the 30-story building with a stunning mural that will become a landmark for



Denver.

The Dominion Tower Project is a collaboration between UpDoNa, the Downtown Denver Partnership, and the Mayor's office, which has made this a high-priority item for the city's reactivation after the pandemic. The committee has secured the participation of renowned artist Pat Milbery, who is known for his colorful and geometric murals that celebrate the spirit and diversity of Denver. Milbery will create a mural that will cover the entire south-facing facade of the Dominion Tower, which is located at 600 17th Street. The mural will be visible from many parts of the city and will showcase the vibrancy and creativity of the upper downtown area.

[Read the Full Article from the Arts and Beautification Committee Here](#)

Business Member Offers and Announcements

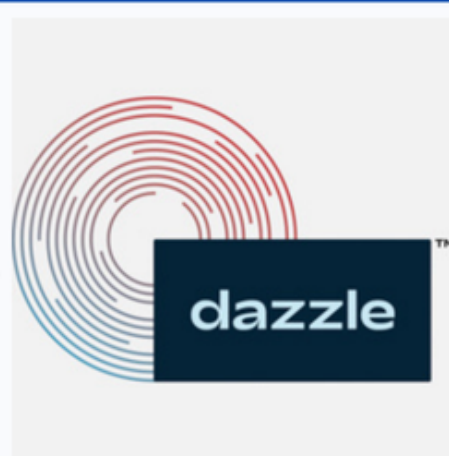


Stan's Downtown Barbers is excited to welcome you into our newest Downtown Denver location in the Golden Triangle, located at 140 W. 10th Ave. We offer a complimentary shampoo with your haircut, walk- in or book online:
StansDowntownBarbers.com



We at JARS Cannabis are offering 30% off your purchase for all UpDoNA members for 2024! Use code "UpDo" to enjoy 30% off your next purchase at checkout.

The Dazzle Date Night Package: for only \$45 dollars you and your special someone will receive a lovely bottle of wine and a scrumptious dessert to share. (Show tickets not included). You can make any night into a special night. Email host@dazzledenver.com to add the date night package to your romantic evening! Check show listings at dazzledenver.com.



Gasman Automotive Solutions is offering 25% off any window tint on two front windows or full tint to UpDoNA members.



Occasionally we receive last-minute offers from Business Members for events that will occur prior to the next newsletter release. These will be posted as an event on our UpDoNA Facebook page. We encourage members to “Like” our Facebook page in order to be informed about these last minute events and other important announcements that are posted there.





[To Learn more about our UpDoNA Business Members, click here \(each logo on the home page will direct you to their business website\).](#)

Click on any of the images below for more information!



*****UpDoNA has been approved and is now a 501c(3) organization! Your donations are 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!



Clean Upper Downtown

First Saturday of the month: September 7th at 9 AM

Venue: Lobby of Spire at 891 14th St.

Second Venue: 20th & Lincoln

Please wear gloves!

[Civic Center Eats](#)

Weekly, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 11 AM - 2 PM

Civic Center Park

[Denver Convention Center Events](#)

Entire Month of September, 2024

Downtown Denver, CO

[Skyline Beer Festival](#)

Wednesdays - Sundays, times vary - see link

Skyline Park, 1601 Arapahoe Street

[Denver Oktoberfest](#)

Weekend 1: Sept 20-22

Weekend 2: Sept 27-29

Larimer and 21st, Ballpark District



Who We Are

UpDoNA is a city registered neighborhood 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!

[Doors Open Denver](#)

Sept 26th to 29th

Historical Sites all Over Denver, click link for more info

[Recurring Events in Denver](#)

For 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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