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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

PLEASE READ MY "REPORTING" INFORMATION IN THIS MESSAGE!

Welcome to fall! October is a busy month for travel and for football. Hopefully you have some time in your schedule to attend the 16th Street Grand Opening on October 4th celebrating the official completion of 16th Street and its 43rd anniversary.

As you recall, the Downtown Denver Development Authority announced investments in 10 projects – housing, businesses, and parks. One of those projects is Green Spaces, a mixed marketplace with storefronts, art spaces, co-working spaces, coffee shop, and a bar owned by young, creative, Denver entrepreneurs. Green Spaces will occupy almost a full-city block between Welton and California streets in Upper Downtown!

Now for some important business - REPORTING! When you see something, you must report it using the Clean and Safe app, 311, or 911. You should be reporting issues such as vandalism, maintenance, outreach, safety, graffiti, disruption by a person, sidewalks, emergency needs, and more.

Click the button below to read all the latest on:

- Daily Mayor's office meeting
- Update on homeless in Upper Downtown
- Roads to Recovery

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

UpDoNA Announcements

October UNO

The October UNO (UpDoNA Night Out) will be held at Panzano on Wednesday, October 1 2025. Stay as long as you want and have a great time with other members.

Date: Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Time: 5:30PM

Happy Hour: Enjoy Happy Hour prices until 6:00 PM

Venue: Panzano

Location: 909 17th St (corner of 17th & Champa)

Remember, UpDoNA now holds UNOs on the first Wednesday of each month. Put them on your calendar as a recurring event so you don't miss out!

Watch For UpDoNA Advertising on 16th St. Digital Kiosks

One of the issues that UpDoNA has faced is how to make more residents and businesses aware that we are here and are working for them. IKE Smart City, who provided DDNNO with a month of free advertising in July, is helping us by graciously offering UpDoNA with the opportunity to place advertising on the 16th St. kiosks. Our ad will run in October, and we will periodically run other ads, so watch for them as you stroll down 16th St.





Safety Committee

Denver's Roads to Recovery – A Path Toward Compassionate Public Safety

Contributed By: Gil Vondrasek

As many of us have witnessed firsthand, the challenges of homelessness, mental illness, and addiction are growing across Denver. These issues affect not only those experiencing them but also our shared sense of safety, community, and compassion.

UpDoNA had the opportunity to have a conversation with members of the mayor's staff Cole Chandler and the Roads to Recovery Director Erin Atencio who explained the city's efforts to help folks in mental crisis.

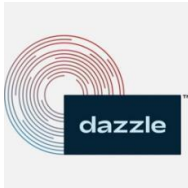
Denver's *Roads to Recovery* program offers a new approach. Instead of relying solely on law enforcement or emergency rooms, this initiative connects people directly to treatment, housing, and long-term support. Outreach teams—often paired with first responders—engage individuals on the street and guide them through detox, mental health care, and recovery services.

[Read the Full Update Here](#)

Business Member Offers & Announcements



Mop Stars takes cleaning off your hands, whether it's your home or business, with 20% off a cleaning



Get a bottle of wine and a dessert to share with your date for only \$45 (show tickets not included). Email host@dazzledenver.com to add the Date Night Package. dazzledenver.com



Clocktower Cabaret is offering a \$10 discount on select performances for all UpDoNA members based on availability. Use code UPDONA10. Email questions to selene@clocktowercabaret.com.



UpDoNA members get 10% off any SEO or Google Ads package at Well Optimized SEO—now through all of 2025!



Aloft Hotel is offering a discounted room rate for UpDoNA members of \$89 + tax pending availability during 2025. [Book your room at Neighborhood Discounted Rate](#). After choosing your preferred dates online, the website will let you know if the discounted rate is available for those dates.



We at JARS Cannabis are offering 30% off your purchase for all UpDoNA members for 2025! Use code "UpDo" to enjoy 30% off your next purchase at checkout.



Looking for a local financial institution that truly fits your needs at competitive rates? Visit our One Lincoln Park branch or ccu.org to join today.



OLIVE & FINCH

We at Olive & Finch are featuring our new fall beverages — cozy lattes and seasonal specials — available all October. Stop by and enjoy!"

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.



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.*****



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!

[Clean Upper Downtown](#)

First Saturday of the month: October 4th, at 9 a.m.

Venue: Lobby of Spire at 891 14th St.

Second Venue: 20th & Lincoln

[UpDoNA October UNO](#)

October 1st, 2025 5:30 p.m.

Panzano - 909 17th St (corner of 17th & Champa)

[Denver Convention Center Events](#)

Entire Month of October 2025

Downtown Denver, CO

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](#)

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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