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Join Colorado Municipal League and Downtown Colorado, Inc., community leaders, elected officials, board members, developers, and downtown professionals for a day exploring how BIDs, GIDs, and URAs are partnering with local governments to create vibrant, economically resilient communities throughout the Denver metro area.

AGENDA

7:00–7:30 AM | Departure from Downtown Colorado, Inc. Board the bus, meet fellow participants, and travel to Arvada.

8:15–9:45 AM | Ralston Creek, Arvada | New URA Project. Project overview, and guided tour highlighting environmental remediation, flood mitigation, infrastructure investment, and redevelopment strategies.

10:15–11:15 AM | Olde Town Arvada | BID Walking Tour. Explore one of Colorado's premier downtown districts and learn how partnerships between the City, BID, businesses, and community organizations create a thriving destination.

11:30 AM–1:00 PM | Lunch + Leadership Discussion. Join community leaders, elected officials, developers, and project partners for an interactive discussion about downtown investment, district governance, public-private partnerships, and community revitalization.

1:45–4:00 PM | Denver's Broadway General Improvement District (GID) | Walking Tour. Learn how one of Colorado's newest GIDs is enhancing public spaces, improving safety and cleanliness, and strengthening one of Denver's most historic neighborhoods.

4:00–4:30 PM | Return to Starting Locations. Bus transportation returns participants to either Downtown Colorado, Inc. or Ralston Commons.

4:30–5:30 PM | Optional Networking Happy Hour.

OPTION FOR STARTING LOCATION

- **Denver:** Downtown Colorado, Inc., 1420 Ogden Street (Boarding 7:00–7:25 AM | Depart 7:30 AM)
- **Arvada:** Join the tour at Ralston Commons Community Room, 9400 Ralston Road (8:15 AM)

WHAT TO EXPECT?

Spend the day with Colorado Municipal League, Downtown Colorado, Inc, exploring some of the Denver metro area's most innovative community investments. Join community leaders from across Colorado for the 2026 Metro Mobile Tour, a one-day exploration of how Business Improvement Districts (BIDs), General Improvement Districts (GIDs), and Urban Renewal Authorities (URAs) are partnering with local governments to create thriving places.

Throughout the day, participants will visit:

- A new Urban Renewal Authority (URA) Ralston Creek Project shaping future investment
- A successful sunsetted URA Olde Town Arvada district that demonstrates long-term impact and fostered creation of an active Business Improvement District (BID) supporting downtown vitality
- Denver's new Broadway General Improvement District (GID) enhancing public spaces and neighborhood investment

Along the way, you'll meet community leaders, participate in conversations with peers, and gain practical ideas you can bring back to your own community.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

City Council Members • State Legislators • County Commissioners • BID, GID & URA Board Members • Municipal Staff • Downtown & Economic Development Professionals • Developers • Community Partners

Experience a new URA project, an established BID, and an emerging GID—all while connecting with the leaders who are shaping Colorado's thriving places.