The Farm AT ARAPAHOE COUNTY



January 2025

PCMS 303-224-0004

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The Farm at Arapahoe County Homeowners Association, Inc.

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January 20th

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Thank you so much for celebrating the holiday season with us in The Farm! We hope Santa made all the wishes come true. Happy New Year!!!





Board Meetings

The Farm at Arapahoe County Homeowners Association Board of Directors Meeting Schedule for 2025:

The Farm at Arapahoe County Board of Directors meets quarterly on the 2nd Wednesday of February, May, August and November at 6:15 PM via Zoom. Please email PCMS at Corpoffice@pcms.net if you would like confirmation of the Zoom meeting login details. Be sure to include the address of the property you own when requesting this information.

- February 12, 2025-6:15 PM
- May 14, 2025-6:15 PM
- August 13, 2025-6:15 PM
- November 12, 2025-6:15 PM-Annual Membership & Budget Ratification Meetings-Please refer to the annual notice, which will be mailed to all homeowners of record, for detailed information, including login details and instructions.

You can also visit The Farm HOA website at www.TheFarmHOA.com for the most up-to-date meeting dates/times.

2025 Hillcrest at The Farm Owners Association Board Meeting Information:

The Hillcrest at The Farm Board of Directors meets quarterly on the 2nd Thursday of February, May, August and November at 6:00 PM via Zoom. Please email PCMS at Corpoffice@pcms.net if you would like confirmation of the Zoom meeting login details. Be sure to include the address of the property you own when requesting this information.

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You can also visit www.HillcrestAtTheFarmHOA.com for the most up-to-date meeting dates and times.

Homestead at the Farm

Meetings are held virtually. Please watch your email for the meeting link and agenda.

- 2/18/2025 5:00pm hatf BOD
- 5/13/2025 5:00pm hatf BOD
- 9/16/2025 5:00pm hatf BOD
- 11/18/2025 6:00pm hatf budget ratification/annual meeting



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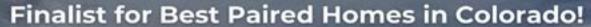
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The Farm Real Estate Report

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ADDRESS	SOLD PRICE	DOM	BED	BATH	SQ. FT.
16834 E Weaver Ln	\$765,000	83	4	4	3,746
17331 E Lake Ln	\$620,000	54	4	3	2,113
6047 S Walden Ct	\$590,000	4	4	3	2,075

Average Sales Price: \$658,333

Average Days on Market (DOM) 47

Available Homes: As of 12/15/2024 there are 5 Properties Available for Sale in The Farm.

Aurora Market Snapshot (NOV 17, 2024 – DEC 17, 2024)

418 Sold Listings / \$498,000 Average Sales Price / 84 Average Days on Market

- Based on information from REcolorado, Inc. for the period of 11/16/2024 through 12/15/2024.
- Not all properties were listed and/or sold by Your Home Sold Guaranteed Realty / The Watson Group
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Reminder Regarding Public Street Snow Removal:

As a reminder public street snow removal within The Farm at Arapahoe County is handled through Arapahoe County and not the Community Association. Please visit their website for information and updates.



The Farm Display Advertising Rates									
Business Card	Business Card 1/6 Page 1/4 Page								
\$30 per issue	\$45 per issue	\$60 per issue							
1/3 Page	Half Page	Full Page							
\$75 per issue	\$85 per issue	\$11O per issue							

Deadline is always the 20th of the preceding month. Email kerri@porchlink with any questions.

Text us at 720-295-2649 with your email address and we will send you a current rate sheet!

2025 Committee Sign-Up & Information

Are you interested in volunteering for one of the Association's Committees? If so, please send an email to **corpoffice@pcms. net by January 30, 2025**, including:

- · Your name and address
- A brief bio about yourself
- Any relevant experience related to the committee you're interested in

This also applies to current Committee members who wish to volunteer again for 2025.

Available Committees:

- Landscape Committee: Reviews common area landscaping.
- **Design Review Board:** Reviews design requests for home or lot exterior improvements submitted by homeowners.

Important Notes:

- All Committee positions are reviewed and appointed annually by the Board of Directors.
- Current committee members must resubmit their interest to be considered for reappointment.
- Appointments will occur at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.
- All Committee members serve a one-year term and will receive an email confirmation if appointed.

We appreciate your interest in serving the community!

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Complaint Procedure

Who May Submit Complaints? Complaints regarding alleged violations of the Covenants, Design Guidelines or Rules and Regulations may be reported by members of the Board of Directors, members of the Community or the Association's Manager.

How Complaints Should be Submitted. Complaints by a member of the community shall be in writing and must include a contact name and email address or phone number in case there is an inquiry from the Board or management office regarding the complaint submitted. Anonymous complaints will not be accepted. Your name and contact information will not be provided to the person you have made a complaint about; it is only needed for the management team. The member must have observed the alleged violation and shall contain the nature of the alleged violation, the location of the alleged violation and the date it was observed, photos are very helpful. A complaint may also be submitted by any member of the Board of Directors or by the Association Manager after a walk-through or inspection of the community.

You may send your concerns to PCMS via email at support@pcms.net or via fax at 303-224-0002.

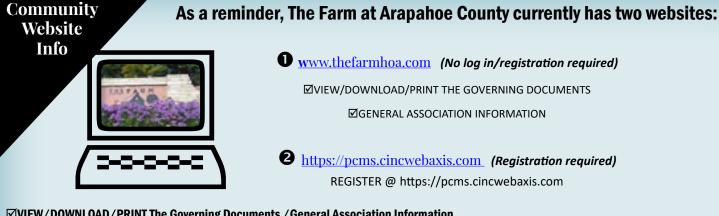






Teen Services Update:

If you have previously registered your teenager for the Teen Services listing in the newsletter publication and your teen is no longer interested in having their name listed or has moved out of the community, please send an email to corpoffice@pcms.net and request that your teens name be removed from the list. The Association has received a few calls indicating that they have tried calling several of the teens listed and were told they are now at college or moved, etc.



- **☑VIEW/DOWNLOAD/PRINT The Governing Documents / General Association Information**
- ☑View your specific homeowner account: account balance and make payments on your account
- **☑View your architectural request history and submit your architectural requests**
- ☑View your covenant violation history and add notes/updates to the covenant violation listed
- ☑ Submit work order requests for maintenance items you feel need to be reviewed/addressed in the common areas within the community
- ☑ Receive community e-news updates

Questions? Please contact corpoffice@pcms.net

CINC Webaxis Account/E-News Notifications:

Please register your account through the CINC Webaxis homeowner portal located at https://pcms.cincwebaxis. com/. You will need your account # to register, which can be found on your welcome letter or most recent assessment billing.

(After you submit your website registration request, the system will send you an email to set your password. Please note that this email may go to your junk folder. The link expires after 5 hours. If you miss this window, please contact the bookkeeper at accounting@pcms.net to have a new link emailed to you.)

This site allows you to see your account information, submit ARC requests, file a concern/complaint and receive updates. The email address used for your account will automatically be in the system to receive community E-News updates. If you would like an additional email address registered, please provide your property address and the additional email address to corpoffice@pcms.net. Don't miss out on important community events and updates.



We have been advertising in the Porchlink newsletters for almost 2 years now. The staff is always professional and pleasant to work with. The newsletter has been very helpful in getting business for our small plumbing company. The ad usually pays for itself each month because so many people use it to get reasonable, trustworthy services.

Michelle Cox

Neighborhood Plumber



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Valerie Petersen

Petersen Custom Glass, LLC

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Our classified advertising option has been a great success for small, local businesses interested in marketing in an EFFECTIVE & AFFORDABLE way!

And it's EASY to do- simply email kerri@porchlink.com with the text for your ad (base pricing for 25 words, \$.50 per additional word) and let us know which newsletters you would like to advertise in.

Best of all- new advertisers can try classified advertising in and receive the same ad FREE in The following month's issue! Our deadline is always the 20th of the preceding month.

There is no long term commitment, you are welcome to advertise on a monthly basis depending on your needs.

However, most of our classified advertisers stick with us month after month... for years!

Why not give it a try?

Email kerri@porchlink.com with any questions. We'd be happy to email you any past newsletters or samples of classified ads for reference.

Rates per issue for 25 words, \$.50 per additional word:								
Publication	# of Homes	Rates per issue						
Stonegate	4,600	\$35						
Stroh Ranch	2,400	\$25						
Pradera	550	\$25						
ALL OF Parker (above)	7,550 HOMES	\$75						
Blackstone	2,457	\$35						
Tollgate Crossing	1,500	\$25						
Tallyn's Reach	2,037	\$35						
Saddle Rock North	663	\$25						
Saddle Rock East/South	1,566	\$25						
Murphy Creek	1,400	\$20						
The Farm	1,500	\$10						
ALL OF Aurora (above)	11,123 HOMES	\$165						
Willow Creek 1, 2, and 3	1,629	\$35						
Foxridge	1,000	\$25						
Hunters Hill	275	\$10						
ALL OF Centennial	2,904 HOMES	\$60						
Sapphire Pointe	800	\$15						
Founders Village	2,200	\$15						
ALL OF Castle Rock	3,000 HOMES	\$25						
Colliers Hill (Erie)	1,545	\$25						



Waste Connections 2025 Recycle Schedule

THE FARM is on the "A WEEK" Schedule | 303-288-2100 | www.wcdenver.com

A WEEK=

Recycling collection will be every other week. Your pick-up is on your regular service day. Please refer to the highlighted lines of this calendar to determine your recycling collection week.

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= We observe the following holidays: New Years, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Unless it falls on a weekend day.

Your holiday collection schedule will run 1 DAY LATE (Mon. will be Tues. and so on and Fri. will be Sat.) If your normal pick-up day falls on or after the holiday within the same week.

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Fox Hollow PTO Community Corner



Winter Break December 21 - January 6

Donuts With Dear Ones

January 17 7:30am

Spectacular New Year Dance January 24 6pm - 7:30pm

PTO Volunteers Needed

2025/26 School Year

PTO President (or co-President) - Board Position

VP of Fundraising - Board Position

Fox Trotters Co-Chair

Student Directory Chair

School ToolBox Chair

Spirit Night & Loyalty Programs Chair







Do Not Play on The Playground during school hours 7:40am-3pm everyday Including Wednesdays

No Walking Dogs On School Grounds 7:30am-3:30pm Service Dogs Must Be Visibly Labeled

The Farm Teen Services

To add your name please contact: corpoffice@pcms.net \Diamond updated November 2024 The Teen Services listing will be offered and maintained by the Homeowners Association and is not a service of Porchlink Media, LLC. Any misuse of the listing should be reported immediately to the Homeowners Association.

Name	Phone Number	Baby Sitter	Red Cross Certified	Pet Sitter	House Sitter	Lawn Mowing	Chores	Snow Removal	Other
Zachary Ammon	303-221-0626	✓	✓						
Aidan Anderson	720-412-6174					✓			
Isaac Anderson	303-549-1757				head	dlight polishi	ng		
Sophia Anderson	303-549-3867	✓		✓ dogs	✓				dog walking
Stratton Anderson	303-549-2170			✓	✓	✓	✓	~	math tutoring (middle school and younger) dog walking
Eva Atkinson	720-551-1644 303-408-7114	✓		✓					
Alina Bates	303-408-2795								dog walking
Jacob Blevins	951-776-6969					✓			weeding
Trevor Bock	720-481-8481			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Joshua Brito-Mariani	303-803-2601			✓		✓		✓	tutor
Lauren Campbell	720-788-5252	✓							tutor familiar w/food allergies
Cooper Elmore	720-584-2549	✓		✓	✓				
Chase Enriquez	303-619-9315			✓		✓			
Kelcie G, 15	406-599-0345		1	✓					
Alejandro Garcia, 14	720-675-0353				✓	✓	✓	✓	
Leonardo Garcia, 15	720-469-3051				✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sophia Good	248-897-5105	✓	✓	✓					swim lessons
Natalie Krier	720-717-6779	√	✓						
Zoe Lapidow, 16	720-666-5060	√	✓						
Lili Lombard	720-477-0308	✓	✓						
Ellie Lucas.	303-396-8340	✓	✓						
Natalie Marcinek	321-537-9332	✓	✓						
Sophia Marcinek	321-794-7947	√	1	✓	✓		✓		
Jaya Messer	303-903-9234	√		✓	✓				Dog walker
Keegan Parris	720-410-2865	√	1	√		✓		1	<u> </u>
Lily Parris	720-410-2865	✓		✓		✓			
Kariana Rodriguez, 14	720-261-5438	✓	✓	✓	✓				Dog walker
Alejandro Salazar, 16	720-291-1279	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	tutor
Audrey Seidel	720-926-3771	√	✓	√	✓		√		
Tenzing Sherpa	303-396-9194	√	✓	√	√		√		tutor
Allie Smith	720-537-6624	✓		√	✓				Soccer Lessons, Tutor
Caleb Smith	720-422-1216	✓	✓	√ ✓	✓	√	✓	√	Baseball Lessons
Maddie Squires	720-318-5912	✓	✓	√	✓			√	Tutoring middle school & younger, dog walking
Hallie Stevens 13	505-263-3528	√ Ⅱ		✓	✓		✓		Dog walking Weed picking
Reagan Stone	720-560-3706	✓	✓	✓			✓		swim lessons
Harper Stull, 13	720-660-1259			√	✓		✓		leaf removal, gardening, dog waste collection
Emma Tebben	720-476-2404	✓		✓	✓	✓			tutor & dog walker
Noah Tebben	720-628-7606			✓	✓	✓	✓		dog walker
Adler Tuley	720-808-1442					✓			Fertilization
Everest Tuley	720-808-1442					✓			Fertilization
Mikaela Vernikoff	720-371-0352	✓	✓	√	✓			1	
Alexis Walton	720-252-6689	√		√	✓			1	
lan Weidner	720-665-3319	✓	√	√	✓	1			



Park and Field Reservation Information/Goodman Metropolitan District Contact Information:

Please note that the Goodman Metropolitan District provides the management of the areas that are owned by the District which includes the baseball fields, open fields and Central Park. Visit the parks page at Goodmanmetro.org for more info if you are interested in reserving the fields or park areas in the community. Completed applications and checks can be dropped off or mailed to Goodman Metro District c/o PCMS 7208 S. Tucson Way, #125, Centennial, CO 80112.

Goodman Metropolitan District Updates:

If you would like to receive updates from the Goodman Metropolitan District regarding the Parks and Trails within The Farm, please contact Allison Hanson at ahanson@wbapc.com or 303-858-1800.

Application Review Procedure of the DRB

In order to try and improve the current homeowner design review request submittal procedure, our DRB has established a process for the receipt, review and response of all future design review requests. The DRB will schedule and convene meetings as necessary to review homeowner applications submitted to the management company, PCMS based upon the following schedule; a) owner applications with all required additional documentation received by the first Friday of the month will be reviewed by the DRB for response to the owner by the third Friday of the month; b) owner applications with all required additional documentation received by the third Friday of the month will be reviewed by the DRB for response to the owner by the first Friday of the month. These schedules are subject to change by the DRB.

Questions on process for submitting architectural or design review plans?

Please note that the e-mail address for all design review requests and inquiries regarding the submittal process at <a href="design:des



EMERGENCY (Police& Fire):

911

Member Notification Information:

Community Legal Name:

The Farm at Arapahoe County Homeowners Association, Inc.

Date Declaration Recorded: March 25, 1998

Fiscal Year: January-December

Assessment: \$52 per month

Assessment Includes: trash removal, social activities, newsletter, common area landscape maintenance and covenant enforcement

Community Representative: Mark L. Eames, PCAM
CAM Lic. No. RM 000001261

Management Company: PCMS Office: 303-224-0004

For Association Issues:

Covenants, HOA Assessments, and Design Review Requests

Address: 7208 S. Tucson Way, Suite 125, Centennial, CO 80112

Fax:

Hours:

303-224-0002

Email: corpoffice@pcms.net

Mon-Thurs 7:30 am - 4:30 pm Fri 7:30 am - 12:30 pm

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Resolve to Garden More

Spending time with plants—whether outside in a large garden, with patio containers, or with house-plants—has been shown to have many health benefits. If being healthier is on your list of resolutions for 2025, gardening is one way to get there! Consider these suggestions month by month.

January

- Peruse seed catalogs—find a vegetable, annual flower, or perennial that you've never grown before!
- 2. Start seeds of native or adapted plants outdoors, either in pots or directly planted in the garden.
- Water trees and shrubs if temperatures are above 40F and the soil is dry. Aim to wet the area deeply over a few hours with a slow soak.
- Check houseplants for signs of pests and disease.

February

- Look in garden beds (yours or others!) for early bulbs like snowdrops, crocus, and snow buttercups, and winter-flowering perennials like hellebores.
- 2. Water trees and shrubs if temperatures are above 40F and the soil is dry.
- In garden beds where early-flowering plants like tulips or daffodils are planted, clean up garden debris and complete cutting back dead perennials to highlight the fresh growth.
- Prune shrubs and trees as needed (avoiding spring "bleeders" and those that flower on old wood, like lilacs.

March

- Finish cleaning up annual and vegetable beds.
- Consider moving certain houseplants outdoors during warm days—but don't forget to bring them back inside at night!
- 3. Start warm season plants like eggplant and peppers from seed indoors.

April

- 1. Start tomatoes and warm-season flowers like petunias from seed indoors.
- 2. Plant cool-season vegetables like radishes, peas, beets, and greens outdoors.
- Check for early season weeds like henbit, cheeseweed, and cheatgrass. Many could already be flowering! (Admire them before tossing!)
- 4. Plant hardened spring annuals and perennials (those that have been acclimated to cold temperatures). Begin to divide perennial grasses and summer-blooming perennials when they begin to push green growth, as needed.

May

- Plant warm-season annuals and vegetables after your area's last frost date.
- 2. Divide and pot-up houseplants. Move some to "summer homes" outside.
- 3. Fertilize house plants and outdoor planters.
- Deadhead bulbs and spring-flowering plants but let the foliage die down naturally.
- Scout outdoor plantings and the vegetable garden for early signs of pest and disease. Look closely for aphids and squash bugs!

June

- Pinch back perennials like black-eyedsusans and asters for denser growth and lengthened flowering season.
- 2. Fertilize house plants.
- 3. Prune spring-flowering shrubs like lilacs once flowering is complete.
- 4. Continue to scout gardens for early signs of pests and disease—catching things early really helps!

July

- Remove the spent flowers from perennials to improve appearance and promote prolonged flowering.
- 2. Fertilize outdoor planters; remove spent flowers regularly.
- 3. Harvest vegetables as they ripen.
- Divide irises once they're done flowering (around the 4th of July)

August

- 1. Plant fall crops like greens and radishes; harvest crops as they ripen.
- 2. Cut back dead stems and spent flowers from perennials; trim back unruly herbs.
- Divide houseplants—consider which ones you can propagate and give as gifts!
- Finish pruning trees and shrubs before night temperatures begin to decline.

September

- Harvest vegetables, and continue to deadhead annuals and perennials.
- Prepare frost protection, which will be needed soon! Bring over-summering house plants back indoors.
- Don't prune unless absolutely necessary (to correct damage, for example)—late pruning can delay trees entering dormancy, making them more susceptible to damage from cold temperatures.
- 4. Plant new perennials and water them thoroughly. Divide spring-flowering perennials no later than this month.

October

- Clean up dead annuals, vegetables, and containers after first frost.
- 2. Plant bulbs—be sure to water them well!
- Remove leaves from the lawn (or mow them into the lawn); consider keeping disease-free leaves as mulch in perennial beds or around trees and shrubs.

November

- Plant indoor bulbs like amaryllis for blooms by late December.
- Wrap young trees with paper tree wrap from ground level to the lowest branches.
- 3. Refresh wood chip mulch in perennial beds and around trees and shrubs.

December

- Cut back perennials as they become unsightly.
- Water trees and shrubs if temperatures are above 40F and the soil is dry.
- 3. Make wreaths with evergreen trimmings.

