

CAÑON CITY COLORADO RELOCATION GUIDE



LIVE WORK PLAY



Greetings!

We're delighted that you're considering joining the wonderful community of residents who call Fremont County home—and we're confident you'll love it here as much as we do. This Relocation Guide was created as a friendly, practical resource to highlight the most-requested information about living, working, and thriving in our region. We also invite you to explore more online at www.royalgorgechamberalliance.org. There, you'll find links to our tourism partner, [Royal Gorge Region](#), where you can request a physical copy or download the annual Visitor Guide. You can also subscribe to our weekly e-Blast to stay informed about events, programs, and promotions throughout Fremont County.

If you're opening or operating a business, the Royal Gorge Chamber Alliance is proud to represent more than 400 members across the region. Founded in 1935 as the Cañon City Chamber of Commerce, we have grown into a revitalized regional alliance that continues to evolve with the opportunities and challenges of a new era. Today, we remain a trusted partner in building strong communities and supporting business success.

- We Create programs and services that bring value to our diverse membership.
- We Connect businesses and individuals to cultivate opportunities for growth and success.
- We Collaborate with businesses, government, education, and strategic partners to drive regional prosperity for all.

Our mission is to promote and connect the businesses of our region by providing a collaborative platform that sparks innovation, opportunity, and growth. We are dedicated to enhancing the abundant resources and quality of life that make the Royal Gorge Region such a remarkable place to live, work, and play.

We're especially excited to welcome you to our newly renovated Visitor Center & Chamber Office located in the historic D&RG Train Depot, right in the heart of our community. Stop in, explore, and let us help connect you with the people, places, and opportunities that make Fremont County shine.

We can't wait to meet you!

Your Alliance Action Team & Board of Directors
816 Royal Gorge Blvd. Canon City CO 81212



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Laurie Haak *Communications Coordinator*

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	Average High	Average Low	Average Precipitation	Average Snowfall
January	49°	19°	0.47"	7"
February	50°	21°	0.38"	6"
March	57°	27°	1.06"	8"
April	64°	34°	1.47"	4"
May	73°	43°	1.64"	1"
June	83°	52°	1.24"	0"
July	89°	58°	1.78"	0"
August	86°	57°	2.05"	0"
September	79°	48°	1.21"	0"
October	68°	37°	0.72"	2"
November	57°	27°	0.80"	6"
December	48°	19°	0.49"	8"

CAÑON CITY COMMUNITY PROFILE

Cañon City has a population of 17,141 and is the county seat of Fremont County, which has a population of 48,939. We sit at the mouth of the “Grand Canyon of the Arkansas”, the Royal Gorge, which attracts thousands of visitors every year. Visitors come from all over the world to visit the Royal Gorge Region. The Arkansas River is the most heavily commercially rafted river in the United States. Rafting along with Gold Medal fishing, mountain bike trails, the Royal Gorge Bridge & Park, Royal Gorge Route Railroad, Winery at Holy Cross Abbey, Museum of Colorado Prisons, Royal Gorge Zipline Tours, Gold Belt Tour, and much more makes Cañon City a thriving tourist destination. We also have several large festivals and events that take place throughout the year which attracts visitors, such as the Music & Blossom Festival, summer Jazz concerts at Macon Plaza, Flashback on Main Street, First Friday Downtown Art Walk, Whitewater Festival, Harvest Festival, and Christmas Parade of Lights. Cañon City is also home to 33 churches, various art galleries, an art center, antique shops, a public library, a historic & regional museum, and a Colorado prison museum housed in a 1935 women’s correctional facility!

Canon City is rich with history including dinosaur fossils and quarries. Skyline Drive, west of Cañon City off of Highway 50, has dinosaur tracks along the ridge. In addition to the Skyline Drive dinosaur footprints we have Garden Park, the home to world famous dinosaur fossil discoveries. For more information on our geology and history, visit the Royal Gorge Regional Museum & History Center at 612 Royal Gorge Boulevard.

The largest employers in the area are the Colorado Department of Corrections who employ over 2,000 people, and the Federal Bureau of Prisons with over 1,000 employees. Centura Health and other health care services employ over 1200 people combined. Holcim is a major manufacturer in our area. Interroll Engineering West and DFC Ceramics are two smaller manufacturers in Cañon City. There are also various smaller manufacturers located at the industrial park at the Fremont County Airport. TechSTART, a community of innovation sector entrepreneurs and remote tech workers, is located downtown. Many employers fill positions through the Colorado Workforce Center located at 3224 Independence Road (Cañon City). Their phone number is (719) 275-7408.

Cañon City is nestled in the valley between the Wet and Sangre de Cristo Mountains which protects us from harsh winter conditions. Cañon City is a semi-arid climate at an altitude of 5,332 feet. We enjoy an average of 325 days of sunshine and approximately 13.5 inches of precipitation. When it does snow, the snow is generally melted away by noon.

Colorado is best known for mountains and a majority of sunny days plus a dry climate. However, because of that, Colorado residents have to irrigate regularly if we wish to have flowers and a nice garden. Even in the winter, we have to give lawns and trees a big drink of water when there’s a period of no moisture and much sun.

17,141
POPULATION

44
MEDIAN AGE

\$46,494
MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME



\$234,600
AVERAGE HOME PRICE



YEAR-ROUND OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

- HIKING
- BIKING
- FLY FISHING
- ROCK CLIMBING
- HORSE BACK RIDING
- RAFTING / KAYAKING



CAÑON CITY HISTORY

After the great inland sea that once covered the entire west was disturbed by violent upheavals, the Arkansas River began to flow to the east. While the river wore a channel, a gentle up thrust continued as the Rocky Mountains were born and grew to their present heights. The river, dropping some 5000 feet in the first 125 miles, cut through the granite rock as it rose, thus severing Fremont Peak which now rises a thousand feet above the surrounding countryside. This erosive action makes the Grand Canyon of the Arkansas, or Royal Gorge as we call it today, one of the most unique canyons of the world because of its having been formed by erosion and not by a fissure from an earthquake.

The Arkansas River, one of the longest in the U.S., is born in the central Colorado Rockies near Leadville and empties into the Mississippi River southeast of Pine Bluff, Arkansas. The river is cutting the gorge deeper at the rate of about one foot every 2,500 years.

The Ute, Sioux, Cheyenne, Kiowa, Blackfoot, and Comanche Indians all frequented the area. Many wintered at the mouth of the Royal Gorge, an area just west of the Territorial Prison facility on the west side of Cañon City, taking advantage of the mild winter climate while bathing in the natural hot spring and rubbing their bodies with oil skimmed from the surface of Oil Creek, now called Fourmile Creek.

Lt. Zebulon Pike was the first white explorer to enter the area and probably built the first permanent structure. Halted in his trek to the headwaters of the Arkansas by the awesome Royal Gorge canyon, in some places as narrow as 50 feet, Lt. Pike headed northwest into South Park.

The area was first claimed as Spanish territory and the area north of the river was purchased from France as a part of the Louisiana Purchase. Mexico, having gained her independence in 1821, laid claim to the area south and west of the river. The Republic of Texas subsequently laid claim to the same area, thus becoming the third foreign country to lay claim to the area. The United States then annexed the area in 1845.

Cañon City was first organized by the Cañon City Claim Club on March 13, 1860. The Cañon City Claim Club was composed of six members who organized to develop coal, iron, gypsum, marble, and granite in the area.

Mr. and Mrs. Anson Rudd arrived in August 1860 and gave birth to Anson Spencer Rudd, the first white child to be born and survive in the area. A census of that year shows 727 residents in the area, 128 of which were female. The original Anson Rudd cabin still stands behind the Municipal Museum. In 1861

residents voted to name the settlement “Town of Canyon City” but the reporter for the meeting used the Spanish Cañon spelling, thus we became Cañon City.

Cañon City was a typical wild western town complete with shootings, hanging and court convened in a room over a saloon, but with no discovery of gold in the area and recruitment of troops for the Civil War, a population decline took place. In 1865, according to Thomas Macon, another founding father of the area, only 25 residents remained.

The first territorial (federal) prison opened on June 1, 1871. After Colorado became a state in 1876, the facility was given to the state of Colorado and became Colorado State Prison.

In the late 1870’s the walls of the spectacular Royal Gorge reverberated with the shots and shouts of the Royal Gorge Railroad War. The Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad and the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad waged a battle to obtain the right-of-way through the gorge.

In 1878, extensive dinosaur remains were discovered north of Cañon City. The world’s first Stegosaurus was discovered in the late 1800’s. Some of those fossils are now in Carnegie Museum, Peabody Museum, Denver Museum of Natural History, and others.

In 1903 the famed Skyline Drive was constructed by convict labor chain gangs. This drive rises 800 feet above Cañon City providing a spectacular view of the area. Dinosaur footprints were discovered on the side of Skyline Drive in 2001.

The Royal Gorge Park is owned by the City of Cañon City through a land patent issued by the United States Congress through the efforts of U.S. Senator Guy U. Hardy. The construction of the Royal Gorge Bridge, 1053 feet above the canyon floor, was proposed to the Cañon City Council by Lon P. Piper of San Antonio, Texas, on April 15, 1929. After depositing \$60,000.00 in local banks to accomplish the task, construction began on June 5, 1929. The construction was completed in five months without a single fatality and no major accidents. Each of the 4,200 wires in the suspension cables was pulled across the gorge one at a time. All the steel was manufactured at Colorado Fuel and Iron Corp. (now Rocky Mountain Steel) in Pueblo, Colorado. The bridge was rehabilitated with new suspension cable ends, new suspender rods, new anchors, and a new stabilization system in 1984.

In the 1970’s the area became a popular area to film movies. *The Cowboys*, starring John Wayne, *The Duchess & the Dirtywater Fox*, starring Goldie Hawn and George Segal, and *How the West was Won*, starring James Arness and Bruce Boxleitner, were filmed in the surrounding area and at Buckskin Joe Frontier Town.

Cañon City has experienced a colorful and exciting past. It pales compared to the promising future which is upon us and immediately before us. Cañon City is a most desirable place to live, work, and play.





THE ARKANSAS RIVER

Just to the North of Buena Vista and South of Leadville, at the beginning of spring on Mount Massive, a small stream fed by melting snow starts trickling down the mountain and feeds into another small stream. This stream becomes a little larger as it gathers and is held at Turquoise Lake. The outlet at Turquoise Lake is the beginning of what will become the Arkansas River. Along the upper range of the 14,000 foot Collegiate Peaks, snow melt is joined in small streams and gathers at Twin Lakes Reservoir where seasonal releases meet with natural flows.

Year-round sporting begins at Granite where Gold Medal fishing on the Arkansas can be found. Commercial raft companies start their whitewater adventures down the Arkansas at Granite. Some of the best whitewater rides can be experienced on the Arkansas through the Royal Gorge. Kayak races are a treat to watch during Salida's FIBARK celebration or Cañon City's Royal Gorge Whitewater Festival at the Whitewater Park in June. Rafting season starts at the first of May and runs through September.

The Ute Indians depended on the water and fish found in the Arkansas. Once the explorers and miners found the Arkansas Valley and the wealth of natural resources it held, communities started to grow.

Cañon City gets water from the Arkansas for the municipal water supply, which is held in a pond just west of the city. Water is treated and piped into Cañon City. It is very fresh and clear. Through the work of river users, State Forest Service, and State Park Service, the Arkansas River corridor became a State Park and is controlled for all users. Officially it is called the Arkansas River State Park. The Arkansas River flows through Pueblo, Pueblo Reservoir, the plains of Otero, Bent, and Prowers Counties into Kansas and ends in the State of Arkansas.

See the Chamber Office for the Arkansas Headwaters & Fishing Brochure. Arkansas River Walk maps are also available.





CALENDAR OF ANNUAL EVENTS

January

Annual Chamber Membership Banquet
Annual FEDC Banquet

February

Chocolate Walk
Gourmet Sampler

March

Fremont's Exceptional Women Banquet
Home and Garden Show
Music & Blossom Festival Queen Pageant

April

Clean Up/Green Up
Fremont County Month
• Royal Gorge Bridge & Park until May 31
Sunrise Service
• Royal Gorge Bridge & Park
• Veterans Park

May

Antique and Classic Car Show at the Abbey
Music & Blossom Festival (first weekend)
Royal Gorge Pro Rodeo
Spring Craft Show at Depot Park
Temple Canyon Hill Climb

June

Art in the Park
Cañon City Car Club Show
Farmers Market on Historic Main St.
• between 4th St and 7th St. in Cañon City
• Thursdays, 4-7pm, June-October
Florence Steampunk & Wine Festival
Jazz at Macon Plaza
• first Friday, 6:30 pm, June-August

July

Back the Blue Bash
Cañon City Fireworks
Flashback on Main
Fourth of July Celebration
• Royal Gorge Bridge & Park
Fremont County Fair
Royal Gorge Whitewater Festival

August

Fireman's BBQ & Dance
Fremont County Fair

September

Chamber Appreciation Party
Fremont County Heritage Days
Harvest Festival
• Winery at Holy Cross Abbey
John Wells Memorial Toy Run
Labor Day Weekend Celebration
• Royal Gorge Bridge & Park

October

Boo at the Bridge
Pasta Party
Spooktacular
Trunk or Treat

November

Turkey Trot / Turkey Bowl

December

Christmas Parade of Lights
Tree Lighting Ceremony

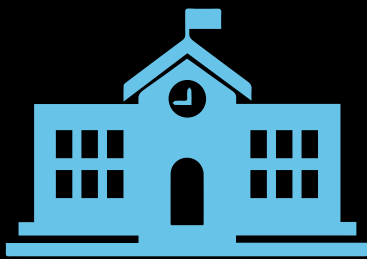
Monthly

First Friday Art Walk
• 5-7pm on Historic Main Street

For a complete calendar of events, please visit our website www.royalgorgechamberalliance.org



INNOVATIVE SCHOOLS



5 CAREER PATHWAYS

- HEALTH AND BUSINESS
- SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AGRICULTURE, MATH (STEAM)
- SKILLED TRADES, SECURITY, INDUSTRY
- ARTS, HOSPITALITY, EDUCATION
- THE TIGER OPEN PATHWAY (TOP)

100%
POST-SECONDARY CAREER PREP

15
AP CLASSES

60+
EARLY COLLEGE COURSES

CAÑON CITY SCHOOLS

District RE-1
www.canoncityschools.org

Administration Building 101 North 14th Street Cañon City, CO 81212 719.276.5700		Auxiliary Services 1030 S. 4th Street Cañon City, CO 81212 719.276.5810	
Maintenance 719.276.5812	Nutrition Services 719.276.5813	Transportation 719.276.5818	Warehouse 719.276.5811

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Cañon Exploratory School • 2855 N. 9th Street • 719-276-6050
Harrison K-8 School • 920 Field Avenue • 719.276.5970
Lincoln School of Science & Technology • 420 Myrtle Avenue • 719.276.5830
McKinley Elementary School • 1240 McKinley Street • 719.276.6010
Mountain View Core Knowledge School • 890 Field Avenue • 719.275.1980
Washington Elementary School • 606 N. 9th Street • 719.276.6090

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Cañon Exploratory School • 2855 N. 9th Street • 719-276-6050
Cañon City Middle School • 1215 Main Street • 719.276.5740
Harrison K-8 School • 920 Field Avenue • 719.276.5970
Mountain View Core Knowledge School • 890 Field Avenue • 719.275.1980

HIGH SCHOOLS

Cañon City High School • 1313 College Avenue • 719.276.5870

ONLINE SCHOOLS

A.I.M. Global School • 915 Main St • 1.855.695.3354 • www.sumedu.website/a-i-m-global
GOAL Academy • 27 Justice Center Rd, Suite M • 1.877.776.4625 xt 006 • www.goalac.org

PUEBLO COMMUNITY COLLEGE (PCC)
FREMONT CAMPUS

Pueblo Community College is a comprehensive community college that offers courses and associate degrees to prepare students for careers or for transfer to a four-year college. The Fremont Campus, located in Cañon City, is part of Pueblo Community College and is housed in a facility that has state-of-the-art technology, small classes, and learning support services for students. The Fremont Campus also provides business and industry training programs.

PCC - Fremont Campus
51320 West Highway 50
Cañon City, CO 81212
719.296.6100
www.pueblocc.edu





FREMONT ADVENTURE RECREATION

Fremont Adventure Recreation is a local non-profit dedicated to supporting outdoor pursuits in Fremont County. FAR's mission is to "promote a culture of community and healthy living through human-powered recreation in the Royal Gorge Region." Through their efforts and coordination with land managers, the region boasts over 62 miles of singletrack trail in four main trail systems. Residents and visitors are encouraged to participate in FAR's running and mountain bike races, volunteer work days, and social activities throughout the year. Pick up one of their trail guides at the Chamber of Commerce or Visitor's Center, or see joinFAR.org for information on local trails, volunteer opportunities, trail conditions, and event registration.

FAR EVENTS

JAN - Resolution Run
FEB - Snow Queen
APR - Adventure Kids Series Starts
MAY - RunBlossom,
Women's MTB Session
JUN - Summer Social
SEP - Gala Fundraiser,
Royal 50
OCT - Point Alta Vista Trail Races
NOV - #optoutside Meetup

CITY PARKS & TRAILS

There are a number of Parks and Trails that are managed by either the City of Cañon City or the Cañon City Area Metropolitan Recreation & Park District. From Splash Pads to Trails, there is something for all ages.

Centennial Park	221 Griffin Ave	river front picnic shelters, restrooms, tennis, basketball, fish pond, fish habitats, interactive playground, baseball, splash pad, white water park, in-river kids play area, boat take-out
Depot Park	816 Royal Gorge Blvd	events area
Dinosaur Flats	Red Canyon Rd	shooting range
Ecology Park	Temple Canyon Rd	ecology, open space, trails
Garden Park	Red Canyon Rd	fossils, geological historical trail
Greydene Park	8th & College	vest pocket grass only
John Griffin Park	575 Ash Ave	1-mile, open space, River Trail and Bluff Trail, riparian areas, vaulted toilets along trail
Hogbacks	Skyline Drive Area	open space rec area, dinosaur footprints, trails
Magdalene Park	5th & Cooper	vest pocket grass only
Margaret Park	5th & Burrage Ave	picnic tables, picnic shelter, playground
Mountain View Park	922 N. Orchard	skate park, pavilion, playground, soccer field
Oil Well Flats	Red Canyon Rd	trails, camping
Phantom Canyon	Phantom Canyon Rd	Gold Belt scenic drive, camping, trails
River Front Rec Area	401 Water St	river access, trail head, playground, fishing pier
Red Canyon Park	Red Canyon Rd	natural mountain park and open space, camping, rock climbing area, picnic areas, vaulted toilets, narrow winding gravel roads, red rock formations
Riverwalk	PCC to MacKenzie	7-miles of trail along the Arkansas River
Rouse Park	1600 Park Ave	sports park with baseball and football fields, restrooms, tennis court, playground, shelters
Royal Gorge Park	County Rd 3A	natural mountain park, open space, camping, trails, picnic areas, vaulted toilets
Rudd Park	12th & College	tennis courts, playground, picnic shelters, restrooms
Schepp Open Space	Colburn Lane	Schepp Ridge, open space, trails
Section 13	Temple Canyon Rd	singletrack trails
South Cañon Trails	Temple Canyon Rd	trails, open space
Temple Canyon Park	Temple Canyon Rd	natural mountain park and open space, camping, picnic areas, vaulted toilets, Grape Creek primitive area, winding narrow gravel road
Tunnel Drive Trail	Tunnel Drive Rd	river trail, picnic tables, handicap access, restrooms
Veterans Park	211 S. 3rd St	events area, stage, restrooms, swings, Visitor's Cabin, summer Farmer's Market





MUSEUM / LIBRARY / ARTS CENTER



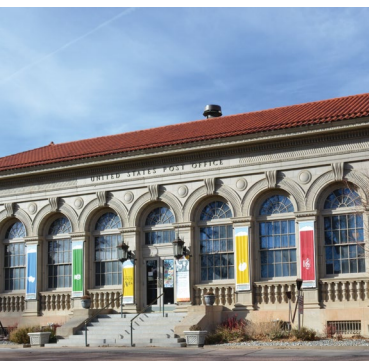
Royal Gorge Regional Museum & History Center
 612 Royal Gorge Boulevard | Canon City, CO 81212
 719.269.9036
historycenter@canoncity.org
museum.canoncity.org

Wednesday–Saturday
 10:00 AM–4:00 PM
 Free Admission



Cañon City Public Library
 517 Macon Avenue | Cañon City, CO 81212
 719.269.9020
ccpl@canoncity.org
www.ccpl.lib.co.us

Monday–Thursday
 9:30 AM–5:00 PM
 Friday & Saturday
 10:00 AM–5:00 PM



Fremont Center for the Arts
 505 Macon Avenue | Canon City, CO 81212
 719.275.2790
fca@fremontarts.org
www.fremontarts.org

Tuesday–Saturday
 10:00 AM–4:00 PM
 Free Admission





LAW ENFORCEMENT



Cañon City Police Department: 161 Justice Center Rd, Cañon City • 719.276.5600

PUBLIC SAFETY

- Animal Control:** 719.276.5519
- Emergencies:** 911
- Escaped Inmate Hotline:** 719.269.5625
- Cañon City Fire Department:** 719.275.8666
- Cañon City Police Department:** 719.276.5600
- Colorado Human Trafficking Hotline:** 866.455.5075
- Colorado State Patrol:** 719.784.3267
- Federal Bureau of Investigation:** 303.629.7171
- Fremont County Sheriff's Office:** 719.276.5555
- Humane Society:** 719.275.0663
- Road Conditions:** 303.639.1111
- Road Construction:** 303.573.7623



Fremont County Sheriff's Office: 100 Justice Center Rd, Cañon City • 719.276.5555





2025 City Council

Preston Troutman, Mayor
Andrea Stein, District 1
Kathy Worthington, District 2
John Hamrick, District 3
Tim Dennehy, District 4
Gerald Meloni, at large
Amy Schmisser, at large
Emily Tracy, at large

Regular city council meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Monday at City Hall at 6:00 pm. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. These meetings are recorded and aired the same day. They are also available for viewing on the City [website](#) and on the City [youtube channel](#).

CAÑON CITY GOVERNMENT

City Administrator Ryan Stevens	719.269.9011
Administrative Assistant Denise Warren.....	719.269.9011
Attorneys	719.269.9011
Building Official Kathy Ulsh	719.276.5253
Cemetery Division Stormy Davis	719.269.9024
City Clerk Cindy Foster Owens	719.269.9011
Code Enforcement / Neighborhood Services Joelene Inman.....	719.276.5600
Economic Development Rick Harrmann	719.276.5279
Engineering Ted Dell	719.269.9011
Equipment Repair Tim Hall.....	719.269.9023
Facility Maintenance Randy Allen.....	719.269.9023
Finance Tammy Nordyke.....	719.269.9011
Grant Writer Brandi Fowler	719.276.5295
Human Resources Butch Batchelder	719.276.5299
Information Technology (IT) Aleizja Owens.....	719.276.5270
Library Kendra McFall.....	719.269.9020
Municipal Court Larry Dean Allen	719.276.5601
Parks & Open Space Rex Brady.....	719.269.9028
Planning & Zoning Patrick Mulready.....	719.276.5294
Police Department Chief John W. Schick	719.276.5600
Public Information Kristy Gotham	719.429.0096
Public Works Leo Evans	719.276.5291
Royal Gorge Regional Museum & History Center Lisa Studts	719.269.9036
Sales and Use Tax Division Bekah Maestas	719.276.5252
Stormwater Division Glenda DeBekker.....	719.276.5265
Street Division Tony Falgien	719.269.9027
Street Permits Daniel Verdonck.....	719.276.5241
Water Billing Keith Williams.....	719.269.9015
Water Department Travis Payne.....	719.269.9019



City Hall
128 Main Street
Cañon City, CO 81212
719.269.9011

Monday – Friday
8:00 am – 5:00 pm



2025 County Commissioners

Kevin Grantham, District 1
Debbie Bell, District 2
Dwayne McFall, District 3

Board Meetings are held twice a month, on the
2nd and 4th Tuesday at 9:00 am. These meetings are recorded
and aired the same day. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

FREMONT COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Justice Center Road | 719.269.0100 | Monday–Friday 7:30 AM–4:30 PM

Department of Human Services	719.275.2318
District/County Court.....	719.269.0100
District Attorney	719.269.0170
Fremont County Sheriff	719.276.5555
Probation Office.....	719.269.0155
Search & Rescue.....	719.275.0169

201 North 6th Street | Monday–Thursday 7:30 AM–5:30 PM

Emergency Management.....	719.276.7422
Public Health & Environment.....	719.276.7450
Weed Control.....	719.276.7317

615 Macon Avenue | 719.276.7300 | Monday–Thursday 7:30 AM–5:00 PM

Animal Control.....	719.276.5519
Assessor.....	719.276.7310
Attorney.....	719.276.7499
Building Department.....	719.276.7460
Clerk & Recorder.....	719.276.7333
Commissioners.....	719.276.7300
Coroner.....	719.276.7358
Election.....	719.276.7340
Engineer.....	719.276.7367
Extension Office.....	719.276.7390
Finance	719.276.7351
Human Resources.....	719.276.7410
Manager	719.276.7410
Motor Vehicle Registration	719.276.7440
Planning & Zoning	719.275.7360
Recording.....	719.276.7336
Treasurer	719.276.7380
Veterans Service Office.....	719.276.7400

1170 Red Canyon Road | 719.276.7430 | Monday–Thursday 6:00 AM–4:30 PM

Department of Transportation.....	719.276.7430
Fleet Services.....	719.269.9930



County Building
615 Macon Avenue
Cañon City, CO 81212
719.276.7300

Monday – Thursday
7:30 am – 5:00 pm



CAÑON CITY CHURCHES

Anshey Hashem Jewish Congregation	2189 Washington	719.275.4343
Apostolic Lighthouse	701 Floral Ave	719.766.5085
Bridge to Life Assembly of God	222 North Orchard Ave	719.275.1035
Calvary Baptist Church	1415 Elm Ave	719.275.6568
Cañon Community Baptist Church	1111 Monroe Ave	719.275.0696
Catalyst Church	890 Field Ave	719.334.0620
Christ Episcopal Church	802 Harrison Ave	719.275.2028
Christian Family Fellowship	1011 Monroe Ave	719.275.1074
Christian Science Society	824 Main Street	719.275.1570
Church at the Abbey	2931 E. HWY 50	719.252.1584
Church of Christ	1718 Franklin Ave	719.275-9696
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	1435 Elm Ave	719.963.4276
Connect Church	1500 N. 10th St	719.275.2303
Evangelical Free Church	3000 East Main St	719.275.6867
Fellowship of Christian Cowboys	120 N 9th St. Suite F	719.275.7636
First Baptist Church	107 North 7th Street	719.275.7486
First Christian Church	320 N. 16th St	719.275.9644
First United Methodist Church	801 Main Street	719.275.0681
Free Methodist Church	501 Griffin Ave	719.275.1654
Grace Family Church	320 N 5th St	719.315.2381
Grandview Christian Church	3245 Grandview Ave	719.269.3930
Greydene Independent Baptist Church	333 Greydene Ave	719.275.0449
Healing Waters Church	614 South 4th Street	719.275.3722
Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness	1314 South 9th Street	719.275.8015
Life Way Baptist Church	1007 Elm Ave	719.275.8074
Lincoln Park Church of the Nazarene	1301 McKinley Street	719.275.1324
Living Stone Calvary Chapel	830 Bridge Street	719.276.0863
Living Word Foursquare Church	1710 Mariposa Road	719.290.2299
Mercy Today Ministries	1336 Elm Street	719.276.9242
Mountainview Baptist Church	2189 Washington St	719.371.2189
Mountain View Community Church	200 Justice Center Rd	719.345.3336
Royal Gorge Vineyard Church	629 Harrison St	719.315.4769
Skyline Mennonite Church	1330 Harrison Ave	719.429.4162
St. John Lutheran Church	790 Greydene Ave	719.275.0111
St. Michael's Catholic Church	1016 Mystic Ave	719.275.7549
Shepherd of the Hills Church	801 Sheridan Ave	719.275.6797
Valley Chapel/Jubilee Church	451 Valley Road	719.431.2070
The Vineyard	245 South Raynolds Ave	719.269.3695





HEALTH / MEDICAL SERVICES

CENTURA HEALTH URGENT CARE

3245 East Highway 50 | 719.285.2888
Monday–Friday 8:00 AM–7:00 PM
Saturday–Sunday 9:00 AM–3:00 PM

HEALTHTRAC WALK-IN CLINIC

127 Justice Center Rd # J | 719.269.1136
Monday–Saturday 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

201 North 6th Street | 719.276.7450
Monday–Thursday 7:30 AM–5:30 PM
Blood Lead Screenings • CPR/First Aid Certification • Flu Vaccine • Healthy Communities
• HIV & Hep C Testing • Immunizations • Tuberculin (TB) Skin Tests • Used Syringe Drop-off

ST. THOMAS MORE HOSPITAL

1338 Phay Avenue | 719.285.2000
Community Blood Bank • Diagnostics • Emergency Medicine • Family Practice • Internal Medicine • Level IV Trauma Center & Emergency Room • Ophthalmology • Orthopedics • Osteopathy • Otolaryngology • Pediatrics & OB/GYN • Radiology • Rehabilitation Therapies • Sleep Studies Program • Surgery • Urology • Visiting Services for Cardiology and Oncology

SOLVISTA HEALTH PRIMARY CARE CLINIC

3225 Independence Road | 719.275.2351
Monday–Thursday 8:00 AM–6:00 PM
Friday 8:00 AM–5:00 PM

VALLEY-WIDE HEALTH CLINIC

121 N 6th Street | 719-275-2301
Monday–Friday 7:15 AM–5:00 PM

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

ROCKY MOUNTAIN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

3239 Independence Road
719.275.7650
Monday–Thursday 7:30 AM–6:00 PM
Friday 7:30 AM–5:00 PM
Saturday 8:00 AM–12:30 PM

SOLVISTA HEALTH

3225 Independence Road
719.275.2351
Monday–Thursday 8:00 AM–6:00 PM
Friday 8:00 AM–5:00 PM



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Fixed Base Operator
719.784.3816

Automated Weather
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Airport Manager
Wes Brandt

FREMONT COUNTY AIRPORT

Located only 30 miles from Pueblo, 38 miles from Colorado Springs and 120 miles from Denver, the Fremont County Airport is located within minutes of Colorado’s larger commercial and general aviation airports.

The Airport has been the focal point of tremendous growth and new industrial development in Fremont County. A continuous effort is being made to expand for additional aircraft, upgrade taxiways and services, and provide for increased industrial sites in the adjoining Airport Industrial Park.

The general aviation airport has GPS approach for lighted runway 11-29. The 5,400 foot long by 75 foot wide runway has a field elevation of 5,439. The airport is open 24 hours daily. 100LL AV fuel, major airframe and power plant repairs and most important...Jet Fuel.

Aircraft, skydiving and flight training is available, as well as rental or charter aircraft, sightseeing flights, skydiving and soaring.

HISTORIC MAIN STREET

The Cañon City Downtown Commercial District composes the historic commercial core of the city. The eighty buildings, located within an approximate five block area along Main Street, and listed on the National Historic Register, form a continuous, cohesive grouping that reflects the development of Cañon City as a regional commercial center.

The buildings express a quality of design and richness of detail which defines the district as the best collection of late 19th and early 20th century commercial structures in the county. Rich in history, Cañon City was originally a favorite trading spot for hunters and trappers because of the mild climate, hot springs, and tolerant Indians.

Today, our downtown blends its historic charm with new breweries, boutiques, art galleries, coffee shops, and dining. It’s also nestled with convenient access to museums, the library, healthcare services, and outdoor recreation with the Royal Gorge Railroad and Arkansas Riverfront corridor a mere block away.

Be sure and stop by the Chamber to pick up your self guided Walking Tour Brochure of this historic area and be sure to stop into our unique storefronts as you explore!





Cañon City Economic Development

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BUSINESS RELOCATION INFO

Cañon City is a land of opportunity for companies looking to startup or expand in Colorado. With lower wage levels compared to other parts of the state, improving and expanding job training programs, an excellent climate, readily available land, excellent transportation connections, and over 8 million visitors to southeast Colorado, we hope that you will find Cañon City ideal for your business.

Our aim in Cañon City is to assist prospective business owners in opening their business in our community. While there is information available on the City website, we encourage you to contact Cañon City's Economic Development office early in the process to ensure the most efficient use of your time. The Economic Development office is the one stop shop to help connect you to the relevant resources and departments for your project. If you have questions at any point in the process, please contact Rick Harrmann at (719) 276-5279 for additional information. We want you to succeed in Cañon City.

If you are locating a business in Fremont County and need assistance, Fremont Economic Development Corporation (FEDC) is a great resource. FEDC, a public/private partnership, focusing its resources on the development of primary jobs through attraction of new industry, retention/ expansion of existing industry and assistance to entrepreneurial business.

Local business resources include, a business development incubator, enterprise zone tax credits, Small Business Development Center assistance, Small Business Administration loan program, Workforce Development Center assistance, and Pueblo Community College-Fremont Campus. FEDC TechSTART is a technology accelerator that helps support remote professionals and attract additional technology-based businesses.

Contact Cañon City's Economic Development office to start the conversation about relocating your business today.

1. Register your business with the Colorado Secretary of State.
2. Fill out an application for approval by the Sales/Use Tax Department and the Office of Planning and Zoning.
3. Businesses may also need to work with the City Clerk's office to obtain specialized licenses.
4. Building permits are required under the International Building Code as adopted by the City Council.
5. Cañon City is divided into Zoning Districts, each of which is designated for a primary use (residential, commercial or industrial).
6. Businesses that plan to use Forest Service Land (USFS), State Park (AHRA), or Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land must secure permits from those agencies.
7. Pueblo Community College Fremont Campus is the local community college and is a local workforce training partner with set curriculum and customizable training.
8. Colorado Small Business Hotline: (303) 592-5920





STATE OF COLORADO OFFICES

Colorado National Guard	100 Main St	719.330.1285
Colorado Workforce Center	3224 Independence Rd	719.275.7408
Colorado State Government	3224 Independence Rd	719.275.6865
Division of Motor Vehicle	127 Justice Center Rd	719.275.5617
Royal Gorge Field Office (BLM)	3028 E Main St	719.269.8500

FEDERAL OFFICES

Bureau of Land Management	3028 E Main St	719.269.8500
Social Security Office	115 N 10th St	800.772.1213
U.S. Army Recruiting Station	127 Justice Center Rd	719.275.2691
U.S. Forest Service	3028 E Main St	719.275.6865
U.S. Navy Recruiting	105 S 9th St	719.275.6763
U.S.D.A. Service Center	248 Dozier Ave	719.275.4263

POST OFFICES AND ZIP CODES

Cañon City	81212	1501 Main St	719.275.6877
P.O. Boxes	81215	1501 Main St.	719.275.6877
Branch Office	81212	1410 Elm	719.275.0444
Coal Creek	81221	201 Coal Creek Dr.	719.784.4336
Coaldale	81222	16081 US Hwy 50	719.942.4275
Cotopaxi	81223	123 County Rd. 12	719.942.4100
Florence	81226	121 N Pikes Peak	719.784.3818
Howard	81233	9232 US Hwy 50	719.942.3465
Penrose	81240	15 Wermer Road	719.372.6333
Rockvale	81244	615 Railroad	719.784.4250

PUBLIC UTILITIES

GAS

AtmosEnergy.....	888.286.6700
**For emergency.....	866-322-8667

ELECTRIC

Arkansas Valley Electric.....	719.942.3672
Black Hills Energy.....	888.890.5554
BrooksideElectric.....	719.275.4794
Sangre De Cristo Electric Association In.....	800.933.3823

WATER

Cañon City Water Department.....	719.269.9015
Park Center Water District.....	719.275.2055
FremontSanitation.....	719.269.9050

INTERNET

Bysky Inc.....	719.285.4706
Century Link:	
Residence.....	888.793.7849
Business.....	866.477.6375
Spectrum (Charter).....	866.200.6210
Cityless Internet Services, LLC.....	719.371.2619
SECOM, Inc.....	719.383.1349
Spring Mobile/ATT&T.....	719-285-4288

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Republic Services.....	719.275.6955
Apex/Twin Enviro.....	719.372.6671

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Golden Shuttle/Fremont County Transit.....	719.275.5177
Fremont County Cab Service.....	719.784.2222





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