



## Celebrating innovation

Happy spring! Are you ready for next week's **awards celebration**? This is **your event** — the Board of Directors hosts the gala beginning at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10 at the Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado Convention Center. We're especially excited to recognize a distinguished group of individuals, organizations and projects that have made our region thrive! If you meant to register but haven't, tomorrow is your final opportunity to [let Connie know](#) you'll be attending.

As a reminder, the Board opted to **cancel tomorrow's work session and Performance and Engagement Committee meetings**. As the next major milestone in the [2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program](#) process, subregional forum representatives will present their proposed project portfolios at the **Wednesday, April 17, Board of Directors meeting**. You won't want to miss it!

Douglas W. Rex  
Executive Director



**THRIVE!**  
BOLD VISIONS. BRIGHT FUTURES.

Did you miss your chance to register?

Our annual awards celebration is just around the corner!

I hope you are planning to be there — this signature spring event is hosted by the DRCOG Board of Directors. Next Wednesday, April 10, we'll gather at the Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado Convention Center to honor collaboration, innovation and partnership.

We're anticipating 450 business, community and civic leaders will attend. Gov. Jared Polis will deliver our keynote address. We'll recognize recipients of the Way to Go Champion, Distinguished Service and Metro Vision awards, and this year's recipient of the John V. Christensen Memorial Award.

The celebration begins with a social hour at 6 p.m., then continues with dinner and the awards program at 7 p.m.

**Note:** If you missed your chance to register or sponsor a table, we have **just a few** spots remaining. Please contact [Connie Garcia](mailto:Connie.Garcia@DRCOG.org) (303-480-6701) no later than **4 p.m. Wednesday, April 3.**



## New to the Board or need a refresher? Attend the April 25 Board orientation!

Are you a recently elected official or new to the DRCOG Board of Directors? Or maybe it has been a few years since you've attended an orientation?

Join us Thursday, April 25, for Board orientation, an introduction to DRCOG!

City and county managers and key staff are also welcome.

## Board orientation

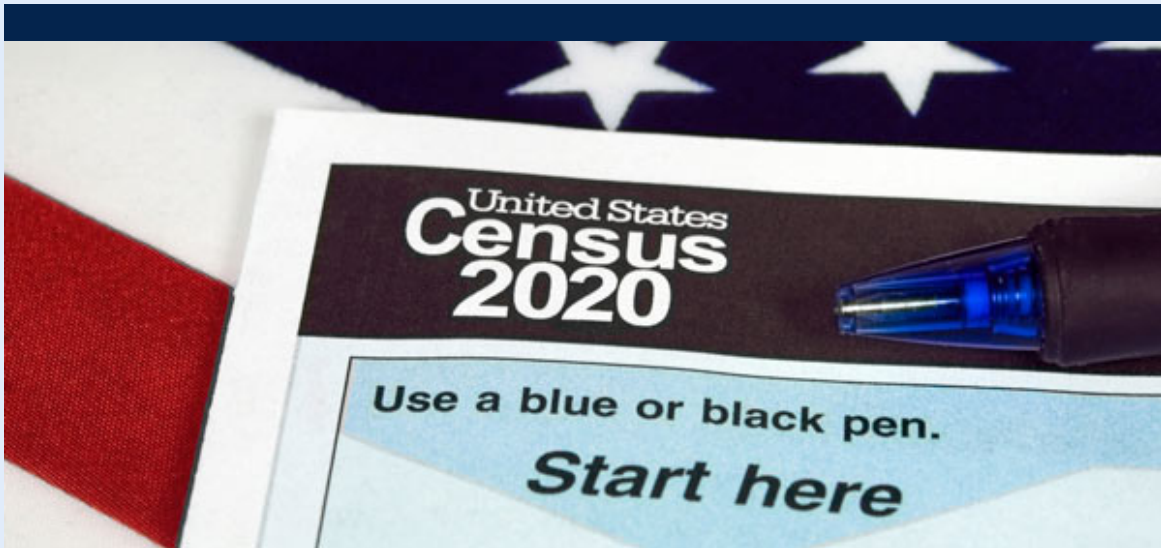
4 p.m., Thursday, April 25

Red Rocks conference room (seventh floor)

1001 17th St., Suite 700

Denver, CO 80202

Please RSVP to [Connie Garcia](#) (303-480-6701) by Monday, April 22.



## Census webinar

It's less than a year until the 2020 census! To prepare, DRCOG is hosting an online-only [Metro Vision Idea Exchange webinar](#) at 12:30 p.m., Monday, April 8.

Members at the March Advisory Committee on Aging meeting were particularly interested in how an accurate count affects federal funding formulas for our state's Older Americans Act allocations.

[Register](#)

Tune in to learn about complete count efforts in our region and state. Attendees will share strategies to make local counts as accurate as possible. They will learn about census changes since 2010, how the U.S. Census Bureau plans to conduct the count, the importance of counting every person, how to get involved in statewide and regional census efforts and key cross-sector partnerships.

Speakers will include:

- Lily Griego, partnership coordinator, U.S. Census Bureau
- Cassie Heykoop, media specialist, U.S. Census Bureau
- Natriece Bryant, deputy director, Colorado Department of Local Affairs
- Kaye Kavanagh, census coordinator, City and County of Denver
- Rosemary Rodriguez, executive director, Together We Count
- Gillian Winbourn, project director, Together We Count

For more information, contact Kevin Priestley at [mvie@drcog.org](mailto:mvie@drcog.org) or 303-480-6769.

**Congratulations, Lynn!**



In the March newsletter, I congratulated Herb Atchison, immediate past chair, and Lynn Baca for their five years of service on the DRCOG Board. She missed the February meeting — so we were pleased to have Lynn at our March meeting, where chair Bob Fifer formally recognized her service and presented her with a commemorative carving. Thank you, Lynn!



# Bike to Work Day: Mark your calendars!

Bike to Work Day is just three months away! Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, June 26**, when our region will rally its residents to try a two-wheeled commute.

We're kicking off regionwide event planning with a **Bike to Work Day open house** later this month! It's an opportunity for your community's companies and bike-friendly organizations to kick off their plans for hosting a station, encouraging employee participation and reaching out to the public. Please spread the word among your networks!

## **Bike to Work Day open house**

7:30 to 10 a.m., Tuesday, April 23

Aspen conference room (first floor)

1001 17th St., Denver, CO 80202

[Register](#)

**Did you know?** Colorado's legislature designated June as **Colorado Bike Month**. Due to our unpredictable spring weather, we celebrate a month later than other states.

## Calendar

April 3

2020-2023 TIP Process - Denver Subregional Forum-  
Technical Committee

Webb Municipal Building, 11 a.m.

Executive Committee

canceled

Board work session

canceled

Performance and Engagement Committee

canceled

## April 4

2020-2023 TIP Process - Denver Subregional Forum

City and County Building,  
1 p.m.

## April 5

2020-2023 TIP Process - Boulder County Subregional  
Forum

Transportation Department, 1 p.m.



# April 8

DRCOG/Metro Mayors Caucus Regional Transportation  
Funding work group

Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce, 11:30 a.m.

Metro Vision Idea Exchange webinar - One Year to National  
Census Day.

online only, 12:30 p.m.

# April 9

Regional Transitions Committee

DRCOG, noon

# April 10

Awards Celebration: Thrive!

Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado Convention Center, 6 p.m

# April 16

Regional Transportation Committeee Agenda Briefing

DRCOG, 8 a.m.

Regional Transportation Committee

DRCOG, 8:30 a.m.

## April 17

Executive Committee

DRCOG, 4:30 p.m.

Finance and Budget Committee

DRCOG, 6 p.m.

Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Updates to the Metro Vision Plan, and to the Metro Vision Regional Transportation Plan and Associated Air Quality Conformity Documents

DRCOG, 6:30 p.m.

Board of Directors

DRCOG, 6:30 p.m.

## April 19

Advisory Committee on Aging

DRCOG, noon

# April 23

[Bike to Work Day 2019 open house](#)

DRCOG, 7:30 a.m.

# April 24

[Agency Coordination Team/Air Quality Interagency  
Consultation Group](#)

DRCOG, 9 a.m.

[Regional Transportation Operations Working Group](#)

DRCOG, 1:30 p.m.



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