

Spring 2019 Westminster Sustainability Highlights

(Primary Sustainability Elements: EN = Environment; EC = Economy; C = Community)

Description	Primary Partners	Sustainability Elements	Status
Conducting Turf Reduction project with conversion of 21 acres to low maintenance drought tolerant grasses. Estimated that 13m gallons of water saved annually.	PRL	EN, EC, C	Ongoing
Delivering City-generated "hard to recycle" materials to SustainAbility Arvada, rather than landfilling	GS	EN, EC	Ongoing
Reducing water use for HOAs, including field trips to HOAs that converted to low water plants.	PRL, PWU	EN	Ongoing
Held Shot Spot low cost vaccination and licensing clinic in the City Hall/PSC parking lot for dogs/cats	PD	C	Done
Held Lawnmower Exchange event in Downtown; 154+ gas mowers were exchanged for electric	CMO, PWU, Regional Air Quality Council	EN	Done
Held a workshop at College Hill Library on May 15th called Reduce the Use: Minimizing Plastic in Everyday Life	PRL	EN	Done
Budgeted Community Development Block Grants to double the size of the Emergency and Essential Home Repair Program for low-income households.	ED	C	Done
Installed LEDs in one-quarter of City streetlights	Xcel Energy, GS, PWU	EN, EC	Done
Donated Holly Park property to create a community land trust and build 58 affordable for-sale townhomes.	ED	EC, C	Done
Completed the Drought Management Plan	PWU	EN, EC, C	Done
Identified new water treatment facility site	PWU	EN, EC, C	Done
Hired Transportation Planner	CD	EN, EC, C	Done

Converted the Firearms Range shack (small classroom/staging area) to 100% solar with a battery charging system and lights	PD	EN, EC, C	Done
Held Working Group Kick-off meeting for the development of the Sustainability Plan	CMO	EN, EC, C	Done
Held Electric Vehicle Ride-and-Drive event on Earth Day at City Park Rec Center (10 vehicles displayed)	CMO, PRL, Regional Air Quality Council	EN	Done
Promoted Small Business Lighting Campaign in Historic Westminster with Xcel Energy.	CMO, ED, Xcel, Westminster Chamber	EN, EC, C	Done
Completed the first-ever community greenhouse gas inventory. Also completed a municipal operations inventory	CMO	EN, EC, C	Done
Added Westbury Apartments as Westminster's 135th customer/site for reclaimed water. The City has more reclaimed customers than any other city in the state.	PWU	EN, EC	Done
Completed the first-ever Stormwater Utility Annual Report	CD	EN, EC, C	Done
Received a national American Council of Engineering Companies Honor Award in the Water Resources category for Westminster Station	CD, ED, PRL	EN, EC, C	Done
Distributed 2,800 cubic yards of wood mulch for residents to use for water retention, carbon sequestration and landscaping (Mar – June)	PRL Forestry	EN, C	Ongoing
Educated 1,000 local 5th grade students on water issues at annual water festival	PWU, Northglenn, Thornton	EN, C	Done