Metro Districts:
Building communities with amenities people love.

Millions of Coloradans are past, current, or future residents of one of 1,800+ metro districts in the state, which offer amenities people desire and public infrastructure they depend on for a functioning neighborhood.

- Amenities include parks and open spaces, trees and landscaping, trails and bike paths, playgrounds, community gardens, pools and rec centers, and much more.
- Public infrastructure includes streets, traffic mitigation, safe crosswalks, sidewalks, water and sewer lines and connections, and much more.

Responding to the surging demand for homes.

- In the next 7 years, Colorado needs to build 500,000 more places for people to live, including apartments, condos, duplexes, townhomes, and single-family homes.
- Metro districts create more affordable housing options by serving as a cost-effective public financing tool to build large-scale housing developments.
- Many metro districts are found in suburban and rural areas, where demand for new homes is high – given the availability and affordability of land.

Ensuring growth pays its own way.

- Residents of metro districts enjoy greater amenities while paying higher property taxes – a system that ensures their non-metro district neighbors are not unduly burdened.
- Our towns and cities can't cover those costs due to TABOR restrictions.
- Without metro districts, these new communities and homes would not exist.

Providing assurance through local and state regulations.

- A metro district is a form of local government that cannot form without approval from a local elected city council or county commission.
- Once formed, metro districts must adhere to local policies controlling limits on taxation, fees, and services and state laws on transparency and accountability.
- Homeowners also have oversight. They may attend public meetings and run for office, allowing them to influence metro district operations and financing.

Learn more about our work at www.metrodistricteducation.com.

The Metro District Education Coalition is a nonprofit, nonpartisan network of financial, legal, and technical experts who provide expertise on metro districts. We promote improved transparency and accountability on behalf of homeowners and advocate for best practices in the formation and operations of metro districts.

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