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Loveland Police recruiting for cadet program

Loveland youth: Are you a motivated young leader with a passion for serving your community? The Loveland Police Department Youth Cadets Program is looking for dedicated individuals to join our team! As a cadet, you'll gain handson experience in law enforcement, develop leadership skills, and work alongside officers to make a real impact in Loveland.

This program is more than just training, it's a pathway to personal and professional growth. Cadets participate in ride-alongs, community events, and scenario-based exercises. These activities build confidence and responsibility, all of which prepare you for the state and national competitions which showcase the hard work and professionalism of our cadet post. Whether you're considering a future in law enforcement or simply want to serve your community in a meaningful way, this is your opportunity to be part of something bigger.

Take the first step towards an exciting and rewarding journey. Join the **Loveland Police Department Youth** Cadets and make a difference today! Apply now and become the future of law enforcement.



Trail opens at Wild Natural Area, offering access to nature and recreation

Nature lovers, hikers, and anglers have a new place to explore in Loveland. A brand-new, half-mile soft-surface trail and trailhead at the Wild Natural Area is now open to the public, giving our community another great opportunity to connect with the outdoors.

Located on the west side of Loveland along Highway 34 at Glade Road, Wild Natural Area spans 26 acres of pristine open space along the Big Thompson River. The City of Loveland acquired the property in 2012 with a vision to preserve its upland meadows, protect habitat along the river's edge, and maintain an essential wildlife corridor.

With the completion of the new soft-surface trail, visitors can enjoy a scenic walking route for hiking, fishing, and wildlife watching. Anglers with a valid Colorado Fishing License are welcome to fish along the north riverbank and those interested in watching wildlife can spot everything from songbirds and raptors to wild turkeys, mink, elk, and deer. Visitors are reminded to give wildlife space and watch them from a distance.

For easy access, a small parking area is available from sunrise to sunset at the intersection of Highway 34 and Glade Road. Leashed dogs are welcome on the trail, and pet owners are reminded to pick up after their furry friends.

This project was made possible through Loveland's share of the Larimer County Open Space Tax, along with transportation grant funding that supported the installation of a new traffic signal at Glade Road.

To date, the City of Loveland's Open Lands and Trails program has conserved over 5,000 acres of open space.

Ready to explore, learn and have fun? Visit lovgov.org/OpenLands to learn more about Loveland's open lands and trails.



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Stay connected, secure, and clear: Pulse Voice Service

Home phone service is often overlooked in our increasingly mobile world. However, for peace of mind, safety, and convenience, VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) home phone service, like that offered by Pulse Fiber, provides a reliable communication lifeline.

Reliability and Safety: Cellular networks may become congested or fail during power outages or natural disasters, but home phone service can maintain communication, especially when paired with a battery backup. Pulse Voice ensures 911 reliability with enhanced address location features, which is vital for emergency responders. Plus, features like call blocking and spam protection add an extra layer of security, protecting you from unwanted interruptions.

A Crucial Backup: A home phone can be a lifesaver for dependable communication, and not only during emergencies. The stability of a wired connection through Pulse's fiber network means service isn't affected by location, weather, or network congestion (like cell phones can be). There is no need to worry about dropped calls or spotty coverage – you can connect with your loved ones when it matters most.

Enhanced Features: Home phone service extends beyond the act of simply making calls. Pulse Voice includes tons of features at no extra cost, including voicemail-to-email, call forwarding, anonymous call rejection, and 3-way calling. Customers can keep their current telephone number and enjoy unlimited local and long-distance calling. International calling is also available at fair rates.

Quality and Clarity: Pulse Internet's fiber network, with its low latency and jitter, plus VoIP technology's high-fidelity audio, makes calls exceptionally clear. Even when multiple devices are using the internet, you'll experience clear, consistent call quality.

Learn more about Pulse home phone service at PulseFiber.org/Voice.







Summer Kickoff at the Loveland Public Library Join us for an afternoon on the Library Lawn to connect with the

community and register for the 2025 Summer Learning Program. Enjoy activities and get ready for a summer of learning. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held inside the library.

Friday, May 23 | 1:00-4:00 PM 300 N Adams Ave, Loveland, CO



Solution Loveland Public Library

Sustaining our future: how Loveland is reducing water usage

As Loveland's population grows, you might expect water consumption to rise at a similar pace. But here's the twist: water usage per person in Loveland has steadily declined, resulting in significant water conservation. In fact, since 2012, the amount of water the city produces annually has actually decreased, despite our growing community. How is this possible? It's all thanks to a winning combination of water conservation programs, city-wide education, innovative technology and responsible customers like you, who work together to keep our water usage in balance.

In celebration of Earth Day, we'd like to highlight some of the innovative technologies and programs utilized by Loveland Water and Power (LWP) to conserve this precious resource.



Hydrozone Program: Launched in 2007, the Hydrozone Program promotes water-efficient landscaping for properties with a dedicated irrigation meter. Currently, the program includes 53 active hydrozones across 83 irrigation meters, covering a diverse range of properties such as HOAs, medical centers, apartment complexes and businesses. Notable participants include the Medical Center of the Rockies and Willow Bend Park. The Hydrozone Program has saved an estimated 672 million gallons of water to date.

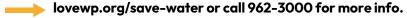
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Water AMI: With Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) coming to Loveland, you'll be able to monitor your water consumption in real time. This technology will help you identify and stop leaks, promoting more efficient water use and reducing waste.



Residential Programs: LWP partners with Resource Central to offer programs that reduce your home's water consumption and lower your bills. Programs like **Lawn Replacement** and **Garden in a Box** transform water-thirsty lawns into beautiful, waterwise gardens, saving an estimated 300,000 gallons of water last year. Additionally, **Slow the Flow** offers free sprinkler evaluation to identify problem areas and create a more efficient watering system. Customers are encouraged to take advantage of these programs and make a significant impact on our city's water consumption.





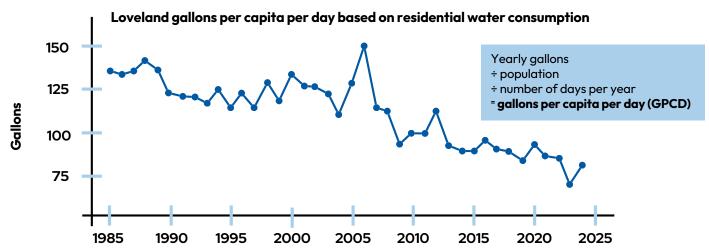
Rebate Programs: Indoor appliances like washing machines, toilets and water heaters can significantly affect water usage. LWP collaborates with Efficiency Works to provide rebates on more efficient household appliances, helping you reduce water and save more money.



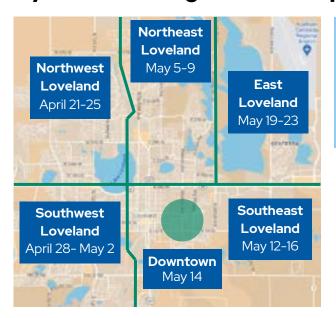


Filter Technology: LWP uses advanced filter smart technology to optimize our backwash filters, ensuring that your water is clean and safe while reducing water usage by 10 million gallons a year. Wow!

These initiatives not only conserve water but also support our community's sustainable growth. Every small action counts—whether it's replacing an old appliance, participating in a conservation program or simply being mindful of your water consumption. Together, we can create a future where every drop counts!



Hydrant flushing will occur April 21-May 23



During hydrant flushing, brief water discoloration can occur. Rest assured, Loveland's water continues to meet or exceed all state and federal standards set by the Safe Drinking Water Act. If you notice discolored water, simply run your tap until it clears up. For more information, visit lovewp.org/hydrantflushing.



Pipe savvy: smart tips to keep your plumbing flowing

By following these clever tips, you'll keep your pipes in tip-top shape and avoid costly plumbing nightmares!



Detect and defend against leaks

Did you know that up to 10% of homes have leaks that can waste 90 gallons or more a day? Take a moment to inspect your toilets, faucets and showerheads for leaks. For handy checklists and fun videos, visit epa.gov/watersense/fix-leak-week. Also, swing by the Loveland Water and Power service center at 200 North Wilson Avenue for dye tabs that make spotting toilet leaks a breeze.



Wipe out wipes

Don't be fooled by labels claiming "flushable"—no wipes are truly flushable! Unlike toilet paper, these impostors won't break down in water, leading to pesky clogs and hefty repair bills. The only thing that should take the plunge is human waste and toilet paper. Everything else goes straight to the trash can.



FOG no more

Fats, oils, and grease (FOG) are the sworn enemies of your pipes. Your garbage disposal can't handle them; they'll just solidify and create chaos. Make sure to dispose of these culprits properly by letting your greasy substances cool and solidify in a container before tossing them in the trash.



Mind your drains

To prevent drain clogs, consider using drain strainers in sinks and tubs to catch hair and food particles.

It's Drinking Water Week: May 4-10

Get ready to celebrate Drinking Water Week from May 4-10! Join us on social media @LovelandWaterandPower as we dive into the science that guarantees every drop of drinking water is clean and refreshing, while highlighting the amazing professionals who ensure it makes its journey from treatment to testing to your tap. Visit lovewp.org/drinking-water to explore how your water is transformed into the refreshing drink you rely on every day!



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