
Arvada, CO

Olde Town Square



City of Arvada Web Site

<http://arvada.org/>

The first documented discovery of gold in the Rocky Mountain region occurred on June 22, 1850, when Lewis Ralston, a Georgia prospector headed for the California gold fields, dipped his sluice pan into a small stream near its mouth at Clear Creek.

In 1870, the Colorado Central Railroad laid tracks through the area on its route from Golden to link up with the Kansas Pacific Railroad and the Denver Pacific Railroad at Jersey Junction, 3 miles north of Denver. A town was created along the railroad,

eventually being named Arvada in honor of Hiram Arvada Haskin. The town of Arvada was formally incorporated in the state of Colorado on August 14, 1904. A vibrant agricultural community, it claimed the title "Celery Capital of the World."

Arvada grew rapidly during the latter half of the 20th century as a suburb of nearby Denver, the state capital. It became a Statutory City on October 31, 1951, and a Home Rule Municipality on July 23, 1963. By the end of the millennium, the population of Arvada exceeded 100,000.

About Arvada

The City of Arvada is a Home Rule Municipality located in Jefferson and Adams counties in the state of Colorado. Olde Town Arvada is located 7 miles (11 km) northwest of the Colorado State Capitol in Denver.

The United States Census Bureau estimates that the population of Arvada was 107,361 on July 1, 2008.

It is the seventh most populous city in the state of Colorado and the 235th most populous city in the United States.

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