



**Addressing:**  
 affordability, career development, education, economic development, infrastructure funding gaps, natural systems, connectivity, health and food, community empowerment

**Fast Facts**

- 6,400 acres
- 63,000 residents
- 21,000 existing housing units
- 5,000 planned housing units

# West Denver, CO



**CityCraft Services:** CityCrafting Phase 1 and 2: Discovery and Implementation Framework

The West Denver Project is a partnership with the City and County of Denver, The Gates Family Foundation, Denver Housing Authority, The Denver Foundation and Enterprise Community Partners to assess the potential for West Denver to be a model for sustainable and resilient urban regeneration at the district scale. Utilizing the CityCrafting process, the partnership is bringing together a broad group of stakeholders from the public, private and nonprofit sectors to focus on regeneration and restoration of financial, natural, physical and social capital.

West Denver is challenged to maintain and improve a place of opportunity for existing residents in the face of uncertain economic and social conditions. Despite its close proximity to downtown, much of West Denver is isolated physically, psychologically and economically. Contributing to the isolation is the lack of road connectivity, the Platte River,

gulches, and post-industrial sites. West Denver possesses a variety of existing assets that, if aligned in a long-term integrative manner, could act as a model for urban regeneration for the Denver region and beyond. The West Denver Restoration Initiative explores how development, catalysts, existing organizations and efforts, the mosaic of cultures, location, young population, and natural systems could be brought together to support improvements that are sustainable and resilient.

*A long-term, collective impact, integrated approach for restoring the economic, environmental, & social health of West Denver through the efforts of local minds & hands*