

WELCOME TO EVERGREEN

Over a hundred years ago a pioneer and his family drove their covered wagon across the mid-western plains and began the difficult ascent into the Rocky Mountains. Soon they brought their little caravan to a halt, awe-struck at the magnificent stands of timber, the clear streams and lush meadows that lay on every side. To them it was the most beautiful spot they had ever seen. They stayed on to establish the town that is the Evergreen we know today, a community famous for its natural beauty, clear skies and friendly people. Proud of its past, but very much a part of today, Evergreen is a delightful place to live or visit.

POPULATION

Evergreen's population is approximately 25,000 people in the six mile radius of Evergreen Lake.

MEDICAL FACILITIES

The Buffalo Park Medical Center and the Evergreen Family Health Center with its 24-hour Emergency Medical Clinic provides full scale medical services. The St. Anthony's Hospital Flight for Life Helicopter and two Evergreen volunteer ambulances are available on 24-hour call.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

The First National Bank, The Bank of Evergreen, First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Capital Federal Savings and Loan, Evergreen National Bank, Bergen National Bank, and Evergreen Industrial Bank, offer full financial service to the community.

RECREATION

Evergreen is virtually surrounded by the lovely Denver Mountain Parks System, which offers ice skating and fishing at Evergreen Lake, picnicking and hiking trails. The Jefferson County Open Space System includes Means Meadow, Alderfer 3 Sisters wilderness area, and Hiwan Homestead. The Evergreen Recreation District maintains a year-round indoor pool and offers classes in tennis, swimming, golf, aerobics classes, and more. There is an 18-hole public golf course near the lake plus the internationally famous Hiwan Golf Club. The Evergreen Athletic Club offers racquetball, tennis, nautilus and an outdoor swimming pool.

CLIMATE

Evergreen residents are convinced they have the finest climate in the world! The air is always fresh and crisp, with a few days in the summer when the thermometer will top 80 degrees. Winters are usually mild, and snow seldom stays on the sunny slopes for more than a few days. The elevation at Evergreen Lake is 7,040 feet. Total annual precipitation is approximately 18 inches. The average annual snowfall is approximately 90 inches.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The highly-acclaimed Colorado Philharmonic Orchestra is based in Evergreen and offers a full summer of concerts. The Evergreen Players, a community theater group, stages a number of plays each year. The Evergreen Artists Association is composed of local artists who maintain their own gallery on Bear Creek and sponsor the annual Summer Sidewalk Art Show. The Evergreen Chorale, a professional quality chorale group, presents a year-round series of concerts.

MUSEUMS

The Hiwan Homestead Museum, a fascinating 17-room log house dating back to 1886 is a National Register Site open to the public with free guided tours. Bells of Granite Glen Museum is a privately-owned fee museum with over 3,000 bells dating back to 1000 B.C. and ranging in size from $\frac{1}{4}$ inch to weighing over a ton.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Evergreen Bear Creek Rodeo Association hosts an annual Rodeo each year the first weekend in August. Mountain Rendezvous is an Evergreen fair depicting an historic theme of the wild west with mountain men funnin' and tradin' with city folks. There's an annual 4th of July fireworks display on Evergreen Lake and the annual Colorado Open Pro-San Golf Tournament in mid-July which attracts some of the nation's top golfers is a charity classic for Craig Rehabilitation Hospital.

UTILITIES AND SERVICES

Water - There are three public water supply organizations in the Evergreen area; Evergreen Metropolitan Water & Sanitation District, the Hidden Valley Water District, and the Brook Forest Water District. In those parts of Evergreen not covered by these districts, residents rely on private wells.

Sanitation - There are three sanitation districts in the Evergreen area; The Evergreen Metropolitan Water & Sanitation District, North Evergreen Sanitation District and the West Jefferson County Sanitation District. In those parts of Evergreen not covered by one of these sanitation district, residents rely on private septic systems.

Natural Gas and Electrical Power - Electrical power is provided by either the Public Service Company or the Intermountain Rural Electric Association. Public Service Company provides natural gas to some areas of Evergreen. Those residents not covered by natural gas service rely on other energy sources, such as electric, LP gas and solar power.

Fire Protection - The Evergreen Fire District encompasses 126 square miles and services approximately 6,000 dwellings and businesses in the Evergreen area. The 78 person volunteer fire department is considered to be one of the finest in the state.

Police - Public safety services are provided by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, headquartered in Golden. A sub-station is located near the Library on Highway 73, in the old Evergreen High School.

U.S. Post Office - The post office is located immediately north of the Evergreen North Shopping Center on Highway 74.

Library - The Evergreen Regional Library has approximately 23,000 books and 300 newspapers and magazines. It provides separate rooms for children's books and has a story hour every week. The staff includes three professional librarians and part-time help. It is located at the intersection of Highway 73 and Buffalo Park Road.

Trash Removal - By private contractor.

EVERGREEN AREA PARKS/OPEN SPACE

Evergreen has nearly 13,000 acres of Denver Park System and Jefferson County Open Space either adjacent or near its borders. A few are described below:

<u>PARK NAME AND LOCATION</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>FACILITIES</u>
Alderfer/Three Sisters 1½ miles SW of Evergreen Highway 73 to Buffalo Park Road	242.00	Trails
Bell Park, 2 miles SE of Evergreen, Highway 73	480.00	Picnic areas and trails
Bergen Park Highway 74	25.06	Playgrounds, fireplaces, tables, shelter house
Corwina Park, Bear Creek	157.82	Playgrounds, fireplaces, shelter houses, tables
DeLisse Park, 2 miles W of Evergreen, Highway 74	420.42	Playgrounds, fireplaces, tables, shelter house, golf course, ice skating, club house
Dillon Park, 1 mile S of Evergreen, Highway 73, Brook Forest Road, then right on Highway 78	160.00	Playgrounds, fireplaces, tables, hiking trails
Fillius Park, Highway 74 E of Evergreen	105.05	Playground, fireplaces, tables, shelter house
Hiwan Homeslead ½ mile west of Highway 74 on Meadow Drive	2.5	Historic Log Home and Jefferson County Historical Society Museum
Little Park, Bear Creek Canyon, Highway 74	400.34	Fireplaces, tables
Means Meadow 1½ miles W of Highway 74 on Stage Coach Blvd.	1,140.00	Forested trails; Berger Peak
O'Fallon Park, Bear Creek	860.00	Fireplaces, tables, picnic grounds, hiking trails
Starbuck Park, Bear Creek Canyon, Highway 74	11.13	Picnic Grounds

GENERAL INFORMATION

Evergreen is located approximately 35 miles (30-40 minutes driving time) southwest of Denver in the foothills of Jefferson County. It is an unincorporated community and therefore falls under the jurisdiction of the Jefferson County government in nearby Golden. The population of greater Evergreen is estimated to be 26,000.

ESTIMATED HISTORICAL TEMPERATURE RANGES:

	High Mean	Low Mean	Mean	Historical	
				High	Low
WINTER	40°F	8°F	22°F	68°F	-30°F
SUMMER	76°F	40°F	58°F	97°F	25°F

PRECIPITATION: Total average annual precipitation is approximately 18 inches. Average annual snowfall is approximately 90 inches.

ELEVATION: 7,040 feet at Evergreen Lake.

UTILITIES AND SERVICES:

WATER: There are three public water supply organizations in the Evergreen area: Evergreen Metropolitan District, the Hidden Valley Water District, and the Brook Forest Water District. In those parts of Evergreen not covered by these districts, residents rely on private wells. Well permits and information can be obtained from the Colorado Division of Water Resources, 1313 Sherman Street, Centennial Building, Telephone 866-3587.

SANITATION: There are four principal sanitation districts in the Evergreen Area: The Evergreen Sanitation District, North Evergreen Sanitation District, the West Jefferson County Sanitation District, and the Upper Bear Creek Sanitation District. In those parts of Evergreen not covered by one of these sanitation districts, residents rely on private septic systems. Septic permits & information can be obtained from Jefferson County Health Department, Telephone 292-6301.

NATURAL GAS AND ELECTRICAL POWER: Electrical power is provided by either Public Service Company or the Intermountain Rural Electric Association. Public Service Company provides natural gas to some areas of Evergreen. Those residents not covered by natural gas service rely on other energy sources such as electricity, propane gas and solar power.

TRANSPORTATION: The Evergreen area belongs to the Regional Transportation District (RTD) and is served by bus service linking Evergreen and Denver. RTD operates three morning and three afternoon weekday services.

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SHOPPING: Downtown Evergreen offers a variety of shops, several shopping areas are located along Highway 74, North of Evergreen and Bergen Park features two shopping plazas.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS: Bank of Evergreen, 3779 South Highway 74, 674-6646; Colorado National Bank of Evergreen, 7922 South Highway 74, 674-3331; Capital Federal Savings, 3901 South Highway 74, 674-0003; Bergen Park National Bank, 1542 South Highway 74, 670-3200; Evergreen National Bank, 28145 Highway 74, 674-2700.

NEWSPAPER: The local newspaper is the Canyon Courier, P. O. Box 470, Evergreen, Colorado 80439, 674-5534. It is a weekly.

MEDICAL FACILITIES: Two full scale medical clinics provide all medical services, Buffalo Park Clinic and Lakepoint Medical Center (which has a 24-hour emergency clinic). Three 24-hour volunteer ambulances are available and the St. Anthony's Flight For Life helicopter is on call. Numerous private physicians also offer services.

BUSINESS COMMUNITY: A majority of the business community is involved in retail sales with a limited number of light manufacturing operations, most of which are self-owned and/or operated. The usual service occupations are readily available, plus the commercial areas of banking, restaurants, real estate, insurance, public accounting, etc.

EDUCATION: Evergreen is in the Jefferson County R-1 School District. Five elementary schools, two junior high schools and one high school serve the Evergreen mountain area. Bus service is provided to all students. There are also private pre-schools and elementary schools available.

EMPLOYMENT: There are employment opportunities in the retail and commercial fields, community service companies and organizations, or self-employment. Wage rates in the area are considered to be within the national norms; however, the average income is considerably above the norm with many residents employed in management or executive positions in the Denver metropolitan area.

LAND/HOMES: Home building sites are available in varying acreages and price ranges. An average site of one to five acres sells in the area for \$20,000 to \$100,000. The average home ranges in price from \$90,000 to \$500,000 depending upon location.

EVERGREEN AREA MOUNTAIN PARKS: Evergreen is nearly surrounded by 13,000 acres of Denver Park System, Jefferson County Open Space, and the Arapahoe National Forest.

SCHOOLS

Elementary

Bergen - 1892 Highway 74 (North Evergreen)	674-5516
<u>Xinu-Murphy - Circle K Ranch Rd. (Clear Creek)</u>	<u>670-0005</u>
Marshdale - 26663 N. Turkey Creek Rd. (South Evergreen)	674-3710
Parmalee - 4460 S. Parmalee Rd. (Indian Hills)	697-4339
West Jefferson - 26501 Barkley Rd. (Conifer)	571-1005
Wilmot - 5124 S. Hatch Drive (Central Evergreen)	674-3381

Junior High

Evergreen - 2052 Highway 74 (Evergreen)	674-5536
West Jefferson - 2650 Barkley Rd. (Conifer)	623-3551
<u>Clear Creek - Chicago Creek Rd. (Clear Creek)</u>	<u>571-1177</u>

Senior High

Evergreen - 5351 S. Olive Road (Evergreen)	674-3341
Mountain Open - 5045 Highway 73 (Evergreen)	233-4576
<u>Clear Creek - Chicago Creek Rd. (Clear Creek)</u>	<u>571-1177</u>

Mountain Area Superintendent

5110 S. Hatch Drive	277-1750
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Exceptional Student Services	674-3329
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Outdoor Education Labs

Mt. Evans - Upper Bear Creek	674-3633
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Windy Peak - Bailey	623-6343
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Special Education & Related Services

5110 S. Hatch Drive	674-3329
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Transportation

7000 S. Highway 73	674-5510
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