

Green Book Scavenger Hunt

29th Avenue Town Center Neighborhood—BIKING VERSION

CLUE 1: The walls of this vibrant building are designed with brick that pops in and out to represent the texture of Braille.

Answer: Anchor Center for Blind Children.

[Social Equity, Principle 3: Provide quality neighborhood schools and lifelong training and education opportunities.]

CLUE 2: This installation is the heart of the 29th Avenue pedestrian and retail district. The granite and sandstone elements of the fountain environment tell the journey of water in Colorado's arid climate.

Answer: Founders Fountain

[City Street & Urban Development, Principle 2: Extend the City and County's parkway system onto the site for streets of major image and character.]

CLUE 3: Nothing says community like a gathering place with FREE admission for everyone. This space was designed by an architect and Stapleton mom who incorporated plenty of GREEN features to make bookworms of all ages feel right at home.

Answer: Sam Gary Library

[Social Equity, Principle 1: Create a community that accommodates a diversity of people—ages, incomes, races, occupations and lifestyles—and reinforces and enhances the cultural, ethnic and racial diversity of adjacent neighborhoods.]

CLUE 4: Just like Old Towne Main Street, you'll find all your needs are met here—from medical, dental and massage to banking, dining and shopping. Why would you go anywhere else?

Answer: Medical Offices/Town Center Businesses

[Economic Opportunity, Principle 2: Insure public investment in infrastructure, site amenities and institutional support that will attract private investment and the presence of businesses, institutions and residents.]

CLUE 5: The Sweet William Market, Farmers Market and Movies on the Green all call this grassy patch their home. What's not to love about summer when you can hang out here!

Answer: Founder's Green

[Physical Design; Parks, Rec & Open Space, Principle D: Create value and significant new park, recreation and open space resources to the City and County's system.]

CLUE 6: This landmark provided pilots with guidance for decades and serves as a reminder of Stapleton's roots.

Answer: Control Tower

[Physical Design, Principle C5: Preserve structures of historic significance.]

CLUE 7: Host to soccer games, festivals, a world-class recreation center and interactive playground, this 80-acre fun zone is Denver's third largest park. Take a moment to breathe in the view from the swings, slide or monkey bars while you're here.

Answer: Central Park

[Physical Design, D5 Parks, Rec and Open Spaces: In addition to the prairie park, natural areas and stream corridors, the open space system should also provide at least one new major urban park.]

CLUE 8: I have my EYE on you. The large empty space within this sculpture allows the viewer to observe changes in the immediate environment as you move along the sculpture. Fabricated from recycled stone and steel, this piece of public art speaks to Stapleton's transformation from an airport to a neighborhood.

Answer: The Eye and the Horizon, East 29th Avenue & Xenia Street

[Physical Design; D5 Parks, Rec and Open Spaces, Principle 4: Use natural features and the pre-existing environment as a basis for the design of the park system.]

CLUE 9: Named after a natural creek that meanders through the neighborhood, this building originally housed Stapleton's first two schools. As the community grew, so did the school. It's now one of the largest in DPS.

Answer: Westerly Creek Elementary

[Social Equity, Principle 3: Provide quality neighborhood schools and lifelong training and education opportunities.]

CLUE 10: Natural grasses were reintroduced where the buffalo once roamed. Today you'll find bike riding families, dog walkers and joggers on these paths instead of the bison in this natural habitat-turned-park that connects Stapleton neighborhoods from north to south.

Answer: Westerly Creek Park

[Physical Design/Transportation Systems and Corridors Principle B5: Provide a continuous bikeway system throughout the site connecting...to the Aurora bikeway system.]

CLUE 11: Swallows, snakes and salamanders all coexist alongside this body of water that serves as a natural water filtration system, cleaning storm water runoff, feeding the landscape and creating a healthy natural habitat. Many of the neighborhood parks serve this same purpose, filtering the water through sand and special pipes before sending it on its way.

Answer: The Westerly Creek

[Physical Design; Natural Systems & Landforms Principal A1: Use the pre-existing environment for the basis of change. The site's topography, drainage flows, stream corridors and historic channels will give shape, form and structure to the basic site plan.]

CLUE 12: This east/west-oriented park stretches the length of Stapleton, connecting various neighborhoods along the way. Stop to skate, climb, swing and dig as you follow the path back to Fred Thomas Park.

Answer: Greenway Park Path

[Physical Design, City Street & Urban Development, Principle C2: Extend the City's parkway system onto the site]

CLUE 13: Gardening and sustainability go hand-in-hand. Stop to admire this gathering patch for all those neighbors sporting green thumbs.

Answer: Community Garden, Syracuse & 23rd

[Physical Design; City Street & Urban Development, Principle C4: Utilize a village concept in each neighborhood, which will incorporate multiple uses, ... and appropriate public spaces.]