NWCCOG Regional Economic Summit

Thursday, May 1, 2025
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Silverthorne Pavilion – 400 Blue River Parkway, Silverthorne, CO

AGENDA

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. **Registration and Coffee**

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. **Opening Comments & Welcome**
Presenters:
- Patti Clapper, Pitkin County Commissioner, EDD Board Vice-Chair
- Jon Stavney, Executive Director, NWCCOG

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. **Demographic & Economic Overview: NWCCOG Region, State, & U.S.**
Presenter:
- Greg Totten, Economist, State Demography Office, Colorado Department of Local Affairs

10:30 - 10:45 a.m. **Networking Break**

10:45 – 11:30 a.m. **Childcare Solutions in the Region**
Presenters:
- Catherine Schaaf, Executive Director, Early Childhood Options in Summit County
- Katy Hale, Executive Director, Grand Beginnings in Grand County
- Amron Myers, Owner, Red Buffalo Coffee & Tea and Childcare Provider

11:30 – 12:40 p.m. **Workforce Housing Solutions in the Region**
Presenters:
- Margie Joy, Community Relations Manager, Colorado Housing & Finance Authority (Moderator)
- Jason Dietz, Housing Director, Town of Vail
- Matt Andrews, Outreach Coordinator, Eagle County Housing Department
- Michelle Bonfils Thibeault, Planning Director, Town of Basalt & WMRHC
- April Long, Executive Director, West Mountain Region Housing Coalition
- Paige Omohundro, Business Development Manager, CHFA

12:40 – 1:15 p.m. **Lunch**
Provided by Enza's Delicatessen & Market

1:15 – 2:15 p.m. **Tourism: Value of Tourism, Mountain Destination Travel Trends, Stewardship**
Presenters:
- Lucy Kay, President & CEO, Breckenridge Tourism Office
- Jill Corbin, Deputy Director of Destination Stewardship, Colorado Tourism Office

2:15 – 2:45 p.m. **Economic Planning in Uncertain Times: Factors Impacting Resiliency**
- Meridith Marshall, Director, Rural Opportunity Office, Colorado Office of Economic Development & International Trade (OEDIT)

2:45 – 3:00 p.m. **Anita Cameron, Northwest Loan Fund**
- NLF Presentation
- Raffle! Gift bags with NLF client products

3:00 p.m. **Closing Remarks**