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NEWS RELEASE

Community Relations Commission Begins New Year with Listening Sessions

Durango, CO: The City of Durango's Community Relations Commission (CRC) invites the public to attend the first of many listening sessions beginning Thursday, January 16 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 949 E. 2nd Ave. The session will be in the City Manager's Conference Room; light snacks will be provided.

The goal of the listening sessions is to gather community input, stories and reflections about sensitive topics with a specific focus on diversity and discrimination. The CRC will use this feedback to develop data and to direct the Commission's work including possible diversity education trainings in the community. All voices are welcome.

Additional listening sessions are scheduled for April 16, July 16 and October 16 at various locations. The CRC also holds regularly meetings on the fourth Wednesday of every month at City Hall. Meetings are from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. and are open to the public.

Stay up-to-date on CRC happenings, including the Civility First Durango Pledge and community outreach surveys at DurangoGov.org/CRC. There is a link on this page to submit comments to the CRC regarding a positive or negative experience you have had in Durango. Comment forms also may be mailed to the Durango Community Relations Commission, 949 E. 2nd Avenue, Durango, CO 81301. For more information about the CRC or listening sessions, contact Suzanne Sitter at (970) 375-5017 or Suzanne.Sitter@DurangoGov.org

Background

The Durango Community Relations Commission was established by City Council resolution in 2012. The CRC's mission is to encourage social harmony among residents and visitors through education and conflict resolution, to promote responsible actions, positive examples of mutual respect and inclusive community participation.

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