ADCOG Regional Summit
Agenda

Date: Saturday, January 24, 2026
Time: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Location: Adams County Human Services Center – Conference Center
Address: 11860 N Pecos St, Westminster, CO 80234

Morning:

- **8:00 – 8:20 a.m.** | Arrival, Light Breakfast & Networking

- **8:30 – 8:50 a.m.** | Opening & Micro Level-Set: Purpose, Context, and Commitments

    Opening Remarks: Adams County Board of County Commissioner, Kathy Henson

- **8:50 – 9:50 a.m.** | CoSphere™ x Collaboration Compass Workshop: How We Work Together

- *9:50 – 10:00 a.m. | Break*

Midday:

- **10:00 – 11:00 a.m.** | Executive Level-Set: Roles, Mandates & the Regional Context

- **11:00 – 12:15 p.m.** | Cross-System Collaboration Workshop: Roles, Relationships & Decision Pathways

- *12:15 – 1:00 p.m. | Lunch & Informal Networking*

Afternoon:

- **1:00 – 2:00 p.m.** | Regional Needs Framing: Shared Pressures & Cross-Cutting Challenges

- **2:00 – 3:00 p.m.** | Funding Lab: From Urgency to Runway

- *3:00 – 3:10 p.m. | Break*

- **3:10 – 3:55 p.m.** | Access & Navigation Map Workshop: Where Coordination Matters Most

- **3:55 – 4:25 p.m.** | High-Level Project & Shelter Overview (Rapid Format)

- **4:25 – 4:55 p.m.** | Closing Circle: Roadmap & Commitments

- **4:55 – 5:00 p.m.** | Closing Remarks: Adams County Board of County Commissioner, Kathy Henson

Purpose of the Summit

This summit convenes Adams County and municipal leaders to establish a shared understanding of roles, responsibilities, and collaboration structures that support regional priorities. The focus of the day is alignment, governance, and sustainable collaboration—not project advocacy or immediate budget decisions.

Summit Outcomes

1. Shared Collaboration Norms - A clear, co-created set of behavioral expectations for how Adams County, municipalities, and partners engage with one another; anchored in CoSphere™ values and reinforced throughout future regional work.

2. Clarity on Roles, Mandates, and Decision Pathways - A shared understanding of where County authority begins and ends, where municipal authority and influence reside, and how regional decisions are made, escalated, and communicated.

3. Improved Cross-System Coordination Map - A practical, high-level map of key contacts, coordination handoffs, and escalation pathways across jurisdictions, highlighting where informal workarounds currently exist and where clearer processes are needed.

4. Aligned Understanding of Regional Pressures - A common picture of the shared challenges facing all jurisdictions; including homelessness as a cross-cutting issue, human services capacity constraints, workforce pressures, and animal shelter needs, without framing these as individual project responsibilities.

5. Defined Funding Pathway and Guardrails - A shared understanding of how funding conversations will progress beyond the summit, how city and county budget calendars intersect, and how working groups will support future funding alignment, without positioning the summit as a budget-ask forum.

6. Priority Opportunities for Access and Navigation Improvement- Identification of a small set of high-impact opportunities to improve resident access and system navigation through better coordination, communication, and alignment—many of which do not require new funding.

7. High-Level Awareness of Regional Initiatives - A concise, shared understanding of the current status and intent of the four regional initiatives and the animal shelter, with clear direction on where and how participants can learn more outside the summit.

8. Action-Oriented Roadmap and Commitments - Agreement on next steps, including proposed working group topics, participation approach, meeting cadence, and near-term (30- and 90-day) commitments that move the region from discussion to sustained collaboration.