

DOWNTOWN AFTER DARK

Going downtown after dark? Run through this checklist before you head out for the night!

Is my phone charged? Dead battery = no way to call for a ride or find friends if you get separated.

Do I trust the people I'm going out with not to ditch me? There's safety in numbers, so stick with a group that will stick together. No friend left behind!

How am I getting home? If you're partying, make sure you've got a plan to get home safely once the fun is done.

Do I have a way to pay? Just in case you get separated from friends, or your designated driver can no longer drive... make sure you have a way to pay for a ride home if needed.

Does someone know my plan? Before you head out, tell someone where you're going and when you plan to be back.

IT'S ON US

Did you know that Fort Collins is an **It's On Us** city? Together as students, full-time residents, business owners, or others engaged in the community, we're committed to creating an environment where sexual assault is unacceptable. We reject sexual violence. We support survivors. We intervene in situations where consent has not or cannot be given. To learn more, visit www.itsonusfortcollins.org.

YOU NEED TO KNOW

Here are just a few ordinances that are important to highlight. For more details and more code and ordinance information, please visit www.fcgov.com. To report an issue, call FCPS: (970) 419-3273.

NUISANCE GATHERING ORDINANCE

- Holds party host(s) accountable for property damage as a result of the gathering.
- Holds party host(s) accountable for behaviors, on and off the property, around trash and litter, public urination, underage drinking, vandalism, etc.
- Criminal misdemeanor, fine of \$1,000+, potential cost of damages, and more.

NEW ON-CAMPUS STADIUM AT CSU

HOME GAMES

- 08/26 vs. Oregon State
- 09/09 vs. Abilene Christian
- 10/14 vs. Nevada
- 10/28 vs. Air Force
- 11/11 vs. Boise State
- 11/18 vs. San Jose State

To learn more about the new on-campus stadium at CSU and what gameday will look like, please visit www.CSURams.com/footballgameday. This website includes information about parking, tailgating, transportation, game tickets and more. Individuals who have a specific question about gameday can also email gamedayexperience@colostate.edu or call: (970) 491-RAMS (7267).

Residential parking restrictions will be enforced on gamedays. For more information, visit:

www.fcgov.com/parking/residential-parking-permit/stadium-events.php



SAFER UNIVERSITIES



SPONSORS

- Team Wellness and Prevention
- Northern Colorado Rental Housing Association
- Chamber of Commerce
- Orientation & Transition Programs
- ASCSU
- Fort Collins Police Services

ALCOHOL

- Fort Collins has a strict open container law, even for those 21+.
- It is illegal to sell alcohol without a license; this includes selling cups at a keg party or taking donations.

Providing alcohol to minors:

- If the minor is over 18 but under 21, it is a criminal misdemeanor with penalties of up to 18 months in prison and a \$5,000 fine.
- If a minor is under 18, the crime is a felony punishable by up to 6 years in prison and a \$500,000 fine.
- Providing a space for minors to consume alcohol/marijuana could earn you a **Social Host** violation.

MARIJUANA

- Colorado law permits those who are 21+ to use recreational marijuana within a **private** residence.
- It is NOT LEGAL to consume marijuana in public, sell or transfer to persons under the age of 21, drive under the influence, or possess more than one ounce.
- The use and possession of marijuana is prohibited on all CSU property, regardless of age.

TOBACCO AND ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES

CSU: Smoking on any CSU property is prohibited in designated No Smoking Areas.

City: In addition to restaurants and bars, smoking is prohibited in Old Town, all City parks, trails, natural areas, festivals, and several other locations.

UNREASONABLE NOISE ORDINANCE

- The Unreasonable Noise Ordinance is in effect 24 hours a day. Combination of time of day, day of week, type of noise, and level of noise determine if it's too loud.
- Criminal misdemeanor, fine of \$1,000+, and more.

SOCIAL HOST ORDINANCE

- Holds host(s) responsible for providing a space in which underage possession/consumption of alcohol or marijuana is occurring.
- Host does not have to provide the alcohol/marijuana to be held responsible.
- Civil infraction, \$100+ fine.

RIOT

- Public disturbance involving 3+ people plus property damage.
- Watching a riot is considered engaging in one.
- Felony, costly fines, possible jail time.
- Cannot attend a Colorado state college/university for at least one year.

PARTY SMART

- **Discuss Party Expectations:** things such as date, time, guests, clean-up, sober host, etc.
- **Notify Neighbors in Advance:** provide them your name and contact information -- the email or phone number you will be checking throughout the evening.
- **Designate a Sober Host:** someone to monitor and control noise, outside disturbances, interactions with neighbors and police.
- **Think Before You Post:** social media can spread word of your party further than you might anticipate. You are responsible for your guests' actions.
- **Keep the Size Reasonable:** more people means more noise and a greater chance for a costly citation.
- **Be Proactive:** if you're uncomfortable with the size of your party and/or people are not leaving despite your requests, call **Fort Collins Police Services** at (970) 419-3273 for assistance.
- **Be Cooperative:** towards neighbors, police, and others who come to discuss issues from your party. Your interaction with police can have an impact on the type of citation and consequences.

- **Clean Up:** clean up after your party and check in with your neighbors. They may be more tolerant of your next party if they see you respecting the neighborhood.
- **Register Your Party:** Party Registration is available for any party year-round. By registering your party, you may receive a warning from Fort Collins Police Services Dispatch if there are complaints or concerns about noise. If you break up your party within 20 minutes of being notified, you may avoid a visit from police and a \$1,000+ noise citation and criminal misdemeanor. This program is not a guarantee that a citation won't be issued. In order to be eligible you must register before 5:00pm on the Thursday before your party.

- **Grab a FREE Party Pack:** CSU students can come to Off-Campus Life and get a pack, which includes party smart tips, neighbor notices, a water bottle, trash bags, and more!

All CSU students can register at Off-Campus Life. All other residents in Fort Collins can register at the Neighborhood Services Office. Visit www.offcampuslife.colostate.edu for more information.

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WHAT TO KNOW

CAMPUS & COMMUNITY

RESOURCES

COMMUNITY MEDIATION PROGRAMS

- FREE, confidential, voluntary service designed to resolve neighborhood problems.
- Issues might include: noise, pets, property maintenance, parking, and landlord/tenant disputes.
- Call **(970) 224-6022** for more information.
- If you are a CSU student you can get FREE mediation services through CSU's Student Resolution Center, **(970) 491-7165**.

STUDENT LEGAL SERVICES

- Are you a CSU student who has received a citation? Student Legal Services can help you navigate the process and much more: www.sls.colostate.edu or **(970) 491-1482**.

YOUR ACTIONS HAVE IMPACT

- Your actions off campus impact you on campus.
- Citations issued to CSU students are forwarded to Student Conduct Services @ the CSU Student Resolution Center.
- Conflict Resolution Services @ the Student Resolution Center will assist students through a voluntary, neutral, and confidential process when conflicts, disputes, or issues arise.
- For more info, visit: www.resolutioncenter.colostate.edu or call **(970) 491-7165**.

BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR

Being a good neighbor is a responsibility we all hold. Good neighboring is one of the many things that makes Fort Collins such a great community. Getting to know your neighbors early means you are more likely to solve concerns or issues with one another, rather than depending on a third party (i.e. police). Here are a few key tips to good neighboring:

INTRODUCE YOURSELF

A simple "hello" goes a long way. This is the first step in building a good relationship. And don't forget to keep saying "hello." Grow the relationship throughout the year; you never know when you will need some help.

KEEP NEIGHBORS INFORMED

Contact your neighbors in advance before undertaking something that may affect them, like throwing a party, building a fence, or getting a dog. Share contact information (cell phone, email, etc. – the one you check and will answer) so there is an easy way of communicating during any event you might host or if other questions arise.

BE AWARE OF NEIGHBORHOOD EXPECTATIONS & CITY ORDINANCES

Be aware of not only the local laws and ordinances, but also your neighborhood's rules. Every neighborhood, home owner's association, or apartment complex has its own set of additional policies/rules. As you get to know your neighbors, ask them about expectations of residents.

RESPECT DIFFERENCES

Age, faith, ethnicity, and family status are just some of the things that make us different and have an impact on how we go about our daily lives. Be aware and respectful of differences between you and your neighbors.

ASK HOW YOU CAN HELP

Neighborly gestures contribute to a positive and welcoming neighborhood for all. Shoveling snow for your neighbor who may need assistance is a welcome gesture and can come back tenfold when you need help.

BE CANDID

If your neighbor does something that bothers you, respectfully let them know as soon as possible. If you cannot work out a fair compromise, take advantage of the free and confidential mediation services offered by the City of Fort Collins Community Mediation Program **(970) 224-6022**. If you are a CSU Student, you can access these services through Conflict Resolution Services at the Student Resolution Center: **(970) 491-7165**.

CAMPUS WEST CONNECTIONS

NEW

The City of Fort Collins and Colorado State University are excited to partner on Campus West Connections, located at the corner of W. Elizabeth Street and City Park Avenue in Campus West. Several City and University departments will staff CWC to enhance the quality of life for students, renters, and long-term residents.

Collectively, these departments anticipate offering the community a variety of resources and services, including bike registration, party registration, mediation, restorative justice conferences, and filing police reports. Representatives will also be available to answer questions and provide assistance regarding neighborhood issues including nuisances, occupancy violations, and other concerns of the community and university.

For more information, please visit: www.fcgov.com/campuswestconnections

NEIGHBORHOOD LIVABILITY

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Here are a few things to note when it comes to living in the City of Fort Collins neighborhoods. More information can be found at: www.fcgov.com/neighborhoodservices

TRASH/WEEDS/OUTDOOR STORAGE

- No furniture designed for indoor use can be placed in your yard or on an unenclosed porch.
- Weeds and grass cannot exceed a height of 6" in yards or alleys or 12" in fields or undeveloped lots.
- Trash must be stored out of sight in plastic/metal cans with tight-fitting lids or in sealed plastic bags, cannot be left out for more than 12 hours before or after trash collection, and cannot interfere with pedestrians, bicyclists, or vehicles.

SNOW REMOVAL

- Sidewalks must be cleared of snow and ice within 24 hours of accumulation. Failure to do so will result in you paying for the City to shovel.

OCCUPANCY & RENTAL STANDARDS

- The Occupancy Ordinance, known as the "U+2" ordinance, states: *Occupancy in a residential dwelling unit (single-family, duplex, and multi-family) is restricted to:*
 - 1 family and 1 additional person
 - 3 unrelated persons
- Basic elements necessary for safe housing include adequate heating facilities, safe electrical systems, emergency exits, and both smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. For more, visit: www.fcgov.com/building/pdf/rental-brochure.pdf

PETS

- Legally permitted pets must be licensed, vaccinated, and leashed if they are not confined to your yard.
- If a dog is barking uncontrollably, call Animal Control at **(970) 226-3647 ext. 7**.
- Complaints about animal waste can be directed to Animal Control.

PARKING & STORING VEHICLES

- Vehicles must park facing the correct direction, cannot block driveways or sidewalks, and must be moved every 48 hours.
 - Inoperable vehicles, not currently licensed or incapable of operating, may not be stored in public view.
 - Trailers of any kind cannot be stored on the street.
- To report any of these violations, call Fort Collins Police Services at **(970) 419-3273**.
- Vehicles, including trailers and campers, may not park on yards.
- To report, call the Nuisance Hotline at **(970) 416-2200**.

UNWANTED NEWSPAPERS

- Directions to unsubscribe are on the front of the paper. Do not let them accumulate on your property.

TRANSPORTATION

NEW

EXPANDED TRANSFORT SERVICE

- **365-day Service:** Transfort is now offering bus service on Sundays, including MAX and 5 other routes.
- **Evening Service:** Transfort has additional evening service routes in the campus west area. Riders can catch a bus as late as 10:30pm.
- **Gold Route:** The Gold Route is a late-night service that runs Friday and Saturday from 10:30pm - 2:30am around Old Town and Campus West.
- **Around the Horn:** The Around the Horn route will now offer service to the southern residence halls.
- Visit www.ridetransfort.com for more information.

RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT PROGRAM (RP3)

Expanded RP3 Zones: Parking restrictions apply in the neighborhoods around campus. For more information visit: www.fcgov.com/parking/residential-parking-permit

FC BIKES



FC Bikes is the City's program working to make Fort Collins the best place in the nation to ride a bike. Visit www.fcgov.com/fcbikes for information about bicycle-related projects, maps, events, classes, and other resources. In addition, learn how to Ride Smart and Drive Smart with safety tips, information about local laws, and how to access education opportunities at www.RideSmartDriveSmart.org.



WATCH FOR SIGNS!
www.fcgov.com/parking



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