



## NEWS RELEASE

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# Mission Possible: Northglenn Business Success

**October 18, 2023, Northglenn, CO** – Nine businesses were recognized at the 11th Annual Northglenn Business Appreciation event yesterday evening. The spy-themed event, *Mission Possible*, was held at the Northglenn Parsons Theatre and featured a cocktail reception and awards ceremony.

“Our businesses continue to show how they innovate and adapt to succeed in a changing economy to meet the needs of their customers and our community,” said Mayor Meredith Leighty. “We are proud of our strong Northglenn businesses and how they find ways to make the impossible into possible.”

The award-winning businesses were each featured in a brief video, then accepted their awards on stage with more than 150 attendees in the audience. [The videos are on YouTube.](#)

The 2023 Northglenn business honorees are:

**Home-Based Business Award: Missing Piece Puzzle Exchange**

**Rookie of the Year Award: Lizzie’s Axe Throwing**

**Small Business of the Year: Denver Recovery Group - Northglenn**

**Mid-Size Business of the Year: Performance Woodworking**

**Large Business of the Year: Independent Electrical Contractors Rocky Mountain (IECRM)**

**Longevity Business Award: Wearner Family Dentistry**

**Young Entrepreneurs of the Year: Ulises Gomez and Derwin Velazquez, UGDV Rugs**

**People’s Choice Award: SpineGeek Chiropractic**

**Investment Award: Los Dos Potrillos Cocina y Cantina**

“This is the first year I’ve led our small but mighty team to host the business awards,” said Allison Moeding, Northglenn Director of Economic Development since April 2023. “I am thrilled we are able to honor our local businesses and offer an opportunity to network with each other in such a professional-yet-fun way.”

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The City of Northglenn Economic Development Department partnered with Northglenn High School STEM engineering students and teachers for the 10<sup>th</sup> year to design event centerpieces. Students were challenged to come up with a design that represented the “Mission Possible” theme. Two classes with 12 teams and 39 students participated in the challenge. Students were invited to the event to interact with the local business community and were recognized for their innovative ideas and products.

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*Northglenn, CO, is a city of 38,600 residents located 13 miles north of downtown Denver. Northglenn is a diverse and welcoming community that celebrates its small-town character, urban energy, and thriving businesses. Learn more by visiting [www.northglenn.org](http://www.northglenn.org). Like us on Facebook @cityofnorthglenn, and follow us on Twitter @northglennco.*