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# One Giant Leap for Business in Northglenn

**October 25, 2019, Northglenn, CO** – Eleven businesses were recognized at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Northglenn Business Appreciation Breakfast this morning. The event, held at the Ramada Plaza, had a space theme – a tribute to the first walk on the moon in 1969, which is also the same year Northglenn officially became a city.

Keynote speaker Dave Ruppel, Director of the Colorado Air and Space Port, noted in the last 50 years we have witnessed “One Giant Leap” in space innovation. Located at the former Front Range Airport in Adams County, the vision for the Colorado Air and Space Post is to be the premier commercial space and aerospace center in the country.

After the “far out” keynote, the award-winning businesses were each featured in a brief video, then accepted their awards on stage in front of more than 300 attendees. The videos can be viewed via the [event webpage](#).

2019 honorees are:

- **Home-Based Business: SafePro Guard**
- **Rookie Business: The Good Couch North**
- **Small Business: Purple Moon Early Learning Center**
- **Mid-Size Business: Gulfeagle Supply**
- **Large Business: Lowe’s Home Improvement #0246**
- **Longevity: Dodge Sign Company**
- **Community Impact: Boondocks Fun Center**
- **Investment: KFC #462**
- **People’s Choice: Adjustments for Life**
- **Young Entrepreneur: Luke Portner, Cash4rc**
- **Legacy: Robin Gayton**

“I am thrilled we have the opportunity to bring our business community together each year,” said Economic Development Manager Debbie Tuttle. “Our companies have chosen Northglenn for their business, and they support thousands of jobs, and make major investments into our community. If they are successful - Northglenn is successful!”

“It is an honor to present the awards, and we are so thankful over 1,000 businesses choose to be in Northglenn,” expressed Mayor Pro Tem Meredith Leighty. “The Legacy award to Robin Gayton Dance Studio was the icing on the cake. We will miss Robin in our community; the video really captured our heartfelt tribute and brought many to tears.”

The event also offered an opportunity to partner with Northglenn High School STEM students and teachers. Students were challenged to come up with a design and product for event table centerpieces to represent the “One Giant Leap” theme. Two classes with 11 teams and 44 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 38,905 residents located 13 miles north of downtown Denver. In the heart of the metro area, Northglenn is a place to call home and a forward-thinking community where businesses can thrive. Learn more by visiting [www.northglenn.org](http://www.northglenn.org). Like us on Facebook, @cityofnorthglenn, and follow us on Twitter, @northglennco.*