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Take survey on future artistic community

Feb. 21, 2014 – Are you an artist, performer or engaged in a creative business? Do you lead an arts or cultural organization? We need your help. Please take an online survey about a potential new community of housing and space for artists and arts-related organizations at <a href="https://www.ArtspaceLakewood.org">www.ArtspaceLakewood.org</a>.

The City of Lakewood, 40 West Arts and Artspace Projects, the leading national nonprofit developer of affordable spaces for the arts, are conducting a market survey of the space needs of artists, arts and cultural organizations and creative and arts friendly businesses in Lakewood and the surrounding area.

The survey opens Feb. 28 and is available until April 30. The survey includes two versions – one for artists and one for organizations and creative businesses. Artists who operate an arts/cultural organization or creative business should take both surveys.

This survey will assist in the development of affordable new space where artists of all disciplines could live, work and create, as well as space where creative and arts-related organizations and businesses could thrive in the 40 West Arts District of Lakewood. The district is a state-designated creative district and is the primary location under consideration for an affordable, multiuse live/work community that Artspace would develop. The 40 West Arts District, stretching along West Colfax Avenue, is just 10 minutes from downtown Denver and conveniently located on the new W Line light rail.

Responses to the survey are anonymous and are critical in determining the community's size and number and types of live/work and other creative spaces. They also will play a role in design features, special amenities, programs and affordability. The results will help build support for a project and assist in securing funding for the new community, which will serve as a catalyst for a new future for West Colfax in Lakewood.

This survey is the second step in a feasibility process, which began in October 2013 when Artspace was invited to assess the potential of developing a multiuse creative facility in Lakewood.

For more information, please visit www.artspace.org and www.40WestArts.org.