

# America 250 – Colorado 150 Commission

Commemorating the Nation and State's  
Anniversaries in 2026

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# The America 250 – Colorado 150 Commission

- Colorado is the Centennial State
- Commemoration of:
  - The 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and
  - The 150th anniversary of Colorado's statehood
- These twin anniversaries present the people of Colorado with an opportunity to engage more fully with our past and look toward a shared future

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## Commission Purpose

- The America 250 - Colorado 150 Commission has determined that the mission and purpose of this commemoration is to:
  - celebrate Colorado by acknowledging the completeness of our shared history
  - honor that which makes Colorado unique
  - strive toward a more perfect union.

# Who is on the Commission?

- 15 members
- The commission reflects and represents the diverse communities and interests of the state of Colorado.

# What Can Commemoration Look Like?

Activities can include, but are not limited to:

- Historical activities
- Creation and publication of historical documents
- Preservation of historic sites, art, artifacts
- Promotion of scholarship and research that illuminates the history of the American West and Colorado, within the larger story of the United States
- Arranging public ceremonies and commemorative events
- Identifying local opportunities for commemoration

# Themes of Commemoration

- Celebrate
- Educate
- Preserve
- Experience

# America 250 National Effort

- On a state level, the Commission will highlight Colorado's place in the larger national story
- The America 250 Foundation is planning a summer program launch
  - [www.america250.org](http://www.america250.org)

**We Want to Hear From You**



# We Want to Hear From You . . .

What makes you proud of your  
community?

What needs addressing in your  
community?

How can we ensure that all Coloradans  
are included in this commemoration?

What should the legacy of this  
commemoration be?

Share your  
thoughts:

