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Arapahoe County welcomes new CSU Extension Director

Tim Aston will oversee programs and research-based information

LITTLETON, CO. – Arapahoe County welcomed Tim Aston Jan. 2 as Director of its Colorado State University Extension Office, located in Littleton. CSU Extension provides county residents with research-based information and programs from Colorado State University on topics ranging from youth development and family finances to health, agriculture, food safety and gardening.

“CSU Extension offers reliable information and workshops to help citizens make decisions about healthy families, finances, livestock, pets and even a healthy yard,” said Arapahoe County Commissioner Bill Holen. “As the new Extension director, Tim Aston brings a wealth of experience in management, technology and customer service that will help Extension to deliver programs in new and exciting ways.”

Aston will manage a staff of 13 employees and a budget of \$500,000. He will oversee the popular 4-H Program, with more than 300 youth members and 95 volunteers in 26 clubs, as well as school enrichment programs that reach K-6 students in classrooms. He also will oversee the successful Colorado Master Gardeners Program with more than 80 citizen volunteers, along with the Extension’s nutrition, food preservation and agriculture programs in Arapahoe County. Aston will serve on the Executive Fair Committee for the Arapahoe County Fair, and will be the staff liaison to the CSU Extension Citizen Advisory Committee and the Fair Planning Committee.

Aston brings 18 years of experience in IT management and consulting in the public, health care, financial services, media and non-profit sectors. He comes to Arapahoe County from Radiant Solutions Corp., where he served as Director of Technology Services. In that role, he managed programs and projects for various clients, including developing products that were relevant to customers needs. Aston also brings entrepreneurial acumen as owner of a frozen yogurt company in Greenwood Village.

Aston has a Bachelor’s Degree in Natural Resources Conservation from the University of Connecticut and a Master of Science in Regional Planning from the University of Massachusetts. He can be reached at 303-730-1920 or taston@arapahoegov.com. For more information about the CSU Extension in Arapahoe County, please visit www.arapahoextension.org.

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Media Note: A photo of Tim Aston is available for download on the County’s FTP Server:
<ftp://www.co.arapahoe.co.us/Pub/CM/Photos/Extension/>