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## Homeless Persons' Memorial Vigil to be Held on December 21, 2023

**Date:** Thursday, December 21, 2023 Time: 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Location: Front Steps of the Denver City and County Building, 1437 Bannock Street

For the thirty-fourth year, several hundred citizens will gather in front of the steps of the Denver City and County Building on Thursday evening to attend the "We Will Remember: Homeless Persons' Memorial Vigil." Hosted by the Colorado Coalition for the Homeless, the candlelight vigil and name-reading ceremony will pay tribute to our neighbors who lived on the streets of the Denver metropolitan area and passed away during 2023. This will be the only memorial service that will be conducted for most of these individuals. The public is welcome and invited to attend this event.

The program will take place from 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m., but the full event will span from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and will include luminaries surrounding the area honoring each of the 312 individuals who passed away. This year's event will also feature a collection drive for winter wear donations. Attendees are encouraged to bring new adult coats, as well as warm socks, gloves, or other new winter wear to donate.

Through a partnership with <u>Denver Community Media</u>, the event will also be made available via livestream for those unable to attend in person. That video will be located <u>here</u>.

For inquiries regarding interviews, filming, or other considerations, please contact Alexis Whitham at <u>awhitham@coloradocoalition.org</u>.

More information is available at <u>coloradocoalition.org/vigil</u>.

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