

# Positive Perspective

Highlighting the Upside of the Economy in a Challenging Market



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**Signs of Improving Labor Market Begin to Surface in Metro Denver:** Signs of an improving labor market are slowly beginning to surface, according to data compiled by the Metro Denver Economic Development Corporation (Metro Denver EDC) in its Monthly Economic Summary for April 2010. [read more here](#)

**Denver No. 5 on Case-Shiller:** The Denver-area housing market today ranked No. 5 of 20 cities ranked in the closely watched S&P/Case-Shiller Home Price index. [read more here](#)

**Denver Sees Record April in Homes Put Under Contract:** A record number of Denver-area homes put under contract in April is translating into booming business for mortgage brokers, home inspectors and others in the real estate industry for the next two months. [read more here](#)

**Boulder is Nation's Top City for Startups, Bloomberg Businessweek Says:** Boulder is named America's best city for tech startups in a Bloomberg Businessweek report. "An influx of entrepreneurs ... has changed the face of this Colorado city of 98,000, making it a destination for Internet startups," author Vivek Wadhwa writes of Boulder in the online package. [read more here](#)

**Pikes Peak Region Home Sales Spring Forward:** Pikes Peak region first quarter 2010 home sales statistics reflected an invigorated market. Pikes Peak Realtor Services Corp. reported that through March area the Pikes Peak region recorded 723 closed residential sales. That's up almost 28 percent from the same month last year. [read more here](#)

**Forbes Magazine Names Fort Collins Among Best Places for Business & Careers:** Fort Collins has been ranked No. 4 on the Forbes magazine annual list of "Best Places for Business and Careers." [read more here](#)

**Home Sales Turn Around:** As unlikely as it might seem, new homes are under construction on Orchard Mesa. And as cold and slow as the winter was, it couldn't suppress a small glimmer of hope for the housing market, when first-quarter sales in Mesa County edged up ever so slightly over the same quarter of 2009. [read more here](#)

**For Telluride, the Budget Picture Improves:** A year ago, the town of Telluride was in the thick of cutting its budget — whittling services, laying off employees and slashing projects in a scramble to patch major holes left by plummeting revenues. But somewhere near the end of last summer, the economic downturn began a slow climb from the bottom that has helped pad the town's coffers. [read more here](#)

**DWG Wins Front Range SABER Contract:** DWG & Associates Inc., a general contractor with headquarters in Colorado Springs, has been awarded one of the three Front Range SABER Contracts. [read more here](#)



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