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### **The Delores Project Celebrates Mayor Hancock's Support for Safe Outdoor Space**

This morning, Mayor Hancock of Denver announced his support to establish temporary, managed camp sites for people living in neighborhood encampments during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Delores Project is pleased to see that Mayor Hancock and the City and County of Denver are working together with community based organizations to address the ongoing need for safe shelter.

The Delores Project CEO, Stephanie Miller, commented:

*"We know that many of the best outcomes for people experiencing homelessness come from being connected to services. The Mayor's decision to establish camping sites where sanitation services, crisis intervention, and linkages to care can be provided is a significant change in policy – one that we embrace whole-heartedly. Even if only temporary, sanctioned and supported camp sites are an important element in protecting a vulnerable community from COVID-19."*

As Mayor Hancock and the agencies of the City and County of Denver continue to finalize these plans and announce the location of camp sites, The Delores Project will be sharing that information through our social media presence. Communicating this new option to people currently camping on the streets will be a priority for many shelter service providers throughout the Denver metro area.

*The Delores Project provides safe, comfortable shelter and personalized services for unaccompanied women and transgender individuals experiencing homelessness. We also work to end homelessness by advocating for housing solutions.*

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