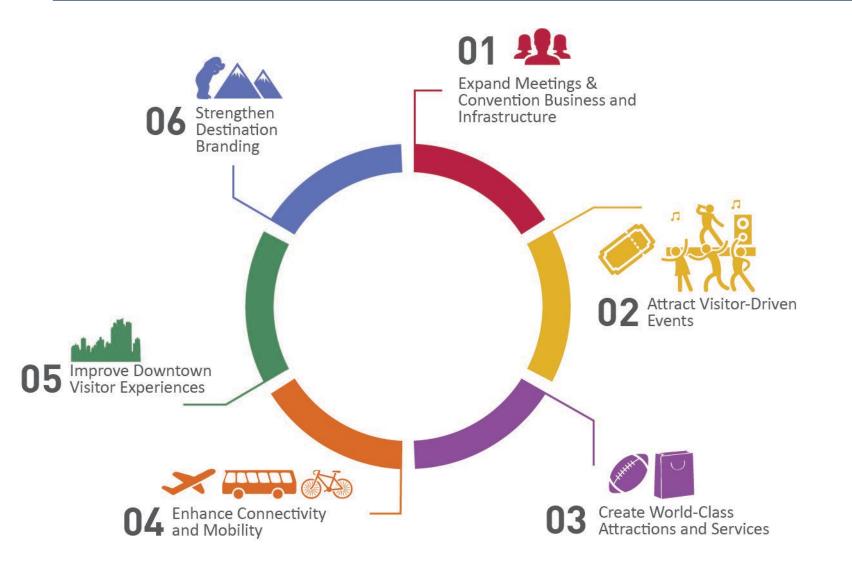


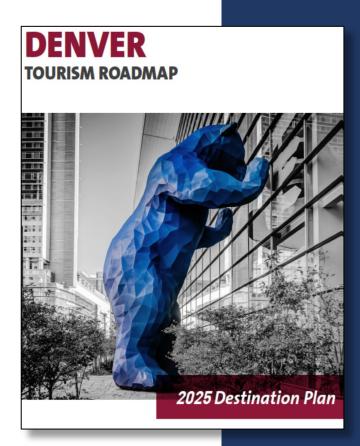
## 2024 Workforce Development

August 22, 2024



## **2016 TOURISM ROADMAP**





## **PAST ACTIONS**

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

VISIT DENVER Foundation provides scholarships for hospitality programs at Colorado universities, colleges, and trade schools

#### JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

VISIT DENVER Foundation funded a pilot program in high schools during one academic year

#### **EDUCATION & TRAINING**

Funded Colorado Hotel & Lodging Association CHLA University: line level and supervisory skills courses, partnership with Denver Rescue Mission to provide Guest Service Gold at The Crossing

#### **RESEARCH**

Funded University of Colorado research to inventory existing and emerging workforce development plans, including training, certification and academic programs for the tourism and hospitality industry; focus groups to assess opportunities and challenges

#### **DENVER DAY WORKS**

Visit Denver helped fund Denver University pilot program for hospitality industry in partnership with Denver Rescue Mission

#### **HYATT IMMERSION PROGRAM**

Promoted the Hyatts of Colorado training program to VISIT DENVER Foundation scholarship recipients



## LEVERAGING VISIT DENVER

In 2019, the VISIT DENVER Board Identified the role of VISIT DENVER re: Workforce Development



## WE ARE THE PERCEPTION CREATORS

Utilize Visit Denver's marketing prowess

## WE ARE THE COALITION BUILDERS

Utilize Visit Denver's brand to create collaboration

## WE ARE THE IMPACT AMPLIFIERS

Utilize Visit Denver's unique communications platform

VISIT DENVER should be the "umbrella" promoter for the tourism industry, and anyone interested in specific industries would be given a pathway to those specific sectors.

## **MARKETING CAMPAIGN - RESEARCH**

VISIT DENVER contracted Prosono and the Tarrance Group to conduct research

- After many industry interviews, VISIT DENVER decided to target 18-20-year-olds in Colorado.
- The Tarrance Group conducted a survey that reached 320 young adults across Colorado to determine what benefits the industry offers that may resonate with this target population.
  - Findings: This 18-20-year-old group prioritized the following:
    - Financial Stability
    - Skill and Career Development
    - Flexible Work Schedule

### 2024 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

### Marketing Campaign

• "Boredom is Fired" – a marketing campaign targeted to 18-20-year-old Colorado residents to elevate the reputation of working in tourism and hospitality and to encourage young people to consider a career in the industry.

### Website

• The marketing campaign drives to robust website which profiles careers in hotels, events, attractions, food & beverage, and outdoor recreation, links to info about open jobs, educational opportunities and resources.

### Outreach Program

- "Tourism & Hospitality ambassadors" will share their story about their journey in the industry. 5 ambassadors featured in video.
- 12 ambassadors will participate in in-person presentations to young adults, high school students, and middle school students

### **OUTREACH PLAN**

Marketing (Year-Round)	Career Fairs/Expos (Fall & Spring)	School Presentations (Fall & Spring)	Tourism & Hospitality Industry Day (Spring)
Campaign	City of Denver – Career Fairs	Adams County High School	Start with one
Website	DECA Leadership Conference	Arrupe Jesuit High School	Organize partnerships & agenda
Newsletters & Text Communications	DPS – Career Fairs	Bear Creek High School	Teachers organize student logistics and permission slips
Resources Section on Website	GlobalMindED	Cherry Creek Innovation Campus	Schools or VISIT DENVER organize transportation
Social Content	HireColorado Denver	Denver Public Schools	Go <u>TO</u> ambassador locations
Blog Content	Jeffco Public Schools – Career Fairs	Englewood Public Schools	Provide experiential experiences
Email Inquires	Youth-In Person Hiring Fair	Jefferson County Schools	
		Littleton High School	
		Warren Tech	

"Students want & need real-world, hands-on experiences in order to envision themselves working in this industry."

### **MEET THE AMBASSADORS**



**Andrew Jackson,** Event Sales Manager, Hyatt Regency at CCC



**Terrence Walsh,** Operations Manager, Titus Adventure Company



**Melanie Diminno,** Account Coordinator, Imprint Events Group



Owen Kunselman, Chef, Mercantile Restaurant



Jenna Chervin, Program Coordinator, DMNS

#### **MARKETING CAMPAIGN – PAID ADVERTISING TACTICS**

#### **Advertising Platforms**

- Instagram
- Snapchat
- YouTube
- Over-the-top (appears on video streaming platforms such as Hulu, Roku, etc.)
- Google Display (appears on Google's network of websites)
- Billboards near high schools + 2-year colleges

#### Benefits highlighted in marketing campaign creative:

- Financial Stability
- Skill and Career Development
- Flexible Work Schedule

#### **Ad Performance**

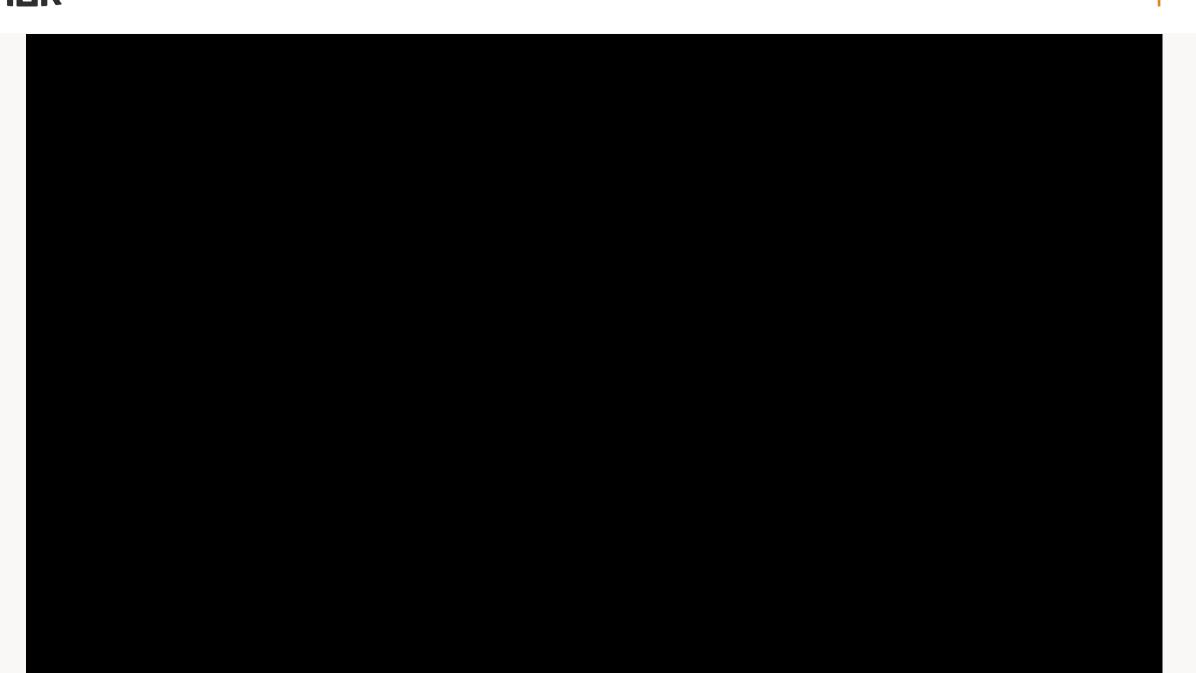
- → Bounce Rate
- → Impressions
- → Clicks
- → CTR (click-through-rate)
- → CPC (cost per click)
- → Video Views
- → CPV (cost per view)
- → Ad Rank IS (impression share)
- → Ad Budget IS
- Phone Calls



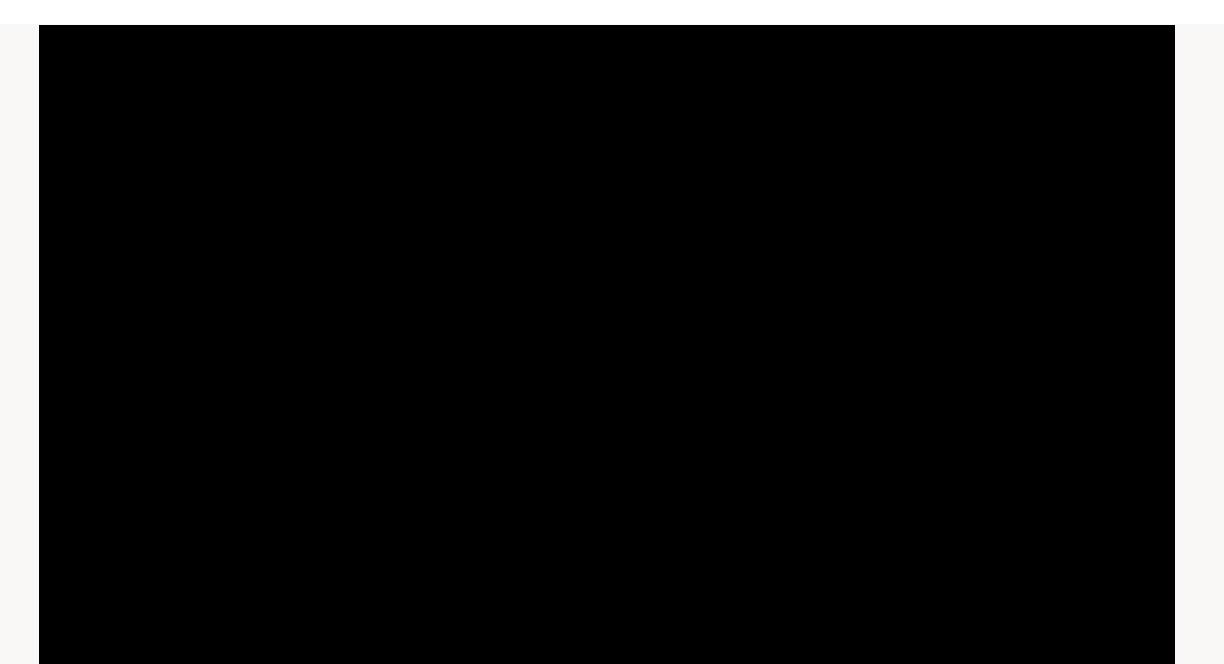
## What you'll see today:

- 1. Initial cuts of general hospitality video, as well as videos for each segment:
  - Events
  - Food & Beverage
  - Hotels
  - Outdoor
- 2. Traditional Billboard Designs
- 3. Digital Bulletins and Portrait Displays
- 4. Bus Tails

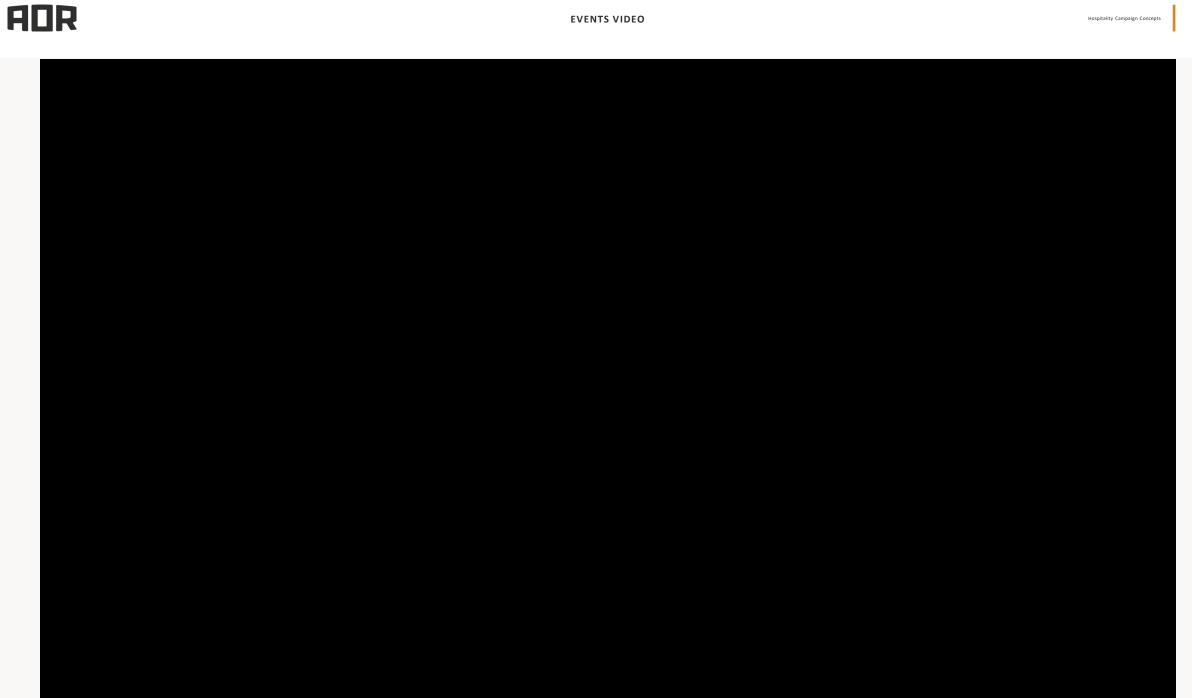




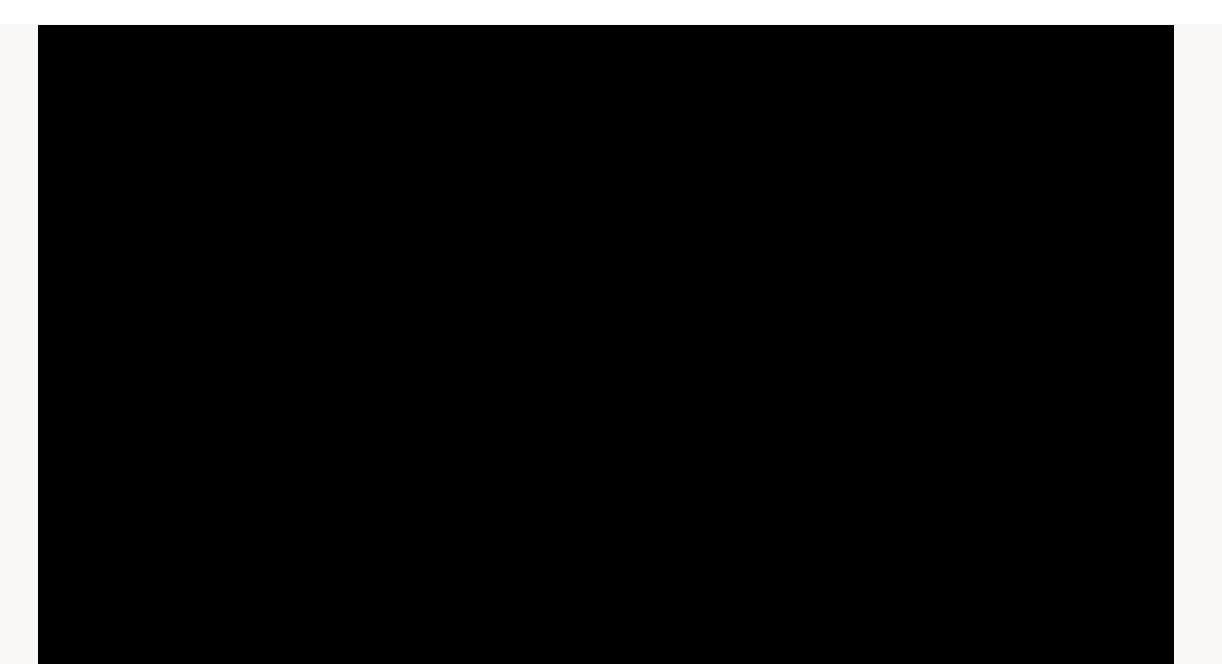


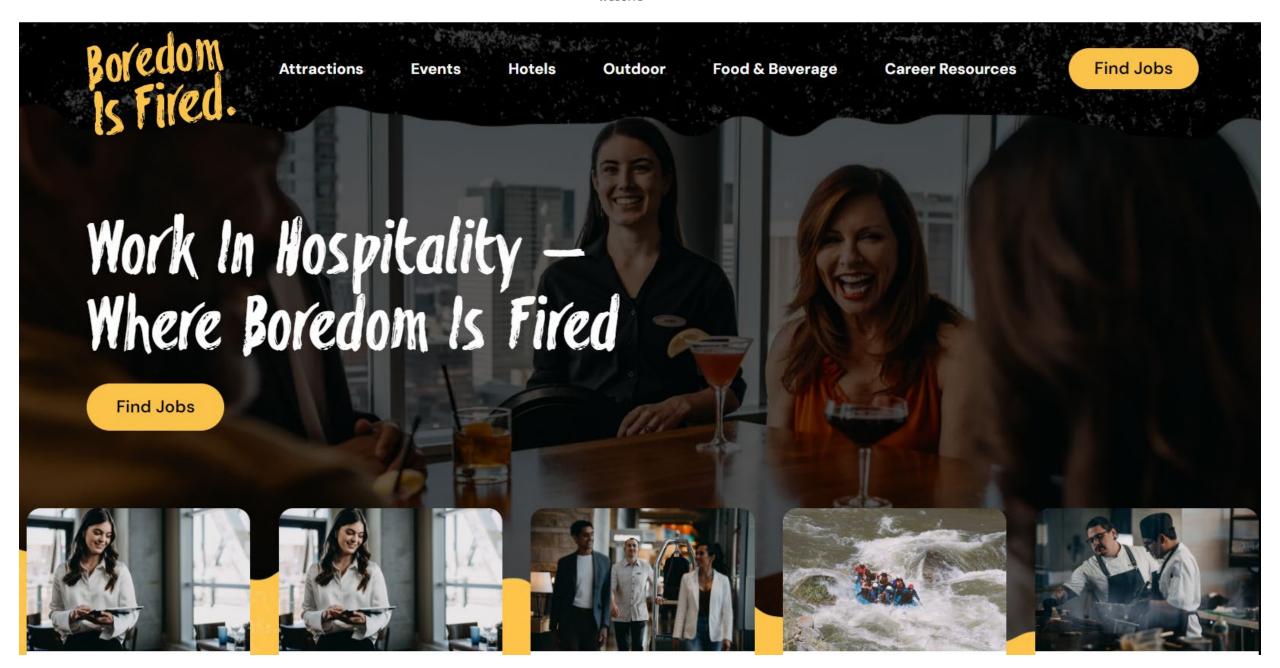






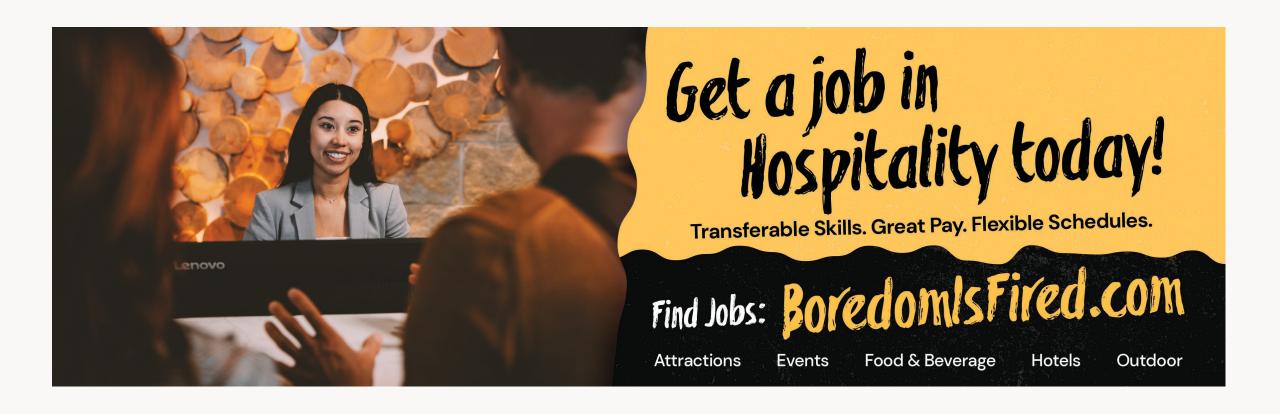
























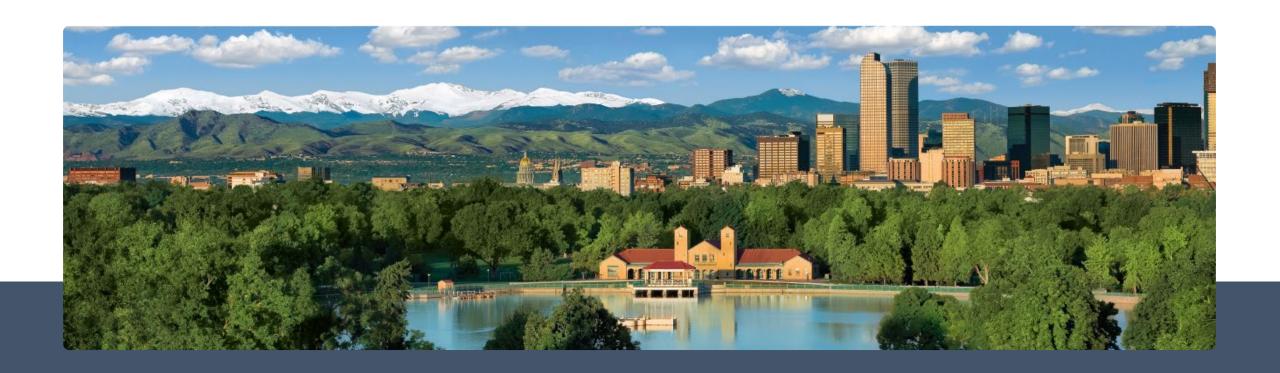












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