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**ALLYSHIP 2023**  
**WOMEN'S SUMMIT**  
OF THE ROCKIES

**WOMEN IN POWER!**  
**Annual Women's Summit of the Rockies**

GOLDEN, Colorado – How apropos that the West Metro Chamber of Commerce is hosting their annual Women's Summit of the Rockies, at the Colorado School of Mines! This conference is packed with learning, sharing and collaborative opportunities. Presenters such as CommunityWorks, Denver Business Journal, and Good Business Colorado, will provide thought-provoking, skill building and actionable business plans to elevate social progress and personal success.

*"We thank our strong community impact supporters that include BELMAR, Centura St. Anthony's Hospital, City of Lakewood, Colorado Arts Productions, Colorado Mills a Simon Center, Denver West Business Park, Mile High Creatives, and NTV 360 Denver," said Kristin Kim, Vice President of West Metro Chamber of Commerce. "These leaders have shown their allyship to women and businesses within Jefferson County Colorado and throughout the Rocky Mountains."*

A standout breakout session is a panel of eight from Xcel Energy – all women – who are coming ready to discuss their leadership roles in the \$2 billion investment in Colorado's electric infrastructure. Gain a supercharged perspective of these women's experiences working in an industry where women are underrepresented, and how each has contributed to a large project like Colorado's Power Pathway.

**Panelists:**

- ***Heather Brickey, Xcel Energy Project Director for Colorado's Power Pathway Project***
- ***Jennifer Chester, Xcel Energy manager for Siting & Land Rights ("S&LR") group***
- ***Amber Dedus, Xcel Energy Manager for Siting & Land Rights ("S&LR") group***
- ***Kelly Flenniken, Xcel Energy Director of Community Relations***
- ***Sandra Johnson, Xcel Energy RVP for Transmission Operations in Colorado***
- ***Julie Stencel, Xcel Energy Assistant General Counsel***
- ***Ashley Valdez, Xcel Energy Area Manager of Community & Local Government Affairs***
- ***Michelle Aguayo, Xcel Energy Media Relations Representative***

Get involved and be an ALLY to Women!

Attend the Women's Summit of the Rockies on Friday, February 17, 2023 (9 AM – 4 PM) at the Colorado School of Mines' Ben Parker Student Center! Buy tickets, or for your company to be a public sponsor at the event, visit the West Metro Chamber of Commerce online (<https://westmetrochamber.org>) or contact Melissa Estepp, CEO of Premier Events by Melissa (Melissa@PremierEventsByMelissa.com | 720.371.9138).

### **ABOUT WEST METRO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Headquartered in Lakewood, Colorado, the West Metro Chamber of Commerce champions the economic vitality for Jefferson County businesses at a local and state level. As a vertical within Jeffco's Economic Development Corporation ('EDC'), you can expect superior support, industry expertise, and expansive connections to resources throughout the community. (<https://westmetrochamber.org>)