

Heat Pump 'Petting Zoo' in D.C. Put Multiple Sustainability Solutions Under One Roof

Maybe this concept will be replicated in Denver. I hope so. It was described in a *Washington Post* article on April 13th. Here's a link to it: <https://wapo.st/3W2aPVU>.

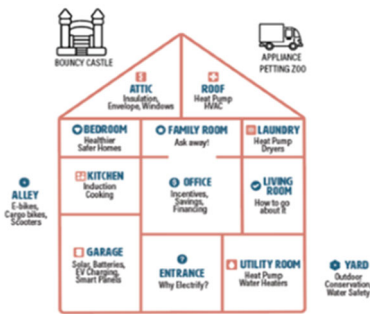


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The event was held in the DC Armory, allowing for various exhibits, including an electric car with a home charging station and a truck with a display of appliances inside. It was sponsored by Electrify DC, which brought together non-profits, local government entities, contractors, manufacturers and industry groups to provide one-stop shopping — or at least one-stop education — about how to electrify one's home

and one's life.

Because of copyright, I can't include the *Post's* photographs of the event, but here's a map of the Armory floor from the event website, www.HealthyHomeFair.org:



(It's more readable on the website, of course.)

In the "alley" were electric bicycles, cargo bikes and scooters, and there was a large area set aside

on the Armory floor for test rides. In the "attic" was information about better insulation, hi-tech windows and improving the building "envelope," plus information on heat pump HVAC solutions.

In the "laundry," heat pump dryers were displayed. Other appliances were in the "appliance petting zoo." The kitchen featured demonstrations of induction cooking.

In the "office" there were people to explain the available incentives and financing options.

In the "utility room" were heat

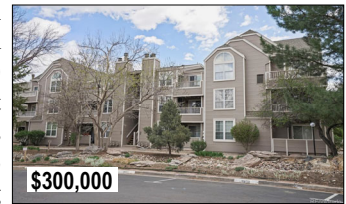
pump water heaters, and in the "garage" were home battery systems and that electric car with EV charging station.

In the "yard" was information about conservation, but I suspect there were also displays of electric yard equipment, including lawn mowers, trimmers, leaf blowers and snow blowers.

This kind of "healthy home fair" would be well received in Colorado, as demonstrated by the attendance at the various home and garden shows. I hope an entity in Denver will create such a fair.

2-BR Lakewood Condo Listed by Jim Swanson

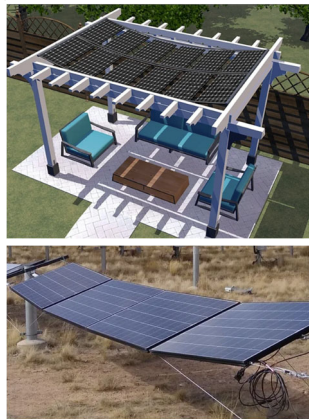
This clean two-bedroom condo with both a detached garage and assigned parking is at **5725 Atlantic Place #100** in the Sunpointe condos of southeast Lakewood. This garden level unit has new flooring throughout. It has two good sized bedrooms and a nice living space with a wood-burning fireplace. There's a small outdoor patio, with storage. The subdivision is west of Sheridan Blvd. and just south of Jewell. All furniture in the unit is included if the Buyer wants it, otherwise it will be removed. The garage space is #112, and assigned parking space is #118. The building got a new roof thanks to a hail storm, and the seller will have paid his portion of the deductible by closing. Find more pictures and video tour at www.LakewoodCondo.online, then call listing agent **Jim Swanson** at **303-929-2727** with to see it.



Backyard Solar Solutions: Pergolas and Hammocks

I recently learned about these products from Skysun, LLC. The solar pergola can be installed over an existing pergola or patio, or can be constructed new. The solar hammock (not for lying on!) is intended to be installed over a garden where partial shade is desired and can be made to track the sun for maximum efficiency. (See www.skysunsolar.com)

Given the limited size of the solar panels, these products only produce 1 to 4 kW of power, but they also provide shade. The power could be used for lighting (with battery storage) or to run an irrigation system for the garden.



Just Listed: 3-Bedroom Glennon Heights Home

This bi-level home at **11296 W. Kentucky Dr.** has been well maintained by the seller. It was painted and walkways replaced in 2006, and a new roof & siding were installed in 2017. The house is white with blue shutters and gutters, and a blue & white garage door was new in 2009. The seller put in a new, energy efficient furnace in 2014 and new acrylic shower & shower doors in 2007. The backyard is mostly flat now (due to the seller rocking the sloping landscape) and completely fenced. A lovely circular garden in the front yard takes minimal care and receives many compliments from neighbors and passersby. There are lilacs on two sides of the house, and an ornamental plum and two purple ash trees are in the backyard. Glennon Heights is a very quiet, friendly neighborhood. Most of the surrounding homeowners care about their yards, as does this seller. You will find magazine-quality photos and a narrated virtual tour at www.LakewoodHome.info. Then call listing agent **Jim Swanson** at **303-929-2727** to request a showing.



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