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## 'Discovery Tour' takes Sen. Zenzinger from business to business across Arvada



ARVADA -- State Senator Rachel Zenzinger devoted Saturday, April 5th to a tour in which she learned about some of the challenges facing small business owners in Arvada.

Sen. Zenzinger kicked off her "District Discovery Tour" with a stop at **40 Weight Coffee**, where she chatted with the shop's co-owner, Debbie Evans, and Arvada Chamber of Commerce President Kami Welch about the local economy.

Sen. Zenzinger visited the **Journey Brain Injury Community Services**, part of **A Wildflower Assisted Living**, to meet with Cheryl Catsoulis, the site's director, about the services the organization provides to patients with traumatic brain injuries.

The next stop on the Discovery Tour was lunch at **Jack's Bar & Grill**, where owners Scott Parker and Athan Miller chatted with Sen. Zenzinger about the restaurant's mission to provide job opportunities to individuals with developmental disabilities. Together, Jack's and **Steamer's Coffeehouse** employ over 40 developmentally disabled Coloradans.

Sen. Zenzinger continued her tour with stops at three local businesses in Arvada. She started at **Hi Country Wire & Telephone**, where she spoke with the company's managing director, Jim Whitfield, about Hi Country's work and the potential for the Senate to consider telecom legislation this year.

At **La Patisserie**, Sen. Zenzinger talked with owner Sadie Russo about the Arvada bakery, and wrapped up the day's tour with a visit to **Jake's Toy Box**, where she met with Jill Drive, the owner.

"I'm excited to see so many businesses and organizations thriving and benefiting Arvada in so many ways," said Sen. Zenzinger. "But I'm not surprised because I know how hard Arvadans work. I'm committed to holding up my end of the bargain by doing everything I can in the State Senate to help create an environment in which small businesses can grow and succeed."

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**About Sen. Rachel Zenzinger:** Sen. Rachel Zenzinger serves Colorado Senate District 19, which spans most of Arvada and the Jefferson County portion of Westminster. She was appointed to her seat and sworn into office on Dec. 13, 2013. She serves on the Senate Education Committee, Senate Local Government Committee and she is a Senate advisor to the Colorado Commission on Higher Education. Her professional background is in education, and she was coordinator of the Regis University Master of Arts in Education program. For more information about Sen. Zenzinger, please go to [www.RachelForColorado.com](http://www.RachelForColorado.com) or call her at 303-866-4840.