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## **Four Arapahoe County teens to be honored at metro banquet**

April 25, 2004 – Four teens from Arapahoe County will receive Metropolitan Mayors and Commissioners Youth Awards at the metro banquet at the Seawell Ballroom in the Denver Center for the Performing Arts Complex.

Metropolitan Mayors and Commissioners Youth awards, which were established in 1986, recognize youth, ages 13-19, who have shown outstanding achievement while overcoming personal adversity; who have created a positive change in their environment or who have contributed in their own quiet way. MMCYA awards are unique in that they recognize youth whose efforts are often overlooked. Eight counties, along with Arapahoe County, participate in the MMCYA program.

Arapahoe County teens to be honored April 25 at the Denver Center for the Performing Arts Complex include:

- Michael Anaya Jr., Colorado's Finest Alternative High School
- Tony Corley, Community College of Aurora
- Zelijko Spiric, Littleton High School
- Kasey McCarty, Options Alternative High School Program

MMCYA is a three-step recognition process with recipients first being honored at the city level. From this group 20 individuals are then selected for recognition at the county level, and finally four are selected from each of the nine participating counties to be honored at the metro banquet.

For more information about MMCYA contact either Carol Dosmann or Karen Richman in the Commissioners' Office at 303-795-4630.

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