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PEOPLE – PURPOSE



2022 OUTDOOR VOLUNTEER PROJECTS & SKILLS TRAININGS

Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado is a 501c3 nonprofit dedicated to motivating and enabling people to become active stewards of Colorado's natural resources. voc.org



FIND YOUR PEOPLE

People have been the foundation of Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC) since our start in 1984. From staff and agency partners planning the hands-on work, to volunteer leaders who rise early to load tools or make coffee, to the dozens of everyday Coloradans who give their free time to giving back – it takes a community to care for Colorado.

There is no doubt that this community is key to our decades of success, and we must grow our community to continue tackling Colorado's most pressing challenges. As you browse this year's volunteer and training calendar, you'll see new ways we are welcoming people to the VOC community and building a deeper connection to nature.

For example, this year we are partnering with different community groups to provide meaningful volunteer opportunities for our LGBTQIA+ and Black neighbors. We're also hosting our second annual American Sign Language (ASL) supported projects and our fourth annual Women Only project, this time as an overnight due to popular demand!

You'll also see more projects in city neighborhoods, particularly those that have been disproportionately impacted by pollution, lack of green space, and little-to-no tree canopy. We're taking the lead from local groups to engage residents in projects that will improve their community's health, climate resiliency, and access to nature.

It is our hope that, through these efforts, the VOC community will better represent and serve the many different people who call Colorado home. We have more in common than the ground beneath our feet, but we think that is a pretty good place to start.



OTHER WAYS TO HELP CARE FOR CO

DONATE online at voc.org/support or with the enclosed envelope.

SHARE THIS CALENDAR. Share a link on social media or ask if you can post this on a local community bulletin board.

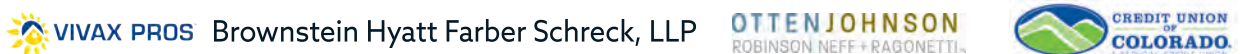
SPREAD THE WORD. Tell others about your connection to VOC and encourage your friends, colleagues, and networks to get involved.



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

for making our work possible and for helping us engage thousands of volunteers.

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From financial support to corporate volunteer days, learn how your company can care for Colorado at voc.org/sponsorships.

FIND YOUR PROJECT

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COLORADO IS CALLING!

Our state is rich with places to explore from state parks to iconic mountain towns, plains and valleys with starry skies, and unique destinations like the moose-viewing capitol of Colorado.

And there are so many ways to get there when you volunteer with Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC)! Whether you prefer to swing tools on the trail, cook breakfast at sunrise, rev up a chainsaw, take photos, or put your leadership skills to use, you can do it all with VOC.

No matter how you choose to volunteer, you'll discover new places and a caring community of people, all while making an immediate difference for Colorado's outdoors.

Contact us at outreach@voc.org or 303-715-1010 ext. 116 to learn more about the many ways you can get involved or visit voc.org/volunteer to sign up for a project today.

- **Free to volunteer**
All you need is a good attitude and closed-toe shoes.
- **No training needed**
We'll teach you everything you need to know.
- **No long-term commitment**
Sign up for as few or as many projects as you like.



REGISTER FOR A PROJECT TODAY: VOC.ORG/VOLUNTEER

SKIP THE WAITLIST! VOC MEMBERS REGISTER EARLY

Invest \$40 or more in the future of Colorado's outdoors to become a VOC Member and receive perks like early registration for volunteer projects and discounted State Park passes.

Learn more at voc.org/membership



VOLUNTEERS FOR OUTDOOR
COLORADO

2022 PROJECT CALENDAR

LEGEND: ● EASY ■ MODERATE ◆ DIFFICULT TRAINING

APRIL

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* Earth Day
† Arbor Day

Date	Project Name	Nearest Town	Min. Age	Difficulty
APR 2-3	Crew Leadership for Trails Training @ Roxborough State Park	Littleton	16	▲
APR 9-10	Riparian Restoration @ Southern Plains Land Trust	Lamar	14	● ■
APR 16	Campground Improvements & Sawyer Project @ Jackson Lake State Park	Orchard	16	● ■
APR 23	Family Friendly: Earth Day Work Day @ Growing Gardens	Boulder	6	●
APR 23	ASL Supported: Gold Camp Path Reroute @ Stratton Open Space	Colorado Springs	16	■
APR 23-24	Spring Trail Skills Training	Boulder	16	▲

MAY

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* Colorado Public Lands Day

MAY 5-8	Chainsaw Training & Certification Workshop	San Luis Valley	18	▲
MAY 7	Crew Leadership for Ecological Restoration Training	Greeley	16	▲
MAY 14	Habitat Improvements @ High Plains Environmental Center	Loveland	14	■ ◆
MAY 14-15	Electric Hills Trail Construction	Montrose	14	■ ◆
MAY 14-15	Crew Leadership for Trails Training @ Mt. Evans Outdoor Lab	Evergreen	16	▲
MAY 21	Bear Canyon Trail Construction @ Roxborough State Park	Littleton	14	● ■ ◆
MAY 21-22	Intro to Trail Design Training @ Mt. Evans Outdoor Lab	Evergreen	18	▲
MAY 24	Weekday Morning: Community Food Gardening @ Observatory Park	Denver	8	●
MAY 25	Weekday Morning: Community Food Gardening @ Christ the King	Denver	8	●
May 26	Weekday Afternoon: Community Food Gardening @ Harvard Gulch Park	Denver	8	●

JUNE 1: JULY & AUGUST PROJECTS OPEN FOR REGISTRATION

JUNE

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* National Trails Day
† National Get Outdoors Day

JUN 4	Legacy Trail Construction @ Gateway Mesa Open Space #1	Castle Rock	16	■ ◆
JUN 4-5	Sangre Spring Trail Kickoff	Crestone	18	◆
JUN 11-12	Crossroads Trail Construction @ Hayden Meadows Recreation Area	Leadville	15	■
JUN 18	Pride Month Project: Raccoon Trail Reroute @ Golden Gate Canyon State Park	Black Hawk	14	■ ◆
JUN 18-19	Forest Health @ Buffalo Creek #1	Deckers	18	◆
JUN 18-19	Crosscut Saw Training & Certification Workshop	Buffalo Creek	18	▲
JUN 20-24	5-Day Crosscut @ Weminuche Wilderness	Creede	18	◆
JUN 23	Weekday: Ski Jump Trail Reroute @ Chautauqua	Boulder	14	■
JUN 25	Trail Restoration @ Red Rock Canyon Open Space	Colorado Springs	12	● ■
JUN 25-26	14er: Trail Construction @ Mt. Shavano	Monarch	18	◆

JULY

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JUL 9-10	BioBlitz! Community Science @ Conejos Canyon	Antonito	16	◆
JUL 9-10	Family Camping: Post-Fire Trail Restoration @ Shambhala Mountain Center	Red Feather Lakes	6	● ■
JUL 13	Weekday: Maxwell Falls Trail Restoration #1	Conifer	16	● ■
JUL 16	Habitat Restoration @ Mt. Evans Wilderness #1	Evergreen	12	■
JUL 16-17	Jim Creek Trail Restoration	Winter Park	18	◆
JUL 23	Half-Day: Habitat Restoration @ James Peak	Nederland	8	●
JUL 23-24	Devil's Head Trail Restoration	Sedalia	16	◆
JUL 27	Weekday: Maxwell Falls Trail Restoration #2	Conifer	16	● ■
JUL 29	Weekday: Habitat Restoration	Platteville	14	■
JUL 30-31	Wildlife Habitat Restoration	Gypsum	15	■
JUL 30-31	Habitat Restoration @ Moon Pass	La Garita	14	◆

AUGUST 1: SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER PROJECTS OPEN FOR REGISTRATION

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AUG 4	Weekday: TBD @ Boulder	Boulder	14	■
AUG 6-7	Family Camping: Tiger to Galena Ditch Trail Construction	Breckenridge	6	● ■ ◆
AUG 10	Weekday: Habitat Restoration @ Mt. Evans Wilderness #2	Evergreen	12	■
AUG 12	Weekday: Kayak Trip & Habitat Restoration @ South Platte River	Brighton	18	■
AUG 12-14	Lost Lake Trail Construction @ Cottonwood Pass	Buena Vista	14	■ ◆
AUG 13	Habitat Restoration @ Mt. Evans Wilderness #3	Evergreen	12	■
AUG 13-14	Recreation Improvements @ Alamosa Canyon	La Jara	18	■
AUG 20-21	Lake Agnes Trail Restoration @ State Forest State Park	Walden	16	■ ◆
AUG 20-21	Post-Fire Trail Restoration @ Williams Fork	Parshall	18	■ ◆
AUG 26-28	Ditch Trail Construction	Minturn	16	◆
AUG 27-28	Trail Construction @ Greenie Mountain	Monte Vista	14	● ■ ◆

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* National Public Lands Day

SEPT 1-4	Crosscut Saw Training & Certification Workshop	San Luis Valley	18	▲
SEPT 10-11	Accessibility Improvements @ Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area	Cotopaxi	18	● ■
SEPT 10-11	ASL Supported: Perimeter Trail Restoration	Ouray	16	■ ◆
SEPT 13	Weekday: Skunk Canyon Trail Restoration #1	Boulder	14	■
SEPT 14	Weekday: Skunk Canyon Trail Restoration #2	Boulder	14	■
SEPT 17	Trail Construction @ Glenmere Urban Wildlife Sanctuary	Greeley	16	■
SEPT 17	Friedman Family Foundation Presents: Habitat Restoration @ Sand Creek Park	Aurora	10	●
SEPT 17-18	Forest Health @ Buffalo Creek #2	Deckers	18	◆
SEPT 17-18	Ute Creek Trail Access @ Weminuche Wilderness	Creede	18	■
SEPT 24-25	Trail Construction @ North Fruita Desert Recreation Area	Fruita	12	● ■
SEPT 24-25	Habitat Restoration @ John Martin Reservoir State Park	Hasty	16	■ ◆

OCTOBER

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OCT 1	Trail Restoration @ Aiken Canyon	Colorado Springs	12	●
OCT 1	Tree Planting @ Jackson Lake State Park	Orchard	18	■
OCT 8	Legacy Trail Construction @ Gateway Mesa Open Space #2	Castle Rock	16	■ ◆
OCT 8-9	Women's Weekend: Riparian Restoration @ Southern Plains Land Trust	Lamar	14	● ■
OCT 15	Trail Restoration @ Castlewood Canyon State Park	Franktown	16	● ■
OCT 15-16	Trail Construction @ Horsetooth Mountain Open Space	Fort Collins	16	■
OCT 29	OCTOOLberfest - Celebrate a successful season and prepare tools for winter.	Lakewood	14	● ■
NOV 12	Volunteer Awards & Appreciation Night <i>Volunteer on 4+ projects this year to be invited to our annual awards night!</i>	Golden	N/A	🍂

Grossman Scholarship applications open in October! Check out voc.org/scholarship for requirements and details.

PROJECTS MAY CHANGE!

Connect with us at voc.org or [@voc_colorado](https://twitter.com/voc_colorado) and sign up for our e-newsletter to keep up-to-date with new projects, date changes, and more.

We can help find the project that's right for you!
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Group, youth, and corporate volunteer opportunities available!





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THE 2022 STEWARDSHIP SEASON IS HERE!

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- Restore areas burned by wildfires
- Plant urban gardens for food security
- Lead volunteer groups on projects
- Build sustainable recreation trails
- And more ways to care for Colorado!

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