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## **OUTDOOR VOLUNTEER PROJECTS & SKILLS TRAININGS**

Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to motivating and enabling people to become active stewards of Colorado's natural resources.







# EXPLORE. CONNECT. MAKE AN IMPACT.

## VOLUNTEER WITH VOC

Join Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC) for fun, meaningful opportunities to help care for the outdoor spaces that make Colorado so special. No matter your age, background, or abilities, there's a place for you in the VOC community.

From half-day planting projects in Denver to family-friendly day projects or overnight camping adventures in the mountains, VOC has something for everyone.



Not ready to dig into the dirt? Check out these other ways to get involved:



Support volunteer chefs  
on overnight projects



Organize VOC's tool cache  
and load and unload tools  
for weekend projects



Capture moments  
as a VOC project  
photographer



Organize and archive VOC's  
historical documents



## VOLUNTEER WITH VOC

Contact [abby@voc.org](mailto:abby@voc.org) or 303-715-1010 ext. 111 to learn more and find the right fit.

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for making VOC's work possible and for helping engage thousands of volunteers each year.

(as of February 17, 2025)

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## LET'S GET OUTSIDE—TOGETHER!

The 2025 volunteer season is packed with opportunities to connect, give back, and make a real difference in Colorado's great outdoors. Whether you're looking for something new and unique or a tried-and-true favorite, there's an opportunity for everyone to get involved.

- Help maintain, improve, and build Colorado's beloved trails
- Plant food gardens to support local communities
- Protect the land from extreme wildfires through proactive measures
- Get off the beaten path to support unique habitats
- Collect native seeds and track butterflies

Join the VOC community in keeping Colorado vibrant, healthy, and resilient. Together, we can make a difference!

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# 2025 VOC PROJECT & TRAINING CALENDAR



## Free to volunteer

Bring a good attitude and closed-toe shoes.



## No experience necessary

VOC will teach you what you need to know.



## No long-term commitment

Sign up however often you'd like.



Register for a project today  
**VOLUNTEERVOC.ORG**

● EASY

■ MODERATE

◆ DIFFICULT

▲ TRAINING

▲ PROJECTS

★ EVENTS

APRIL

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\* Earth Day † Arbor Day

DATE	PROJECT, TRAINING OR EVENT NAME	NEAREST TOWN	MIN. AGE	DIFFICULTY
APR 5	▲ Garden Repair @ High Plains Environmental Center	Loveland	16	● ■
APR 5	▲ OSI Instructor Training @ Denver or Virtual	Denver or Virtual	21	--
APR 11	▲ Weekday: Habitat Restoration @ Lakewood Dry Gulch	Denver	18	■ ◆
APR 12	▲ Tool Manager Training @ Lakewood	Lakewood	18	--
APR 12-13	▲ Willow Planting @ McIntire Spring	Sanford	14	● ■ ◆
APR 19-20	▲ Habitat Improvements @ Upper Red Cliff State Wildlife Area	Beulah Valley	16	● ■
APR 22	▲ Adult CPR and First Aid Training & Certification @ San Luis Valley	Monte Vista	16	--
APR 25	▲ Weekday: Park Improvements @ Campo Esperanza	Greeley	12	● ■
APR 25-27	▲ Chainsaw Training and Certification Workshop @ San Luis Valley	Del Norte	18	--
APR 26	▲ Arbor Day Planting @ Aurora	Aurora	12	■
APR 26-27	▲ Crew Leader for Trails Hybrid Training @ Castlewood Canyon State Park	Franktown	16	--

MAY

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\* Colorado Public Lands Day

MAY 3-4	▲ Intro to Trail Design @ Mt. Blue Sky Outdoor Lab	Evergreen	18	--
MAY 7	★ Naturally United	Denver	--	▲
MAY 9	▲ Trail Skills Training @ Fort Collins	Fort Collins	16	--
MAY 10	▲ Concrete Couch Park Improvements @ Colorado Springs	Colorado Springs	12	● ■
MAY 10-11	▲ Bay to Bay Trail Construction @ Horsetooth Reservoir	Fort Collins	16	■ ◆
MAY 16-18	▲ Crosscut Training and Certification Workshop @ San Luis Valley	Del Norte	18	--
MAY 17	▲ Rock Skills Hybrid Training @ Castlewood Canyon State Park	Franktown	16	--
MAY 17-18	▲ Wilderness First Aid @ Denver	Denver	16	--
MAY 17-18	▲ Trail Accessibility Improvements @ Salida	Salida	16	● ■
MAY 20	▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Planting @ Civic Center Park	Denver	8	●
MAY 21	▲ Weekday: Trail Maintenance @ Lookout Mountain Park	Golden	16	●
MAY 22	▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Planting @ Observatory Park	Denver	8	●
MAY 24	▲ Willow Planting @ Poudre River (Duran)	Greeley	16	● ■
MAY 27	▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Planting @ Governor's Mansion	Denver	8	●
MAY 29	▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Planting @ Harvard Gulch Park	Denver	8	●
MAY 30	▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Planting @ Christ the King Church	Denver	8	●
MAY 31	▲ Farm Season Kickoff @ Growing Gardens	Boulder	8	●
MAY 31	▲ Invasive Weed ID & Monitoring Workshop @ San Luis Valley	Del Norte	14	--
MAY 31-JUN 1	▲ Trail Construction @ North Fruita Desert	Loma	14	■ ◆

## June 2: Summer & Fall Projects Open for Registration

### JUNE

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\* National Trails Day

† National Get Outdoors Day

JUN 1	▲ Community Farm Support @ Village Exchange Center	Denver	15	●
JUN 4	▲ Weekday: Trail Maintenance @ Genesee Park	Golden	16	■
JUN 6	▲ Weekday: Bioblitz @ Signature Bluffs Natural Area	Greeley	10	●
JUN 6	▲ Weekday: Trail Construction @ Mt. Blue Sky Outdoor Lab	Evergreen	16	■◆
JUN 7	▲ Bioblitz @ Signature Bluffs Natural Area	Greeley	10	●
JUN 7-8	▲ Crew Leader for Trails Hybrid Training @ Golden Gate Canyon State Park	Golden	16	--
JUN 7-8	▲ National Trails Day: Trail Construction @ Greenie Mountain	Monte Vista	16	■
JUN 11	▲ Weekday: Shelf Lake Trail Maintenance @ Guanella Pass - Day 1	Grant	18	■◆
JUN 12	▲ Weekday: Flower Garden Maintenance @ Civic Center Park	Denver	8	●
JUN 13-15	▲ Chainsaw Training and Certification Workshop @ Nederland	Nederland	18	--
JUN 14	▲ Celebrating Pride Month: Pollinator Garden Planting @ Growing Gardens	Boulder	12	●■
JUN 14	▲ Rock Skills Hybrid Training @ Garden of the Gods	Colorado Springs	16	--
JUN 14-15	▲ Elk Meadow Trail Construction @ Mueller State Park	Divide	14	■
JUN 18	▲ Weekday: Trail Maintenance @ Fillius Park	Evergreen	16	■
JUN 20-22	▲ 3-Day: Archeology Adventure @ Saguache	Saguache	18	■
JUN 21-22	▲ Crosscut Training and Certification Workshop @ Nederland	Nederland	18	--
JUN 21-22	▲ Trail Reroute @ Castlewood Canyon State Park	Franktown	16	■◆
JUN 26	▲ Weekday: Flower Garden Maintenance @ Civic Center Park	Denver	8	●
JUN 26	▲ Weekday: Shelf Lake Trail Maintenance @ Guanella Pass - Day 2	Grant	18	■◆
JUN 27-29	▲ Chainsaw Training and Certification Workshop @ Fort Collins	Fort Collins	18	--
JUN 28	▲ Axton Ranch Trail Maintenance @ Coal Creek	Coal Creek	16	■◆

### JULY

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JUL 2	▲ Weekday: Trail Maintenance @ O'Fallon Park - Day 1	Kittredge	16	■
JUL 9	▲ Weekday: Noxious Weed Removal @ Mt. Evans Wilderness – Day 1	Upper Bear Creek	12	●■
JUL 10	▲ Weekday: Flower Garden Maintenance @ Civic Center Park	Denver	8	■
JUL 12-13	▲ Salt Creek Trail Maintenance @ Eagle	Eagle	16	■◆
JUL 16	▲ Weekday: Trail Maintenance @ Dedisse Park	Evergreen	16	■
JUL 18	▲ Weekday: Timber Step Construction @ Bible Park	Denver	16	■◆
JUL 19-20	▲ Wilderness First Aid @ Denver	Denver	16	--
JUL 19	▲ Raccoon Trail Reroute @ Golden Gate Canyon State Park - Day 1	Golden	16	■◆
JUL 20	▲ Noxious Weed Removal @ Sand Creek Park	Aurora	12	●■
JUL 22	▲ Weekday: Trail Work @ Cal-Wood Education Center	Jamestown	16	■
JUL 24	▲ Weekday: Flower Garden Maintenance @ Civic Center Park	Denver	8	●
JUL 25	▲ Weekday: Half-Day Noxious Weed Removal @ James Peak	Tolland	8	●
JUL 26-27	▲ Alamosa Guard Station Restoration @ Alamosa Canyon	Jasper	18	■◆

### AUGUST

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AUG 2	▲ Raccoon Trail Reroute @ Golden Gate Canyon State Park - Day 2	Golden	16	■◆
AUG 2	▲ Forest Health and Fuels Reduction @ Berrian Mountain Park	Evergreen	18	◆
AUG 2	▲ Ecological Restoration Skills: Erosion Control @ Aurora	Aurora	16	--
AUG 6	▲ Weekday: Trail Maintenance @ Echo Lake Park	Idaho Springs	16	■
AUG 7	★ Wash Park Block Party	Denver	--	🌳
AUG 9-10	▲ 14er: Trail Maintenance @ Mt. Democrat	Alma	18	◆
AUG 9-10	▲ Beaver Dam Analog Construction @ Wilcox Gulch	Crestone	16	■◆
AUG 13	▲ Weekday: Noxious Weed Removal @ Mt. Evans Wilderness – Day 2	Upper Bear Creek	12	●■
AUG 14	▲ Weekday: Flower Garden Maintenance @ Civic Center Park	Denver	8	●
AUG 15-17	▲ 3-Day: American Lakes Trail Maintenance @ State Forest State Park	Walden	18	◆
AUG 16	▲ Celebrating Women in Trail Work: Hall Ranch Trail Maintenance @ Boulder	Boulder	18	■
AUG 20	▲ Weekday: Trail Maintenance @ Summit Lake Park	Idaho Springs	16	■
AUG 23	▲ Native Seed Collection @ Boulder – Day 1	Boulder	8	●
AUG 23-24	▲ Wildlife Habitat Improvement @ Middle Creek	Saguache	16	■
AUG 23-24	▲ Meadow Restoration @ California Park	Hayden	16	■◆
AUG 25, 26, 27	▲ Weekday: Butterfly Monitoring @ Trumbull	Trumbull	18	■
AUG 28	▲ Weekday: Flower Garden Maintenance @ Civic Center Park	Denver	8	●
AUG 28, 29	▲ Weekday: Butterfly Monitoring @ Trumbull	Trumbull	18	■



# SEPTEMBER

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\* National Public Lands Day

SEPT 3	▲▲ Weekday: Trail Maintenance @ Corwina Park	Morrison	16	■
SEPT 6	▲▲ Geneva Meadow Fence Removal @ Guanella Pass	Grant	16	■◆
SEPT 6-7	▲▲ Aspen Slide Trail Maintenance and Reroute @ Granby	Granby	16	■◆
SEPT 10	▲▲ Weekday: Trail Work @ Boulder Valley Ranch	Boulder	16	■
SEPT 11	▲▲ Weekday: Flower Garden Maintenance @ Civic Center Park	Denver	8	●
SEPT 12	▲▲ Trail Skills Hybrid Training @ Granby	Granby	16	--
SEPT 13-14	▲▲ Strawberry Lake Trail Maintenance @ Granby	Granby	16	■◆
SEPT 13-14	▲▲ Russian Olive Removal @ Blanca Wetlands	Alamosa	18	◆
SEPT 17	▲▲ Weekday: Trail Maintenance @ O'Fallon Park - Day 2	Kittredge	16	■
SEPT 20-21	▲▲ Erosion Control @ Southern Plains Land Trust	Hasty	16	■◆
SEPT 23	▲▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Harvest @ Civic Center Park	Denver	8	●
SEPT 25	▲▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Harvest @ Harvard Gulch Park	Denver	8	●
SEPT 25	▲▲ Weekday: Flower Garden Maintenance @ Civic Center Park	Denver	8	●
SEPT 26-28	▲▲ 3-Day: National Public Lands Day - Gunnison Sage Grouse Habitat Improvement @ Villa Grove	Villa Grove	16	■◆
SEPT 27	▲▲ Park Improvements @ Arroyos del Sol Natural Area	Greeley	12	●■

# OCTOBER

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OCT 1	▲▲ Weekday: Trail Maintenance @ Red Rocks Park	Morrison	16	■
OCT 2	▲▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Harvest @ Observatory Park	Denver	8	●
OCT 4-5	▲▲ Cottonwood Caging @ Dolores River	Naturita	18	■
OCT 7	▲▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Harvest @ Governor's Mansion	Denver	8	●
OCT 9	▲▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Harvest @ Christ the King Church	Denver	8	●
OCT 11	▲▲ Trail Maintenance @ Pence Park	Kittredge	16	■
OCT 11-12	▲▲ Cascade Falls Park Trail Maintenance @ Ouray	Ouray	16	■
OCT 15	▲▲ Weekday: Trail Work @ Boulder Valley Ranch	Boulder	16	■
OCT 18	▲▲ Greenway Trail Maintenance @ Greenway Park	Denver	12	●■
OCT 18-19	▲▲ Wildfire Mitigation @ Buffalo Creek	Pine	18	◆
OCT 22	▲▲ Weekday: Trail Work @ Boulder Valley Ranch	Boulder	16	■
OCT 25	▲▲ Native Seed Collection @ Boulder - Day 2	Boulder	8	●
OCT 25	▲▲ OcTOOLberfest @ Lakewood	Lakewood	18	■
OCT 25-26	▲▲ Trail Maintenance @ Canyons of the Ancients National Monument	Cortez	16	■◆
TBD	★ Volunteer Awards & Appreciation Volunteer 3+ days in 2025 to snag an invite and celebrate the season!	TBD	--	🔥



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Your gift supports your favorite local trails and parks across the state.



Support the 2025 project season at [voc.org/support-voc](https://voc.org/support-voc)



## STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES & SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships available for environmental studies in post-secondary education.  
**Learn more:** [voc.org/scholarship](https://voc.org/scholarship)

Monthly high school programming available September through April.  
**Learn more:** [voc.org/cairn-high-school-program](https://voc.org/cairn-high-school-program)



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES MAY CHANGE

As the volunteer season unfolds, opportunities may shift due to weather patterns or evolving needs from land managers. Stay up-to-date by subscribing to VOC's e-newsletter and checking [volunteervoc.org](https://volunteervoc.org) for the latest projects and trainings.



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