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PROJECTS &
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2026

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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.





ONE DAY CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

It starts with you. 2026 brings new opportunities to show Colorado you care. When our communities come together, positive impact follows.

VOC has something for everyone.

- ▶ From half-days to weekend overnights,
- ▶ From city parks to Colorado's 14ers,
- ▶ From garden planting to trail building,
- ▶ From youth-friendly projects to backcountry stewardship experiences,

Find what's right for you.

To learn more about the many ways you can join the VOC community, visit voc.org/get-involved.

THANK YOU TO VOC'S 2026 SUPPORTERS

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

(as of February 15, 2026)

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Get Outside & Give Back

This season, roll up your sleeves and join Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado for hands-on stewardship across the state.

- ▶ Enjoy time outside caring for Colorado's most-loved trails and parks
- ▶ Support nearby communities by growing, harvesting, and donating fresh produce
- ▶ Help protect forests and communities from the impacts of extreme wildfires
- ▶ Restore habitats so Colorado's wildlife can continue to thrive

Register to volunteer today at volunteervoc.org.



Support the outdoor spaces that make Colorado special.
Donate today.



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Meet friendly faces. Explore new places.
VOLUNTEER WITH VOC

Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC) provides fun and meaningful volunteer experiences for people of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities to help care for Colorado's incredible outdoor spaces.

All are welcome — no training or prior experience is needed to volunteer with VOC.

2026 VOC PROJECT & TRAINING CALENDAR

▲ TRAINING
▲ PROJECT
★ EVENT
● EASY
■ MODERATE
◆ DIFFICULT

MARCH

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DATE	PROJECT, TRAINING OR EVENT NAME	NEAREST TOWN	MIN. AGE	DIFFICULTY
MAR 14–15	▲ Wilderness First Aid @ Denver	Denver	18	--
MAR 18	▲ Intro to Crew Chef Training: Webinar	Virtual	18	--
MAR 19	▲ Crew Leader Refresher Webinar	Virtual	16	--
MAR 21	▲ Intro to Crew Chef Training: In-Person	Lakewood	18	--
MAR 21	▲ Tool Manager Orientation @ Lakewood	Lakewood	18	--
MAR 28	▲ Adult CPR and First-Aid Training and Recertification @ Denver	Denver	16	--
MAR 28	▲ Adult CPR and First-Aid Training and Certification @ Denver	Denver	16	--

APRIL

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* Earth Day † Arbor Day

APR 4	▲▲ Black Canyon Open Space Trail Construction @ Manitou Springs	Manitou Springs	16	■
APR 11–12	▲▲ Dark Sky Courtyard Construction @ Jackson Lake State Park	Orchard	14	●
APR 11–12	▲▲ Section 13 Trail Maintenance @ Cañon City	Cañon City	16	■
APR 18	▲ Family Stewardship Day: Cottonwood Tree Planting @ Plains Conservation Center	Aurora	12	●■
APR 18–19	▲ Willow Planting @ McIntire Spring	Sanford	14	●
APR 25–26	▲ Crew Leader for Trails @ Castlewood Canyon State Park	Franktown	16	--

MAY

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* Colorado Public Lands Day

MAY 1–3	▲ Chainsaw Training and Certification Workshop @ San Luis Valley	Del Norte	18	--
MAY 2	▲ Indigenous Environmental Stewardship Training	Denver	16	--
MAY 2	▲ Trail Construction and Surfacing @ Cherry Creek State Park	Aurora	14	■◆
MAY 2–3	▲ Dolores River Riverbank Restoration @ Naturita	Naturita	18	■
MAY 2–3	▲ Intro to Trail Design	Franktown	18	--
MAY 6	★ Naturally United	Denver	--	▲
MAY 8	▲ Weekday: Village Farm Preparations and Planting @ Aurora	Aurora	15	●
MAY 9	▲ 5K Trail Maintenance @ Aurora Reservoir	Aurora	14	■
MAY 9	▲ Ecological Restoration Training: Beaver Dam Analogs	Littleton	16	--
MAY 13	▲ Weekday: McCloskey Natural Area Trail Maintenance @ Greeley	Greeley	14	■
MAY 16	▲ Half Day: Farm Preparations and Planting @ Loveland Youth Gardeners	Loveland	10	●
MAY 16	▲ Rock Skills @ Garden of the Gods	Colorado Springs	16	--
MAY 16–17	▲ Crew Leader for Trails @ Ouray	Ouray	16	--
MAY 16–17	▲ Crosscut Training and Certification Workshop @ San Luis Valley	Del Norte	18	--
MAY 20	▲ Weekday: Half-Day Trail Maintenance @ Lookout Mountain Park	Golden	16	■
MAY 20	▲ Weekday: Noxious Weed Removal @ DEN Open Space	Denver	10	●
MAY 21	▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Planting @ Observatory Park	Denver	8	●
MAY 26	▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Planting @ Governor's Mansion	Denver	8	●
MAY 27	▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Planting @ Christ the King	Denver	8	●
MAY 28	▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Planting @ Community Ministry	Denver	8	●
MAY 29	▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Planting @ Harvard Gulch	Denver	8	●
MAY 30	▲ Celebrating Women in Trails: Trail Skills Training @ Jamestown	Jamestown	16	--
MAY 30–31	▲ Uncompahgre River Walk Trail and Fence Repair @ Ouray	Ouray	16	■

June 1: Summer & Fall Projects Open for Registration

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* National Trails Day

JUN 3	▲ Weekday: Half-Day Trail Maintenance @ Fillius Park	Evergreen	16	■
JUN 6	▲ Noxious Weed Training @ Evergreen	Evergreen	16	--
JUN 6	▲ Family Stewardship Day: Community Food Garden Preparations @ Denver Green School	Denver	8	●
JUN 6-7	▲ National Trails Day: Pronghorn Trail Maintenance @ Del Norte	Del Norte	16	◆
JUN 6-7	▲ Crew Leader for Trails @ Golden Gate Canyon State Park	Golden	16	--
JUN 13	▲ Sustainable Forestry Management Workshop	Evergreen	16	--
JUN 13	▲ Celebrating Pride Month: Noxious Weed Removal with Friends of the Front Range Wildlife Refuges	Commerce City	10	●
JUN 13	▲ Creek Bottom Trail Reroute @ Castlewood Canyon State Park	Franktown	14	■
JUN 17	▲ Weekday: Half-Day Trail Maintenance @ Corwina Park	Kittredge	16	■
JUN 20	▲ Rock Skills @ Golden Gate Canyon State Park	Golden	16	--
JUN 20	▲ Geologic Overlook Trail Reroute @ Red Rocks Park	Morrison	16	■
JUN 20-21	▲ Button Rock Preserve Trail Reroute @ Lyons - #1	Lyons	16	◆
JUN 26	▲ Trail Skills Training @ Granby	Granby	16	--
JUN 26-28	▲ 3-Day: Crosscut Trail Clearing @ Weminuche Wilderness	Creede	18	◆
JUN 27-28	▲ Hogback Trail Reroute @ Granby	Granby	16	◆

JULY

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JUL 1	▲ Weekday: Half-Day Trail Maintenance @ Genesee Park	Golden	16	■
JUL 8	▲ Weekday: Noxious Weed Removal @ Mt. Evans Wilderness - Day 1	Evergreen	12	■
JUL 11	▲ Raccoon Trail Reroute @ Golden Gate Canyon State Park - Day 1	Golden	16	◆
JUL 11-12	▲ Gunnison Sage Grouse Habitat Restoration @ Poncha Pass	Villa Grove	16	◆
JUL 15	▲ Weekday: Shelf Lake Trail Maintenance @ Guanella Pass - Day 1	Grant	18	◆
JUL 15	▲ Weekday: Half-Day Trail Maintenance @ Dedisse Park	Evergreen	16	■
JUL 17	▲ Trail Skills Training @ Granby	Granby	16	--
JUL 17-19	▲ 3-Day: American Lakes Trail Reroute @ State Forest State Park	Gould	18	◆
JUL 18-19	▲ Gilsonite Trail Bridge and Turnpike Replacements @ Granby	Granby	18	◆
JUL 22	▲ Weekday: Shelf Lake Trail Maintenance @ Guanella Pass - Day 2	Grant	18	◆
JUL 24	▲ Weekday: Half-Day Noxious Weed Removal @ James Peak	Nederland	8	●
JUL 25-26	▲ Community Science: Wildlife Fencing Survey @ South Fork	South Fork	16	■
JUL 29	▲ Weekday: Abyss Trail Erosion Control @ Guanella Pass - Day 1	Grant	18	◆
JUL 29	▲ Weekday: Half-Day Trail Maintenance @ Echo Lake Park	Idaho Springs	16	■
JUL 31	▲ Weekday: Trail Construction @ Cal-Wood Education Center	Jamestown	12	■

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AUG 1-2	▲ 14er: Trail Maintenance @ Mount Democrat	Alma	18	◆
AUG 1-2	▲ Preachers Hollow Trail Reroute @ Mueller State Park	Divide	14	■
AUG 5	▲ Weekday: Abyss Trail Erosion Control @ Guanella Pass - Day 2	Grant	18	◆
AUG 7-9	▲ 3-Day: Lone Pine Trail Maintenance @ Mount Zirkel Wilderness	Walden	18	◆
AUG 7-9	▲ 3-Day: Beaver Dam Analog Construction @ Sangre de Cristo Wilderness	Crestone	18	◆
AUG 8	▲ Ecological Restoration Training: Erosion Control @ Aurora	Aurora	16	--
AUG 12	▲ Weekday: Noxious Weed Removal @ Mt. Evans Wilderness - Day 2	Evergreen	12	●
AUG 12	▲ Weekday: Signature Bluffs Primitive Trail & Habitat Stewardship @ Greeley - Day 1	Greeley	12	■
AUG 15	▲ Raccoon Trail Reroute @ Golden Gate Canyon State Park - Day 2	Golden	16	◆
AUG 15-16	▲ Meadow Restoration Rock Structures @ Upper Yampa River Basin	California Park	16	◆
AUG 19	▲ Weekday: Signature Bluffs Primitive Trail & Habitat Stewardship @ Greeley - Day 2	Greeley	12	●
AUG 22	▲ Noxious Weed Removal @ Sand Creek Park	Aurora	12	●
AUG 22	▲ Restoration Rock Structures @ Majestic View Nature Center - Day 1	Arvada	16	◆
AUG 23	▲ Restoration Rock Structures @ Majestic View Nature Center - Day 2	Arvada	16	◆
AUG 24-28	▲ Weeklong: Archeology Survey @ South San Juan Wilderness	Antonito	18	◆
AUG 24	▲ Weekday: Butterfly Monitoring @ Deckers - Day 1	Deckers	18	◆
AUG 25	▲ Weekday: Butterfly Monitoring @ Deckers - Day 2	Deckers	18	◆
AUG 26	▲ Weekday: Butterfly Monitoring @ Deckers - Day 3	Deckers	18	◆
AUG 26	▲ Weekday: Half-Day Trail Maintenance @ Summit Lake Park	Idaho Springs	16	■
AUG 27	▲ Weekday: Butterfly Monitoring @ Deckers - Day 4	Deckers	18	◆
AUG 28	▲ Weekday: Butterfly Monitoring @ Deckers - Day 5	Deckers	18	◆
AUG 29	▲ Forest Health and Fuels Reduction @ Denver Mountain Park	TBD	18	◆
AUG 29-30	▲ Southern Plains Land Trust Trail Construction & Surfacing @ Las Animas	Las Animas	14	■

SEPTEMBER

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* National Public Lands Day

SEPT 9	▲▲ Weekday: Half-Day Trail Maintenance @ O'Fallon Park	Kittredge	16	■
SEPT 12	▲▲ Celebrating Women in Trails: Hidden Valley Trail Construction @ Boulder	Boulder	14	● ■ ◆
SEPT 12-13	▲▲ Top of the Pines Trail Construction @ Ridgway	Ridgway	16	■
SEPT 12-13	▲▲ Russian Olive Removal @ Blanca Wetlands	Alamosa	18	◆
SEPT 16	▲▲ Weekday: Hidden Valley Trail Construction @ Boulder - Day 1	Boulder	14	● ■ ◆
SEPT 19	▲▲ Rooney Valley Trail Rock Step Construction @ Green Mountain	Lakewood	16	■ ◆
SEPT 19-20	▲▲ 14er: Trail Maintenance @ Mount Sneffels	Ouray	18	◆
SEPT 19-20	▲▲ Button Rock Preserve Trail Reroute @ Lyons - #2	Lyons	16	◆
SEPT 23	▲▲ Weekday: Half-Day Trail Maintenance @ Pence Park	Kittredge	16	■
SEPT 25	▲▲ Weekday: Timber Step Construction @ Parkfield Lake Park	Denver	18	■ ◆
SEPT 26-27	▲▲ National Public Lands Day: Pine Cone Collection @ Walden	Walden	16	■
SEPT 26-27	▲▲ National Public Lands Day: Storm King Campground Fence Rebuild @ La Garita	La Garita	16	■

OCTOBER

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OCT 1	▲▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Harvest @ Observatory Park	Denver	8	●
OCT 3	▲▲ Fountain Valley Trail Maintenance @ Roxborough State Park	Littleton	16	■
OCT 6	▲▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Harvest @ Community Ministry	Denver	8	●
OCT 7	▲▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Harvest @ Christ the King	Denver	8	●
OCT 7	▲▲ Weekday: Half-Day Trail Maintenance @ Red Rocks Park	Morrison	16	■
OCT 7	▲▲ Weekday: Hidden Valley Trail Construction @ Boulder - Day 2	Boulder	14	● ■ ◆
OCT 8	▲▲ Weekday: Young Professionals Community Food Garden Harvest @ Harvard Gulch	Denver	8	●
OCT 10	▲▲ Wildfire Mitigation @ South Platte Ranger District	TBD	18	◆
OCT 12	▲▲ Weekday: Community Food Garden Harvest @ Governor's Mansion	Denver	8	●
OCT 17-18	▲▲ Trail Maintenance @ Canyons of the Ancients National Monument	Cortez	16	■
OCT 20	▲▲ Weekday: Russian Olive Removal @ Greeley - Day 1	Greeley	18	◆
OCT 21	▲▲ Weekday: Russian Olive Removal @ Greeley - Day 2	Greeley	18	◆
OCT 24	▲▲ OcTOOLberfest	Lakewood	18	● ■
TBD	★ Volunteer Awards & Appreciation Volunteer on 3+ projects this year to be invited to our annual awards event.	TBD	--	🏆



Register for a
Volunteer Project



Register for
a Training

Looking for something a little different?

- ▶ Support volunteer chefs on overnight projects
- ▶ Provide assistance with office tasks
- ▶ Represent VOC at community events
- ▶ Help manage VOC's tool cache
- ▶ ...and more!

Need help finding the right fit? Contact voc@voc.org or 303-715-1010 ext. 111.

Volunteer opportunities may change

As the volunteer season unfolds, opportunities may shift due to weather or evolving needs from land managers. Stay up-to-date by subscribing to VOC's e-newsletter and checking volunteervoc.org.



Student Opportunities & Scholarships

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

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To register or learn more, visit volunteervoc.org or call 303-715-1010 ext. 111. *Group, youth, and corporate volunteer opportunities available.*