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So many ways to get involved...

Sign up for any project at voc.org/volunteer or visit voc.org/get-involved to learn about the other ways you can be a champion for Colorado.



Crew Chefs like Wes

plan and prepare meals to keep others well-fed and fueled on VOC projects. Wes has been on over 100 projects and also helps as a Crew Leader.



Crew Leaders like Joe

lead others on projects to ensure everyone has a fun, safe, and rewarding experience. Joe became a Crew Leader in 2016 and has volunteered nearly 200 hours.



Tool Managers like Renee

organize and transport tools and equipment to and from VOC projects. Renee first volunteered with us in 1999.



Cairn Mentors like Shawn

guide high school students through monthly activities in our Cairn Youth Program. Shawn is currently mentoring her second year of Cairn students.



Social Chairs like Alex

help plan fun activities and make everyone feel welcome on VOC projects. Alex worked with us as a Seasonal Project Manager in 2017 and is also a Crew Leader.



VOC Members like Traci

contribute financially to help make every project a success, funding food, tool trucks, planning, and more. Traci has also volunteered on more than 70 projects since 2002.

Be a Champion for Colorado

Leave your legacy on the outdoors through volunteer and training opportunities with Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC)



2019 Outdoor Volunteer & Training Opportunities

voc.org

Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado's mission is to motivate and enable people to become active stewards of Colorado's natural resources.

Be a Champion through Philanthropy.

In order to address Colorado's most critical stewardship needs, we rely on financial support from people like you! When you contribute to VOC, you become part of a growing community that is investing in the state and outdoor places you love. Help fund this important work with the enclosed envelope or by donating securely online at voc.org. When you donate \$40 or more, you become a VOC Member and receive perks like early registration for volunteer projects!

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Be a Champion for the Outdoors

It's peaceful here. You look at the magnificent landscape and fill your lungs with fresh, clean air. The wind rustles, the birds sing, the sun warms your shoulders, and a few friends chat quietly in the distance. In the hectic pace of modern life, it is easy to forget how calming nature can be. You lay down your tools and head back to the trailhead, amazed at the work accomplished along the way. The trail you built feels like it's been there for years. The meadow is free from harmful weeds you pulled, and the riverbank is lined with willows you planted. You grab a cold drink and toast with new friends to a job well done and a day well spent.

This is how it feels to be a champion for Colorado; to not only leave no trace, but to leave each place – every park, trail, and campground – better than you found it.

This is how it feels to volunteer with VOC.

For 35 years, people like you have given their time to ensure that Colorado's outdoor places stay pristine against the thousands of feet, wheels, and hooves that pass over them every year. These heroes are on the front lines of restoration efforts and behind every hike, adventure, and accessible vista we enjoy.

There's a place for you, too, to be a champion for the outdoors with Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado.

Browse our volunteer opportunities below – from half-day planting projects to family camping and weeklong trips in the backcountry – and sign up for one project or many at voc.org/volunteer.

You can find other ways to do your part at voc.org/get-involved

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LEGEND:

EASY

MODERATE

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TRAINING

FAMILY

 Camping Available

 High Altitude (9000+)

 Costs/Deposits Involved

 Ecological Restoration

| Date | Project Name | Location | Min. Age | Key |
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| MAR 16 | Adult First Aid/CPR Training | Denver | 15 | |
| MAR 23 | First Aid/CPR Recertification Training | Denver | 15 | |

April

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* Earth Day
† Arbor Day

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| APR 6 | Native Planting @ Tamarack State Wildlife Area | Sterling | 10 | |
| APR 6-7 | OSI Instructor Training | Denver | 18 | |
| APR 12-13 | Crew Leadership for Trails Training | Durango | 18 | |
| APR 13-14 | Crew Leadership for Trails Training | Alamosa | 18 | |
| APR 20 | Earth Day: Garden Bed Construction @ High Plains Environmental Center | Loveland | 10 | |
| APR 24 | VOC Crew Chef Training Webinar <i>Optional orientation at our Lakewood Ops Center on April 27</i> | Online | 16 | |
| APR 27 | Flexible Family Volunteering @ Bluff Lake Nature Center <i>No registration needed!</i> | Denver | N/A | |
| APR 27 | Trail Construction @ Signature Bluffs Natural Area | Greeley | 12 | |
| APR 27 | Backcountry Crew Chef Training | Beulah | 16 | |
| APR 27-28 | Spring Trail Skills Training | Beulah | 16 | |

Keep an eye on voc.org/cairn to apply for our high school Cairn Youth Program, open to Front Range students and adult mentors!

May

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* Colorado Public Lands Day

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| MAY 4 | Trail Construction @ Pronghorn Natural Area | Aurora | 12 | |
| MAY 4-5 | Campground Restoration @ Midland Tunnels | Buena Vista | 12 | |
| MAY 4-5 | VOC Crew Leader Training | Evergreen | 16 | |
| MAY 7 | Happy Hour Campfire Sessions w/ REI @ Resolute Brewing | Centennial | N/A | |
| MAY 11 | Mother's Day Pollinator Planting @ Mattive Open Space | Brighton | 10 | |
| MAY 11-12 | Crew Leadership for Trails Training | Buena Vista | 18 | |
| MAY 11-12 | Crosscut Saw Skills Training & Certification | Crestone | 18 | |
| MAY 18-19 | Family Camping: Trail Construction & Habitat Restoration @ Baca National Wildlife Refuge | Crestone | 6 | |
| MAY 21 | Evening Gardening @ Observatory Park <i>Join us in the Fall to harvest what you plant! Stay tuned for details.</i> | Denver | 8 | |
| MAY 22 | New Leader Night — <i>Join us to learn about volunteer leadership and project support positions.</i> | Denver | N/A | |
| MAY 23 | Weekday Forest Health @ Genesee Park #1 | Golden | 12 | |
| MAY 30 | Evening Gardening @ Harvard Gulch Park <i>Join us in the Fall to harvest what you plant! Stay tuned for details.</i> | Denver | 8 | |

June 1: Summer Projects Open for Registration

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* National Trails Day
† National Get Outdoors Day

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| JUN 1 | National Trails Day: Trail Construction @ Gateway Mesa Open Space #1 | Castle Rock | 14 | |
| JUN 1-2 | Intro to Trail Design Training @ Lory State Park | Fort Collins | 18 | |
| JUN 8 | Young Stewards @ Bluff Lake Nature Center <i>This half-day project is for families with children ages 6-12.</i> | Denver | 6 | |
| JUN 8-9 | Ramsour South Trail Construction @ Midland Hill <i>A Mike O'Brien Memorial Project</i> | Buena Vista | 14 | |
| JUN 10-14 | 5-Day Backcountry: Goose Creek Trail Restoration @ Lost Creek Wilderness | Deckers | 18 | |
| JUN 15-16 | Crew Leadership for Trails Training | Golden | 16 | |
| JUN 15 | Trail Construction @ Stratton Open Space | Colorado Springs | 14 | |
| JUN 21 | Shelf Lake Trail Restoration @ Guanella Pass #1 | Bailey | 14 | |
| JUN 22-23 | Family Camping: Trail Construction @ Stagecoach State Park | Steamboat Springs | 6 | |
| JUN 22-23 | Cotton Creek Trail Restoration @ Sangre de Cristo Mountains | Crestone | 14 | |
| JUN 22-23 | Crosscut Saw Skills Training & Certification | Buffalo Creek | 18 | |
| JUN 27-30 | 14er: Trail Restoration @ Mt. Elbert | Leadville | 18 | |
| JUN 28 | Shelf Lake Trail Restoration @ Guanella Pass #2 | Bailey | 14 | |
| JUN 29-30 | Everkrip Trail Construction | Minturn | 14 | |

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| JUL 5 | Herman Gulch Trail Restoration #1 | Georgetown | 14 | |
| JUL 6-7 | South Lottis Trail Restoration @ Fossil Ridge Wilderness | Gunnison | 16 | |
| JUL 11 | Weekday Forest Health @ Genesee Park #2 | Golden | 12 | |
| JUL 11 | Herman Gulch Trail Restoration #2 | Georgetown | 14 | |
| JUL 13-14 | Idlewild Gateway Trail Construction <i>A Mike O'Brien Memorial Project</i> | Winter Park | 14 | |
| JUL 15 | Chicago Lakes Trail Restoration @ Mt. Evans Wilderness #1 | Idaho Springs | 14 | |
| JUL 20 | Half-Day Ecosystem Restoration @ James Peak | Nederland | 8 | |
| JUL 20-21 | Rito Seco Trail Construction — <i>A Mike O'Brien Memorial Project</i> | San Luis | 14 | |
| JUL 22-26 | 5-Day Backcountry: Island Lakes Trail Restoration @ Flat Tops Wilderness | Meeker | 18 | |
| JUL 27-28 | BioBlitz! Citizen Science @ Conejos Canyon | Antonito | 16 | |
| JUL 27-28 | Sherman Creek Trail Construction @ Arapaho National Forest | Granby | 14 | |

August 1: Fall Projects Open for Registration

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| AUG 2-4 | Treasure Creek Trail Restoration @ South San Juan Wilderness | La Jara | 18 | |
| AUG 3 | Mountain Lion Trail Restoration @ Golden Gate Canyon State Park <i>Featuring a post-project happy hour by Colorado Native</i> | Golden | 14 | |
| AUG 3 | Chicago Lakes Trail Restoration @ Mt. Evans Wilderness #2 | Idaho Springs | 14 | |
| AUG 8 | BioBlitz! Citizen Science @ McCloskey Natural Area | Greeley | 12 | |
| AUG 10-11 | Family Camping: Salt Lick Trail Construction | Silverthorne | 6 | |
| AUG 16-18 | 14er: Grizzly Gulch Trail Restoration @ Handies Peak | Lake City | 16 | |
| AUG 17-18 | South Fork Trail Restoration | Parshall | 14 | |
| AUG 19-23 | 5-Day Backcountry: Archuleta Trail Restoration @ Weminuche Wilderness | South Fork | 18 | |
| AUG 24-25 | Ruby Jewell Trail Restoration @ State Forest State Park | Walden | 16 | |

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| SEP 5 | TBD: Weekday Trail Work | Boulder | 14 | |
| SEP 7-8 | 14er: Grays & Torreys Trail Restoration | Georgetown | 16 | |
| SEP 14 | Habitat Restoration @ Singletree | Edwards | 14 | |
| SEP 14-15 | Judd Falls Trail Reroute @ Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory <i>Overnight cabin camping available!</i> | Crested Butte | 14 | |
| SEP 21-22 | Trail Construction @ The Book Cliffs | Fruita | 14 | |
| SEP 28 | National Public Lands Day: Panorama Point Trail Restoration @ Corwina Park | Morisson | 14 | |
| SEP 28-29 | National Public Lands Day @ Rio Grande Natural Area | Antonito | 16 | |

October

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| OCT 2 | 5th Annual Uniquely Colorado <i>Celebrate VOC's season with the stewardship and business communities.</i> | Denver | N/A | |
| OCT 5 | Trail Construction @ Gateway Mesa Open Space #2 | Castle Rock | 14 | |
| OCT 10 | TBD: Weekday Trail Work | Boulder | 14 | |
| OCT 12 | Pioneer Trail Restoration @ Barr Lake State Park | Brighton | 14 | |
| OCT 12-13 | Hankins Pass Trail Restoration @ Lost Creek Wilderness | Deckers | 14 | |
| OCT 19 | Park Improvements & Trail Construction @ Staunton State Park | Pine | 12 | |
| OCT 26 | OctOOLberfest <i>Celebrate a successful season and prepare tools for winter.</i> | Lakewood | 14 | |
| NOV 2 | Volunteer Awards & Appreciation Night — <i>Volunteer on 4+ projects this year to be invited to our annual awards night!</i> | Golden | N/A | |

PROJECTS MAY CHANGE! Connect with us at www.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!
Contact us at voc@voc.org or 303-715-1010.

