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## It's Here! VOC's 2020 Project Season Calendar

### Featuring...

- 61 volunteer projects across 45 locations
- Family-friendly camping weekends
- Voluntourism and Wilderness trips
- *And so much more!*

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# Find Your Place in caring for Colorado



## 2020 Outdoor Volunteer & Training Opportunities

[voc.org](http://voc.org)

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

## New Decade, New Ways to Care for Colorado

Since 1984, VOC has been developing new ways to engage everyday people in taking care of Colorado's outdoor places.

As we enter a new decade, we're once again looking to the future of Colorado. We are working today to prepare for the challenges of tomorrow, refining our approach to volunteer stewardship and encouraging all Coloradans to unite in caring for nature and natural places.

As you look at this year's projects, you'll see more opportunities that directly benefit the health of Colorado's waterways, wildlife, and native plant species. You'll also notice more "citizen science" projects, offering Coloradans a new way to meaningfully contribute to responsible land management.

This expanding approach to stewardship, along with a growing Field Office program in the San Luis Valley and Weld County, will help us welcome more people in Colorado's growing population to find their place with VOC.

We believe we all have a place in the outdoors, and we all have a place in caring for them.

No matter your background, we invite you to join our stewardship community and come together for Colorado.





# Come Together for Colorado

Whether you like to garden alongside neighbors or discover new sights across the state, you can get outside and give back with Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC).

Spend a morning removing noxious weeds to promote native plant growth, or a weekend repairing trails to support sustainable recreation. No matter how you give, you'll be part of a growing community that is coming together for Colorado, as Coloradans.

Sign up today to help keep Colorado healthy for people, plants, and animals.

**It's easy to get started!**



Learn more and register for a project today at

**voc.org/volunteer**

## 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](http://voc.org/membership)

VOC is a 501c3 nonprofit



**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.

April

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\* Earth Day  
† Arbor Day

### LEGEND:

● EASY

■ MODERATE

◆ DIFFICULT

TRAINING

Date	Project Name	Nearest Town	Min. Age	Difficulty
APR 4	Prairie Dog Habitat Improvements @ Pawnee National Grassland	Ault	16	■
APR 11	Native Planting @ Tamarack State Wildlife Area	Sterling	10	● ■
APR 18	Earth Day Planting @ High Plains Environmental Center	Loveland	12	● ■
APR 22	VOC Crew Chef Training Webinar <i>Optional orientation at our Lakewood Ops Center on April 25</i>	Online	16	
APR 24-26	Voluntourism @ Picket Wire Canyon — <i>Optional Friday tour of the largest set of dinosaur tracks in North America!</i>	La Junta	14	■ ◆

Keep an eye on [voc.org/cairn](http://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



MAY 2-3	VOC Crew Leader Training	Evergreen	16	
MAY 2-3	Electric Hills Trail Construction	Montrose	14	■
MAY 8-10	Stewardship Adventure: Trail Construction & Canoe Trip @ Gunnison River	Grand Junction	18	■ ◆
MAY 9	Panorama Point Trail Restoration @ Corwina Park	Morrison	14	■
MAY 14	BioBlitz! Citizen Science @ Pumpkin Ridge & Hunter's Cove	Greeley	12	●
MAY 16	Colorado Public Lands Day: Erosion Control Rock Structures @ Rio Grande Natural Area	Antonito	14	■ ◆
MAY 16	Backcountry Crew Chef Training	Evergreen	16	
MAY 16-17	Spring Trail Skills Training	Evergreen	16	
MAY 20	Weekday: Forest Health @ Genesee Park	Golden	12	■
MAY 22	Weekday: Hell's Hole Trail Restoration @ Mt. Evans Wilderness #1	Idaho Spgs	14	■
MAY 26	Evening Gardening @ Governor's Mansion — <i>Join us in the fall to harvest what you plant! Stay tuned for details.</i>	Denver	8	●
MAY 28	Weekday: Hell's Hole Trail Restoration @ Mt. Evans Wilderness #2	Idaho Spgs	14	■
MAY 28	Evening Gardening @ Harvard Gulch Park — <i>Join us in the fall to harvest what you plant! Stay tuned for details.</i>	Denver	8	●
MAY 30-31	Crew Leadership for Trails Training	Leadville	16	

### JUNE 1: SUMMER PROJECTS OPEN FOR REGISTRATION

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\* National Trails Day  
† National Get Outdoors Day



JUN 2	Evening Gardening @ Civic Center Park	Denver	8	●
JUN 4	New Volunteers Only: Evening Gardening @ Observatory Park — <i>Join us in the fall to harvest what you plant! Stay tuned for details.</i>	Denver	8	●
JUN 5-7	Campsite Inventory & Restoration @ Lost Creek Wilderness	Deckers	16	■ ◆
JUN 6-7	Crew Leadership for Trails Training @ Golden Gate Canyon State Park	Black Hawk	16	
JUN 6-7	Intro to Trail Design Training @ Mt. Evans Outdoor Lab	Evergreen	18	
JUN 6-7	National Trails Day: Midland Trail Construction — <i>A Mike O'Brien Memorial Project</i>	Buena Vista	14	● ■ ◆
JUN 13	Stratton Springs Path Improvements @ Stratton Open Space	Colorado Spgs	14	■
JUN 13-14	Crew Leadership for Trails Training	Mancos	16	
JUN 13-14	Family Camping: Timber Step Construction @ Lake Pueblo State Park	Pueblo	6	● ■
JUN 19	Weekday: Herman Gulch Trail Restoration @ Georgetown #1	Georgetown	14	■ ◆
JUN 19-21	Chainsaw Training & Certification Workshop	Buffalo Creek	18	
JUN 20	Forest Health @ Genesee Park — <i>Sign up for the morning, afternoon, or the entire day!</i>	Golden	12	■
JUN 27	Legacy Trail Construction @ Gateway Mesa Open Space with the Colorado Lottery	Castle Rock	14	■ ◆
JUN 27-28	Crosscut Saw Training & Certification Workshop	Buffalo Creek	18	
JUN 29	Young Stewards @ Bluff Lake Nature Center — <i>This half-day project is for families with children ages 6-12.</i>	Denver	6	●

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JUL 2	Weekday: Herman Gulch Trail Restoration @ Georgetown #2	Georgetown	14	■ ◆
JUL 6	Weekday: Shelf Lake Trail Restoration @ Guanella Pass #1	Bailey	14	■
JUL 10	Weekday: Shelf Lake Trail Restoration @ Guanella Pass #2	Bailey	14	■
JUL 11-12	Family Camping: Trail Construction @ Turquoise Lake <i>A Mike O'Brien Memorial Project</i>	Leadville	6	■
JUL 15	Mid-Season Tool Maintenance	Lakewood	14	● ■
JUL 18-19	BeaverBlitz! Citizen Science	South Fork	14	● ■ ◆
JUL 18-19	Salt Lick Trail Construction @ Silverthorne	Silverthorne	12	■ ◆
JUL 20-24	5-Day Backcountry: Goose Creek Trail Restoration @ Lost Creek Wilderness	Deckers	16	◆
JUL 25	Half-Day Habitat Restoration @ James Peak	Nederland	8	●
JUL 25	Wildlife Habitat Improvements @ Sheephorn — <i>Friday camping available!</i>	Sheephorn	14	■
JUL 25-26	Habitat Restoration @ Moon Pass	La Garita	14	◆
JUL 31	Weekday: Chicago Lakes Trail Restoration @ Mt. Evans Wilderness #1	Idaho Spgs	14	■ ◆

### AUGUST 1: FALL PROJECTS OPEN FOR REGISTRATION

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\* Colorado's 144th Birthday



AUG 1-2	Trail Construction @ Tolland Ranch — <i>A Mike O'Brien Memorial Project</i>	Nederland	16	■ ◆
AUG 3	Weekday: Chicago Lakes Trail Restoration @ Mt. Evans Wilderness #2	Idaho Spgs	14	■ ◆
AUG 6	Weekday: Trail Construction @ Mt. Evans Outdoor Lab #1	Evergreen	16	■
AUG 7-9	14er: Trail Restoration @ Mt. Elbert	Leadville	18	◆
AUG 8-9	Family Camping: Trail Maintenance @ Stagecoach State Park	Oak Creek	12	■
AUG 15-16	Weekend Crosscut @ Weminuche Wilderness	Creede	18	◆
AUG 15-16	Ruby Jewel Trail Restoration @ State Forest State Park	Walden	16	■ ◆
AUG 17	Weekday: Kayak Trip & Habitat Restoration @ South Platte River	Brighton	16	■
AUG 22-23	Trail Construction @ Sacramento Creek Ranch	Fairplay	16	● ■
AUG 24-28	Weeklong Crosscut @ Weminuche Wilderness	Creede	18	◆
AUG 29-30	ASL Inclusive: Raccoon Trail Reroute @ Golden Gate Canyon State Park	Black Hawk	14	■ ◆
AUG 29-30	14er: Devils Playground Trail Restoration @ Pikes Peak	Colorado Spgs	18	◆

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SEP 10	TBD: Weekday Trail Work	Boulder	14	●
SEP 12-13	Half Nelson Trail Restoration @ Minturn	Minturn	14	■ ◆
SEP 12-13	14er: Trail Restoration @ Grays & Torreys	Silver Plume	16	◆
SEP 19	Trail Construction @ Glenmere Park Natural Area	Greeley	12	■
SEP 19-20	South Fork Trail Restoration @ Grand County	Parshall	14	■ ◆
SEP 24	Weekday: Trail Construction @ Mt. Evans Outdoor Lab #2	Evergreen	16	■
SEP 26	National Public Lands Day: Panorama Point Trail Reroute @ Corwina Park	Morrison	16	■ ◆
SEP 26-27	Backcountry Trail & Campsite Construction @ Mueller State Park <i>A Mike O'Brien Memorial Project</i>	Divide	14	◆

October

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OCT 3-4	Hankins Pass Trail Restoration @ Lost Creek Wilderness	Deckers	14	■
OCT 3-4	Citizen Science: Abandoned Mine Mapping @ Los Mogotes	Antonito	14	■ ◆
OCT 8	TBD: Weekday Trail Work	Boulder	14	●
OCT 10	Women Only: Legacy Trail Construction @ Gateway Mesa Open Space	Castle Rock	14	● ■ ◆
OCT 24	OctTOOLberfest — <i>Celebrate a successful season and prepare tools for winter.</i>	Lakewood	14	● ■

NOV 14	Volunteer Awards & Appreciation Night — <i>Volunteer on 4+ projects this year to be invited to our annual awards night!</i>	Golden	N/A	
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**PROJECTS MAY CHANGE!** Connect with us at [www.voc.org](http://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](mailto:voc@voc.org) or **303-715-1010**.



**To register or learn more** about a project, visit [voc.org/volunteer](http://voc.org/volunteer) or call us at **303-715-1010**.

Group volunteer opportunities available. We also need volunteers to help with photography, tool transport, and camp cooking!