

Important Update for Our Leaders



To Our Leaders,

Volunteering is a wonderful way to bring people together, and it's important to Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC) that we do so in a safe and responsible manner. As the COVID-19 virus (aka: the Coronavirus) continues to grow as a public health concern, we want to ensure that we do our part to limit the spread of the virus.

As such, we are cancelling all March programs, projects, and trainings.

As we continue to monitor the situation and follow CDC guidelines, there is a strong possibility that our April events will also be affected.

We will keep you apprised of any changes and/or cancellation of our programs, projects and trainings as they arise. Please note that cancellations may occur quickly pending changes in state and national COVID-19 conditions.

In the meantime, we plan to take the following precautions on VOC projects:

- VOC will modify various on-project procedures to protect public health and will inform volunteers of these changes through pre-project and on-project communications. Please be sure to read pre-project emails closely for updates. You may be asked, for example, to bring your own gloves. We may also modify our food preparation process and ask volunteers to bring their own food.
- If you attend a project and are exhibiting signs of illness, VOC Staff will send you home or to the nearest medical facility.

Yesterday, VOC made the decision to voluntarily close our Denver office and work remotely for the foreseeable future. We have made this decision out of an abundance of caution, and to do our part in protecting the community and slowing the spread of the virus. At this time, we are unaware of any known exposure to COVID-19 within our staff.

We ask that you please join us in this effort by familiarizing yourself with the symptoms of the Coronavirus (these include, but are not limited to, fever, cough, and shortness of breath) and staying home from volunteer projects if you are in a high-risk population as defined by the Center for Disease Control (CDC), or if you feel unwell. Even if your condition seems minor, there are many people on our volunteer projects and what seems like an inconvenience to you could be a significant detriment to someone else.

We thank you for your understanding and participation in making sure our volunteer projects stay fun and safe for all. If you have any concerns or questions on this topic, please contact Anna Zawisza at anna@voc.org or 303-715-1010 ext. 125.

Thank you,
All of us at VOC

Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado (VOC) is a statewide nonprofit organization dedicated to motivating and enabling people to become active stewards of Colorado's natural resources. Founded in 1984, VOC is a nationally recognized leader in outdoor volunteerism, having helped more than 125,000 people of all ages get involved in and become inspired to care for Colorado's outdoors.

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