

In 2013 alone... 638 VOLUNTEERS contributed 16,344 hours preserving The Colorado Trail, an astounding \$366,596 worth of labor!



**The Colorado Trail
Foundation**

Adopt-A-Trail VOLUNTEERS • 253 Adopters & Helpers • 3,142 hours:

- Maintained the 567-mile CT (as they do annually)
- 76 volunteer Adopters plus their helpers
- Multiple excursions each summer
- Cleared the Trail, sawing and removing numerous fallen trees
- Cleaned hundreds of water diversions to preserve the tread and limit Trail erosion
- Repaired, replaced and installed signage, including directional signs and confidence markers
- Cut back foliage
- Repaired rockslides
- Reported Trail conditions to the CTF for planning & USFS coordination

Trail Crew VOLUNTEERS • 271 Crew Members • 8,532 hours:

- Improved The Colorado Trail
- 10 weeklong and 4 weekend Volunteer Trail Crews with an average of 19 participants each
- Constructed 2 new bridges and replaced 2 old, rotten ones
- Built and refurbished hundreds of water diversions (rolling dips, check steps, etc.)
- Improved 2 equestrian creek crossings
- Removed trees and overgrowth
- Removed 20 tree stumps from new trail alignment
- Built 4,024 feet of new trail on the CT
- Completed 395 feet of new turnpike in boggy areas
- Constructed 60 foot boardwalk
- Flagged, designed drainage & surveyed 32 miles of trail to be built
- Took in and fed Trail users and educated them about the CTF

Behind the Scenes VOLUNTEERS • 114 incl. Board, Operations & Office • 4,670 hours:

- Provided vision, planning, financial assistance, etc. (volunteer Board Members)
- Educated Trail users via on-Trail Outreach
- Made and installed Trail signs
- Scouted, organized and planned logistics for crews and special projects
- Collaborated with Forest Service personnel on trail work and maintenance, etc.
- Managed programs including Trail Crews and Adopt-A-Trail
- Volunteered pro-bono, professional services in graphic design, marketing, editing, etc.
- Mailed *Tread Lines* newsletter and other publications keeping 12,100 households informed
- Delivered completion certificates to over 100 completers
- Reached new CT Friends with presentations and brochures
- Handled accounting and oversight
- Delivered thank-you notes to donors and volunteers
- Partnered with many organizations including the USFS, BLM, CMC, Trails 2000, COMBA, CDTC and others
- Maintained the CTF website, keeping current all the valuable public info
- Registered participants for Trail Crews
- Planned events including the Friends Picnic, Durango Reception and Holiday Party
- Helped author revision of CT guides

Thanks to CTF Volunteers and Donors like you, The Colorado Trail remains one of the nation's premier long distance trails. Preservation of The Colorado Trail was made possible through your help!

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