



APPLICATION
 Nature Center Volunteer
 Friends of El Paso County Nature Centers

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

E-mail: _____ Phone (Cell) _____

Emergency Contact (Name, Phone Number) _____

Why do you want to become a nature center volunteer? _____

How did you hear about volunteer opportunities with El Paso County Parks? _____

What skills and interests do you have to offer the program? _____

List your **work or volunteer experience** related to nature, recreation, working with the public, working with people with disabilities, etc.

Education: Please indicate the highest level of education completed. High School

College/University Graduate School Other (please specify): _____

Credentials or Degrees Earned (if applicable): _____

Majors or Fields of Study: _____

Knowledge/Experience/Skills: Please check the following as they apply to you. Experience is not required and we provide multiple training opportunities to all volunteers.

Experience talking to groups	___ Much	___ Some	___ None
Experience teaching/working with children	___ Much	___ Some	___ None
Experience working with people with disabilities	___ Much	___ Some	___ None
Knowledge of Colorado plants and animals	___ Much	___ Some	___ None

(over)

Areas of Volunteer Interest: Please rate your interest and willingness to volunteer in each of the following categories according to the scale below:

- 1- Yes, I am interested and would like to be involved in this volunteer opportunity.
- 2- Yes, I am somewhat interested and would be willing to give this volunteer opportunity a try.
- 3- No, I am not interested in being involved in this volunteer opportunity.

- Helping at visitor reception desk at nature centers
- Leading school field trip programs
- Volunteering with special events
- Guiding Trailability program trail rides/walks
- Assisting with trail restoration
- Promoting our nature centers at outreach events

Are you comfortable walking up to 3 miles, including some uphill, in various weather conditions? Yes No *(only applies to certain volunteer positions)*

What languages do you speak well? _____

This position requires you to be age 18 or older. Do you meet this qualification? Yes No

Work Status: Please check any of the following that apply:

- Working full or part time (indicate days and hours) _____
- Looking for full or part time work
- Student
- None of the above

Availability: When are you available for volunteer work? _____

Volunteer Agreement: Please read carefully before signing

I understand the training offered by El Paso County Recreation and Cultural Services is provided under the agreement that I do my best to donate a minimum of **40 hours** of volunteer time during the twelve months following training. I will do my best to meet the responsibilities of the position for which I volunteer. I will present the best possible impression of El Paso County Parks and myself to the visiting public.

Signature

Date

Please return via email to: bcfcvolunteers@gmail.com

or

mail to:

Volunteer Coordinator
Friends of El Paso County Nature Centers
245 Bear Creek Road
Colorado Springs, CO 80906