

Calendar of Events

April 8, 2025

Vollee Alliance: Volunteer Orientations

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM MST

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April 9, 2025

Organizational Culture's Impact on Volunteer Recruitment & Retention

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM MST

Brittany Smith,
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This session is sponsored by Volgistics and will discuss will discuss transforming volunteer management to volunteer engagement by factoring in the impact of organizational culture on volunteer recruitment and retention strategies. The session will conclude with exploring volunteer program auditing and action planning.

Speaker Bio: Dr. Nathan A. Schaumleffel, CPRE, ACNP, CFRM, CVA, CYSA is Proprietor and Senior Consultant of Driven Strategic LLC, a consultancy specializing in nonprofit & public organizations; parks & recreation; park foundations & friends groups; youth & human services; and university engagement. He is also a registered Professional Fundraising Consultant with the Indiana Attorney General and served on the faculty of the Park Foundation School at Oglebay National Training Center. He serves as Associate Professor and Campus/Executive Director of the nationally award-winning Nonprofit Leadership Alliance Certification Program at Indiana State University (ISU), as well as coordinates the Public Lands & Recreation Administration Program and teaches in the MPA & MBA programs from the Department of Political Science. Dr. Schaumleffel holds a Ph.D. in Recreation, Sport, & Tourism with a focus in Youth and Community Development from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He also holds a M.S.Ed. in the Administration of Recreation and Park Systems and a B.S. in Recreation Program Services both from Southern Illinois University Carbondale where he was named the Recreation Alumnus of the Year in 2014. He also earned an A.A. and A.S. from Southwestern Illinois College.

April 17, 2025

Boulder County Morning Networking

The Old Oak Coffeehouse

08:00 AM - 09:30 AM MST

Lisa Hughes,
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April 24, 2025

Training Staff to Supervise and Engage Volunteers

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM MST

Lauren Kirwin,
lakirwin12@gmail.com

The best way to retain volunteers is to provide a positive and meaningful volunteer experience. In this session, you will learn how to create a volunteer engagement training to teach your staff how to supervise and engage volunteers.

Presenter Lauren Kirwin is the Young Adult Engagement Manager on the Volunteer Engagement Team at Habitat for Humanity of Metro Denver. For eight years, she has engaged community members through various non-profit organizations and is dedicated to providing opportunities for young people to give back to their community and find their passion. Lauren is a new member of the DOVIA board and is excited to provide professional development experiences for professionals in volunteerism.

May 8, 2025

The Power of Storytelling

02:00 PM - 03:30 PM MST

Karla Grahn,

karla.grahn@flydenver.com

In this session you will learn to:

Understand the importance of storytelling in nonprofit organizations and its impact on donor engagement, volunteer engagement, fundraising outcomes, and stakeholder perceptions.

Be able to conduct comprehensive audits and assessments of a nonprofit's current storytelling efforts across various platforms, including websites, social media, newsletters, and fundraising materials.

Develop tailored recommendations to enhance an organization's storytelling strategy, based on identified areas for improvement.

Speaker Bio:

With over two decades in the nonprofit sector, Shama Shams, CFRE is a seasoned executive skilled in strategic planning, fundraising, marketing, and communications, driving growth, building strong brands, and empowering impoverished individuals through leadership, community engagement, and impactful storytelling.

May 13, 2025

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May 15, 2025

DOVIA Fun Event: Ukulele Lessons!

Swallow Hill Music

71 E Yale Ave

Denver, CO 80210

02:00 PM - 03:30 PM MST

Patty Jackson,

patty@swallowhillmusic.org

Join DOVIA member Patty Jackson at Swallow Hill Music for a tour and a great time learning how to play to Ukulele! This session is just for fun to help ease you into the summer! You'll get to see how this amazing music venue operates and let loose with a little music. Snacks provided. Come one, come all!

May 22, 2025

NoCo Coffee and Networking

Cinnamon's Bakery Loveland Yards

5673A McWhinney Blvd

Loveland, CO 80538

07:30 AM - 09:00 AM MST

Heather Jackson,

heather.jackson3@uchealth.org

Join us for networking and connection at Cinnamon's Bakery in Loveland. This is a time to connect with other volunteer administration professionals, share ideas, encourage each other, and problem-solve. This event is open to everyone in Colorado and is free to attend. We hope to see you there!

**Drinks and/or food are not provided.*

June 5, 2025

Working with Baby Boomers

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM MST

Bobbie D'Addario,

baddario@alz.org

In this session we'll discuss the advantages and special considerations of working with older volunteers.

Bobbie D'Addario is the Senior Program Manager for the Alzheimer's Association, Colorado Chapter. For over 36 years, Bobbie has worked in the nonprofit sector. She began her career as a Social Worker in Buffalo, New York but has been in Colorado for almost thirty years. Bobbie is passionate about people, service, connection and relationships. She worked with youth and volunteers for many years, then with the homeless and those in recovery. She joined the Alzheimer's Association in August of 2021 as the volunteer coordinator and has recently transitioned to the position of Senior Program Manager in the Denver Metro and some of the Mountain areas. She is most excited to work with community partners and to provide volunteers with the tools that they need to reach people in need of our services. With Alzheimer's and all other dementia at an all time high, we need as many voices as possible in conversation about services, treatment, and advocacy.

June 10, 2025

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July 8, 2025

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Rayback Collective

2775 Valmont Rd

Boulder, CO 80304

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October 16, 2025

Boulder County Morning Networking

Ozo Coffee

1232A S. Howes St.

Longmont, CO 80501

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October 16, 2025

Using AI to Improve Your Program

Zoom

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Details TBD

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