

**TUESDAY  
JAN 10**

● National Conference on Volunteering and Service and CCOV Recaps

TIME 8:30 - 10:00AM  
 LOCATION Respite Care, 6203 S Lemay Ave, Fort Collins, CO 80525  
 FACILITATORS Serena Robb, *Poudre Library District*, Charlotte Boney, *City of Fort Collins*  
 SESSION TYPE Member Meeting  
 DESCRIPTION *Learn from conference attendees. What were their take aways? Should you attend a volunteer-focused conference in 2017? Come with your questions and insights!*

**WEDNESDAY  
JAN 18**

■ Hot Chocolate Social

TIME 3:00 - 4:30PM  
 LOCATION Hudson Gardens, 6115 S Santa Fe Dr, Littleton, CO 80120  
 SESSION TYPE Social  
 DESCRIPTION *Get over the hump day blues with hot chocolate and DOVIA! Join other volunteer management professionals for an afternoon of casual networking with our favorite winter beverage.*

**WEDNESDAY  
FEB 1**

▲ Fostering a Volunteer Program That Grows Itself

TIME 8:30 - 10:00AM  
 LOCATION Community Food Share - Louisville, 650 S Taylor Ave, Louisville, CO 80027  
 SESSION TYPE Educational Session  
 DESCRIPTION *Learn and share with peers about best practices for supporting and growing a volunteer program. This includes: equipping volunteers to speak about your organization and its volunteer opportunities; choosing, training and sending out the right volunteers as ambassadors for your program; and conveying to your staff the importance of volunteers and how staff can contribute to the success of the program.*

**THURSDAY  
FEB 9**

■ ▲ Evaluation 101

TIME 12:00 - 2:00PM  
 LOCATION Butterfly Pavilion, 6252 W 104th Ave, Westminster, CO 80020  
 FACILITATOR Maggie Miller, *Maggie Miller Consulting*  
 SESSION TYPE Educational Session  
 DESCRIPTION *How is your volunteer program perceived by volunteers and community members? Do your evaluation questions really get you the information you need? If you aren't sure, join DOVIA and the Scientific & Cultural Collaborative for this education session that will give you the tools to start taking a practical hands-on look at your evaluation techniques and questions! In addition to learning from an expert, you will have a chance to share your struggles and grow from your peers' experiences.*

**WEDNESDAY  
FEB 15**

● Grant Writing for Nonprofit Professionals

TIME 11:30AM - 1:00PM  
 LOCATION Crossroads Safehouse, 421 Parker St, Fort Collins, CO 80524  
 FACILITATOR Nalo Johnson, *Grants Development Specialist, City of Fort Collins*  
 SESSION TYPE Educational Session  
 DESCRIPTION *Learn from a grant writing expert on identifying appropriate project fit and the components of a competitive application.*

**THURSDAY  
MAR 16**

● **What's Your Professional Development Journey?**

TIME  
LOCATION  
SESSION TYPE  
DESCRIPTION

3:30 - 5:00PM  
Community Room, 215 N Mason St, Fort Collins, CO 80521  
Idea Exchange  
*Share your career goals and experiences with a group of like-minded individuals. Idea Exchange participants will walk away with concrete ideas to help develop and enhance their career planning vision.*

**THURSDAY  
MAR 23**

**Training Other Staff to Work Effectively with Volunteers**

TIME  
LOCATION  
FACILITATOR  
SESSION TYPE  
DESCRIPTION

9:30 - 11:00AM  
TBD, Colorado Springs Region  
Allison Bird, *Humane Society of the Pikes Peak Region*  
Educational Session  
*As volunteer management professionals, we know the value that volunteers bring to our organizations. We are immersed in recruiting, training, and supporting volunteers on a daily basis, but what about the other staff in your organization? How can we train others not to just see the value of volunteers, but to also understand the unique requirements and rewards of working effectively with volunteers?*

**TUESDAY  
APR 11**

● **Volunteer Background Checks and Screenings**

TIME  
LOCATION  
SESSION TYPE  
FACILITATOR  
DESCRIPTION

11:30AM - 1:00PM  
Respite Care, 6203 S Lemay Ave, Fort Collins, CO 80525  
Educational Session  
Verified Volunteers  
*Join representatives from Verified Volunteers as they share their latest findings about volunteer screenings. Learn more about this local company's vision and how they've become a key player in educating volunteer coordinators.*

**TUESDAY  
APR 11**

■ **Positioning Yourself for Success**

TIME  
LOCATION  
SESSION TYPE  
DESCRIPTION

12:00 - 2:00PM  
Mile High United Way, 711 Park Ave W, Denver, CO 80205  
Educational Session  
*Volunteer management professionals contribute many thousands of dollars to their organizations' bottom lines through service hours. We create invested volunteer community members who advocate for their organization, donate, and help the organization reach its objective. So, why are Volunteer Managers often excluded from positions of influence in the organization? Join DOVIA and learn how to position yourself for success!*

**TUESDAY  
MAY 2**

▲ **Staff Buy-In, Support, Participation**

TIME  
LOCATION  
SESSION TYPE  
DESCRIPTION

10:00AM - 12:00PM  
VIA Mobility Services, Boulder, CO - 2855 63rd St, Boulder, CO 80301  
Educational Session  
*Ever find yourself feeling overwhelmed in all that it takes to support and grow a successful and thriving volunteer program? Join us for a discussion about creating staff buy-in and support to make the dream come true!*

**THURSDAY  
MAY 11**

■ **Employment Law – Let’s Figure This Out!**

TIME 9:30 - 11:00AM  
 LOCATION History Colorado Center, 1200 Broadway, Denver, CO 80203  
 SESSION TYPE Educational Session  
 DESCRIPTION *We all want to ensure that our organizations are complying with labor laws when working with volunteers, but with the ever-changing landscape of employment law, we need help from the experts. Come learn about recent developments in employment law and get your questions answered!*

**WEDNESDAY  
MAY 17**

● **Social**

TIME 4:30 - 6:00PM  
 LOCATION Otto Pint, 1100 Oakridge Dr, Fort Collins, CO 80525  
 SESSION TYPE Social  
 DESCRIPTION *Come network with your peers and colleagues at Otto Pint.*

**WEDNESDAY  
JUN 7**

■ **Retaining High Skilled Volunteers**

TIME 12:00 - 2:00PM  
 LOCATION TBD, Denver Region  
 SESSION TYPE Idea Exchange  
 DESCRIPTION *Skilled individuals are eager to volunteer! They aren’t content with “cookie cutter” volunteer assignments, especially after years of earning a living from a skill set they know to be valuable. How can we retain these highly skilled volunteers and put their skill set to use? Let’s share our successes, challenges, and questions!*

**THURSDAY  
JUN 15**

● **Volunteer Software Selections**

TIME 4:30 - 6:00PM  
 LOCATION Community Room, 215 N Mason St, Fort Collins, CO 80521  
 SESSION TYPE Educational Session  
 DESCRIPTION *A panel of Volunteer Managers on different software and app-based solutions.*

**TUESDAY  
JUN 20/27**

▲ **Fun, Informal Networking**

TIME 5:00 - 7:00PM  
 LOCATION Broomfield Farmer’s Market at Holy Comforter Episcopal Church, Broomfield  
 SESSION TYPE Social  
 DESCRIPTION *Come meet your neighbors and peers in the world of Volunteer Management, while enjoying a lovely setting and a wide array of tasty treats and homemade items for sale at this great local farmer’s market!*

**MONDAY  
JUL 17**

■ **Unconscious Bias**

TIME 4:30 - 6:00PM  
 LOCATION Grant-Humphreys Mansion, 770 Pennsylvania St, Denver, CO 80203  
 SESSION TYPE Educational Session  
 FACILITATOR Marion McPherson, North Highland  
 DESCRIPTION *How does unconscious bias affect the way we recruit, train, and retain volunteers? This session will allow us to examine our unconscious bias and how it affects our role as volunteer managers as well as global citizens. Join DOVIA and North Highland for this thought provoking education session.*

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All sessions are FREE for DOVIA members!

**TUESDAY  
JUL 18**

● **Recruiting and Engaging Hard to Reach Populations**

TIME | 11:30AM - 1:00PM  
 LOCATION | Community Room, 215 N Mason St, Fort Collins, CO 80521  
 SESSION TYPE | Educational Session  
 FACILITATOR | Annie Bierbower, *Civic Engagement Liaison, City of Fort Collins*  
 DESCRIPTION | *Learn from the field of civic engagement and how to target diverse and hard to reach populations.*

**THURSDAY  
AUG 3**

▲ **Betty Stallings Series\* – TRAINING AND COMPREHENSIVE ACCESS TO MATERIALS**

TIME | 1:00 - 5:00PM  
 LOCATION | Sister Carmen Community Center, 655 Aspen Ridge Dr, Lafayette, CO 80026  
 SESSION TYPE | Educational Session  
 DESCRIPTION | *Betty Stallings, MSW, is an international trainer, consultant, author and keynote speaker, specializing in volunteerism, nonprofit fundraising, board development and leadership. Join your fellow DOVIA members and leadership from the Boulder/Broomfield chapter in discovering Stallings' many indispensable, skill-building sessions on the ins and outs of Volunteer Management.*  
 \* *This session is fee-based.*

**THURSDAY  
AUG 17**

● **Social**

TIME | 3:30 - 5:00PM  
 LOCATION | Horsetooth Information Center, Horsetooth Reservoir, 4314 Shoreline Dr, Fort Collins, CO 80526  
 SESSION TYPE | Idea Exchange  
 DESCRIPTION | *Network and cross-pollinate with your fellow volunteer managers. We might even be able to paddle board!*

**WEDNESDAY  
AUG 23**

■ **Keeping Volunteer Engagement FRESH**

TIME | 10:00 - 11:30AM  
 LOCATION | Project Angel Heart  
 SESSION TYPE | Idea Exchange  
 DESCRIPTION | *Keep your volunteers engaged by shaking up your volunteer appreciation efforts. Many of us get stuck in a rut of the same appreciation lunch, the same end of year gift, the same ho-hum "thanks." Show your volunteers you really care by joining us for an idea exchange that will leave you with FRESH new ideas.*

**TUESDAY  
SEP 12**

■ **How to Get the New Workforce Volunteering With You**

TIME | 2:30 - 4:00PM  
 LOCATION | TBD, Denver Region  
 SESSION TYPE | Idea Exchange  
 DESCRIPTION | *Fewer and fewer people are working a 9-5 job with freelance and contract work making up a larger portion of the economy. How do we engage the new workforce with our organizations? What are the challenges and opportunities?*

**WEDNESDAY  
SEP 13**

● **The Most Valuable Recruitment Tool**

TIME | 8:30 - 11:30AM  
 LOCATION | Respite Care, 6203 S Lemay Ave, Fort Collins, CO 80525  
 SESSION TYPE | Idea Exchange  
 DESCRIPTION | *Your most valuable recruitment tool is right under your nose: your existing networks! Learn about how to strategically recruit for volunteers with the right ambassadors.*

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**WEDNESDAY  
NOV 1**

■ Using Social Media in Volunteer Programs

TIME 3:00 - 5:00PM  
 LOCATION Butterfly Pavilion, 6252 W 104th Ave, Westminster, CO 80020  
 SESSION TYPE Idea Exchange  
 DESCRIPTION *IDEA AND FOOD EXCHANGE - Bring one snack and one idea about successes or lessons learned while using social media to communicate, recruit or otherwise support a volunteer program!*

**THURSDAY  
NOV 9**

■ Self-care & Networking

TIME 2:30 - 4:30PM  
 LOCATION TBD, Denver Region  
 SESSION TYPE Social  
 DESCRIPTION *The holidays are an incredibly busy time for many nonprofits and volunteer managers. Take some time for self care during this oh-so-joyful season and join DOVIA for an afternoon of pampering and fun.*

**TUESDAY  
NOV 14**

● Retaining and Recognizing Volunteers

TIME 11:30AM - 1:00PM  
 LOCATION Crossroads Safehouse, 421 Parker St, Fort Collins, CO 80524  
 SESSION TYPE Idea Exchange  
 DESCRIPTION *Volunteer retention and recognition are closely related. Are you sure you are hitting both areas? Learn new ideas for both recruiting and retaining volunteers that is meaningful to diverse groups.*