

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION DESIGNATING APRIL 19th
THROUGH 25th, 2026 AS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

- WHEREAS, April 19th through 25th is designated as National Volunteer Week to celebrate ordinary people doing extraordinary things to improve communities across the nation; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs benefits from thousands of citizen volunteers who support a wide variety of programs including the Colorado Springs Airport Ambassadors Program; the Community Advancing Public Safety Program (CAPS); the many programs offered through the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department; and the Adopt-A-Waterway Program including Creek Week; and
- WHEREAS, in 2025 the Colorado Springs Airport had 50 volunteers contribute 2,770 hours of service to the community; and
- WHEREAS, in Public Safety's Community Advancing Public Safety Program (CAPS), volunteers provided over 40,000 hours of civic engagement to advance public safety; and
- WHEREAS, in the Stormwater Enterprise waterways program, 455 volunteers removed over 7.5 tons of litter from our community's waterways to improve water quality and beautify our neighborhoods; and
- WHEREAS, in the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department, over 3,229 volunteers contributed more than 135,936 hours of service to the community; and
- WHEREAS, City Council has appointed over 100 volunteers that serve on City Council Appointed Boards, Commissions, and Committees. These Board Members dedicate thousands of hours annually advising City Council on matters of importance such as land use, public safety, sales tax allocation, and parks; and
- WHEREAS, this level of effort, calculated at the latest state volunteerism rate of \$38.74 per hour, equaled over \$6.9 million dollars in service to the community in 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

The City Council designates April 19th through 25th as National Volunteer Week and urges our citizens to volunteer. In addition, City Council asks everyone to recognize, support and commend those who already volunteer and help make our community an amazing place to live, work and play.

DATED at Colorado Springs, Colorado, this 14th day of April, 2026.

Council President

ATTEST:

City Clerk