

PARTNERSHIPS

- Hosted **Green Box Arts** information & orientation hikes on **Historic Green Mountain Falls Foundation** land
- Contributed 70 hours to GMF **Trail Ambassador** program; welcomed and educated nearly 1,500 hikers
- Hosted breakfast for GMF **Bronc Day** celebration; over 300 diners served in 3 hours, including large family in need
- Supported **Manitou Springs High School** connector trail project with 3 crew leaders on 3 trail construction days
- Advised **Mile High Youth Corps** during spur trail construction to multi-million dollar James Turrell art site
- Executed trail maintenance agreement with the **Town of GMF**
- Received generous grant sponsorship from **Kirkpatrick Family Fund, Bratton Trails Fund, and D.A. Davidson**



WHAT WE DO

- Trail Inspections
- Trail Maintenance
- Trail Design & Construction
- Hiker & Trail Education
- Volunteer Coordination & Management
- Trails Advocacy

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Red Butte Recreation Area grand opening, July



FRIENDS OF UTE PASS TRAILS

Building Trails, Building Community



WHO WE ARE

A volunteer-centered non-profit advocating for and supporting a system of safe and sustainable hiking trails for public use in the Ute Pass area, promoting stewardship for trails and education for responsible trails use.

Our 17-member Board boasts **over 160 years** of trail building and maintenance experience, with 10 certified crew leaders and 4 trail designers.

Our volunteers dedicate their time and effort to improving our area's hiking trail network, making our community a better place to live and recreate.

Our Friends are committed to leaving things better than they find them, inspiring others to preserve and protect our natural resources, so vital to our well being.

2022 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Coordinated over 2,000 trail volunteer hours, **over \$62,000 community impact!**
- Conducted 6 large-scale work days: developed and implemented safety standards, zero mishaps
- Preserved iconic Garden of Eden meadow: filled and removed 3 trash bags (50 pounds!) of invasive Salsify seeds and Canada Thistle, a noxious weed
- Cleared new trailhead/created new trail entrance for Red Butte Recreation Area
- Reclaimed creek area at Catamount Falls
- Built multiple rock walls and emplaced stone steps to ease transition for hikers
- Blocked social trails with log barriers and emplaced multiple split rail fence sections to guide hikers
- Cleared vegetation and 2+ years overgrowth on most popular GMF trails
- Removed downed trees blocking access and 'widow maker' trees close to trail
- 2 Directors achieved Crew Leader certification. 10 Directors attained CPR/First Aid certification; AED and first aid kit available for each work day

FOCUS: MOUNT DEWEY TRAILHEAD



Eroded trailhead, March



New trailhead steps and retaining wall, June



Celebrating with foreman Don Walker while leading a Green Box Arts solstice hike