



Arborist Apprenticeship Program Workforce Partnership Referral

Employer/sponsor is working in partnership with the Colorado Workforce System to ensure that eligible apprentices have access to resources and support they need successfully complete their apprenticeship.

Your local Workforce Center may be able to provide financial support while you are in the registered apprenticeship. Funding and services are available to eligible apprentices and may include assistance with tuition, books and fees and/or supportive services such help purchasing kits, uniforms, transportation assistance, childcare assistance, etc.

How to Access Support:

1. All eligible apprentices must **register in Connecting Colorado**: <https://www.connectingcolorado.com/>
2. Next, **contact the workforce staff member listed below** who is supporting the county you live in to begin eligibility determination.

Local Workforce Office	Contact Name	Contact Information
Adams County Workforce and Business Center	Brett Schager	303-204-6801 bschager@adcogov.org
Arapahoe/Douglas Works!	Aracely Escalante	303-636-1234 aescalante@arapahoegov.org
Denver Workforce Services	James Roina	720-913-1609 james.roina@denvergov.org
Employment Service of Weld County		wbl@weldgov.com
Jefferson County Business and Workforce Center	Angelina Villarreal	720-705-6805 avillarr@co.jefferson.co.us
Larimer County Economic and Workforce Development	Andrew Minor	970-498-6083 aminor@larimer.org
Mesa County Workforce Center	Karen Sightler	970-257-2209 karen.sightler@mesacounty.us
Pikes Peak Workforce Center	Orathai Corey	719-500-9884 orathaicorey@elpaso.com
Workforce Boulder County	Sophia Stephens	303-441-1263 sstephens@bouldercounty.org

What to Expect:

All apprentices will be asked to complete an application and provide verification of eligibility for the grant funding. Apprentices can also expect to meet with a Workforce case worker to review applications, collect needed documents and identify their specific needs. Depending on the workforce center, this meeting may be in person or completed virtually. Funding support is generally paid directly to the school or vendor on your behalf. No funding can be paid, nor reimbursements made, for any costs expended prior to enrollment. Retention and follow-up services may exist to help ensure success in the completion of your apprenticeship.

Eligibility for workforce funding and/or services is not a requirement of employment or entry into the Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP) nor does a referral or eligibility for services constitute an offer of employment or final acceptance into the Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP).