

**Help Grow Colorado's Forests. Delivering urban and community forestry programs.**

The Colorado State Forest Service is seeking an [Urban and Community Forestry Specialist](#) to deliver urban and community forestry programs and provide technical expertise and support to CSFS field offices and partners throughout Colorado's Front Range communities. This geography includes the most populated urban centers in Colorado, from the Colorado-Wyoming border in the north through the Denver area to Pueblo, Colorado, in the south.

This position assists with community forestry projects (tree planting, inventory, canopy assessment, risk assessment, etc.), conducts trainings and workshops, maintains relationships with key partners, provides direction to arboriculture and urban forestry professionals, administers grants and contracts, and supports Arbor Day Foundation recognition programs such as Tree City USA, among other tasks.

The Front Range UCF Program Specialist operates out of Community Forestry Hub on the CSU Spur campus in Denver. This position is a staff member of the Communications and Communities Division of the Colorado State Forest Service. The division splits the state into thirds to provide services: this position covers the Front Range, while the other two UCF Specialists cover the eastern plains and western Colorado respectively [apply now!](#)

Location: SPUR Campus, Denver, CO

Salary Range: \$65,000 – \$70,000 (based on experience)

What You'll Do:

- Facilitate the development and implementation of long-range plans and an annual work plan for UCF programs on the Front Range, in the Denver area and in the immediate area surrounding the CSU Spur campus.
- Support CSFS field staff working on UCF activities in the Front Range.
- Serve as the lead subject matter expert for CSFS field staff and partners in planning and implementing UCF program activities (tree planting, inventory, canopy assessment, risk assessment, community meetings, outreach activities, etc.) on university, municipal and private lands throughout the Front Range.
- Collaborate on budget development for the UCF program, including new grant proposals and ongoing grants.
- Organize and deliver workshops with professionals and community members.

Minimum Qualifications:

- A bachelor's degree or higher in forestry, natural resources, environmental sciences, landscape architecture or a related program of study
- Four years of professional forestry experience, with specific experience in urban and community forestry.

Working Conditions:

- Pre-employment Criminal Background Check (required for new hires).
- May require travel (may be overnight) and occasional irregular work hours and evening and weekend service.
- May require field and office work, both independently and as part of a larger multi-functional division.

Why Choose Colorado State Forest Service?

We not only value our forests; we also value our employees. Joining our team comes with incredible benefits:

- **Identity Wear Stipend:** Elevate your professional image with a stipend for personalized executive wear.
- **Work-Life Harmony:** Achieve optimal work-life integration through tailored and flexible scheduling options.
- **Connectivity Privilege:** Stay seamlessly connected with either a cell phone allowance or a provided work cell.
- **Premium Healthcare Benefits:** Prioritize your well-being with access to exclusive and comprehensive healthcare benefits.
- **Time-Off:** Recharge with 15 days of sick leave and 24 days of annual leave.
- **Retirement Plan:** Secure your financial future with a remarkable 12% employer contribution to your retirement plan.
- **Assistance Program:** Access premium well-being resources through our Employee Assistance Program.
- **Professional Development:** Enhance your skills through personalized professional training opportunities facilitated by CSU.
- **Educational Empowerment:** Receive 9 hours of education credits annually through CSU.
- **Tuition Privileges for Family:** Secure your family's future with 50% off tuition for children, partner, and spouse.
- **Community Leadership Initiative:** Give back to your community with paid administrative leave dedicated to volunteering.

How to Apply:

Submit your resume and cover letter today by visiting our website: <https://csfs.colostate.edu/employment/>.

Application Deadline: Full consideration will be given to applications received by **12:00 a.m. MT on August 25, 2026.**