

2012 CMG/CGC Training Schedule Front Range Counties

Front Range Base Classes Attended by all new CMG volunteers and CGC Students			
<u>Tuesdays</u> Arapahoe, Douglas and Elbert	<u>Wednesdays</u> El Paso At the El Paso County Public Service Building 3275 Akers Drive Colorado Springs	<u>Thursdays</u> Broomfield, Denver, Jefferson and Gilpin	<u>Fridays</u> Adams, Boulder, Larimer and Weld At the Larimer County Fairgrounds in Loveland
<u>January 10</u> CMG and Diagnostics David Whiting Douglas County Fairground	<u>January 11</u> CMG and Diagnostics David Whiting	<u>January 12</u> CMG and Diagnostics David Whiting Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>January 13</u> CMG and Diagnostics David Whiting
<u>January 17</u> How Plants Grow Barbara Bates Douglas County Fairground	<u>January 18</u> How Plants Grow Barbara Bates	<u>January 19</u> How Plants Grow Carrie Shimada Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>January 20</u> How Plants Grow Carrie Shimada
<u>January 24</u> Soils, Fertilizers and Soil Amendments Andrea Cummins Douglas County Fairground	<u>January 25</u> Soil, Fertilizers and Soil Amendments Andrea Cummins	<u>January 26</u> Soils, Fertilizers and Soil Amendments Andrea Cummins Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>January 27</u> Soils, Fertilizers and Soil Amendments Jean Reeder
<u>January 31</u> Entomology Carol O'Meara Douglas County Fairground	<u>February 1</u> Entomology Carol O'Meara	<u>February 2</u> Entomology Carol O'Meara Jefferson County Fairgrounds	<u>February 3</u> Entomology Carol O'Meara
<u>February 7</u> No class - ProGreen	<u>February 8</u> No class - ProGreen	<u>February 9</u> No class - ProGreen	<u>February 10</u> No class – ProGreen

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<u>February 14</u> Plant Pathology Curtis Utley Arapahoe County Extension Office	<u>February 15</u> Plant Pathology Curtis Utley	<u>February 16</u> Plant Pathology Curtis Utley Jefferson County Fairgrounds	<u>February 17</u> Plant Pathology Curtis Utley
<u>February 21</u> Lawn Care Tony Koski Arapahoe County Extension Office	<u>February 22</u> Lawn Care Tony Koski	<u>February 23</u> Lawn Care Tony Koski Broomfield Baptist Church	<u>February 24</u> Lawn Care Tony Koski
<u>February 28</u> The Science of Planting Trees and Identifying Trees and Shrubs Alison O'Connor Arapahoe County Extension Office	<u>February 29</u> The Science of Planting Trees and Identifying Trees and Shrubs Alison O'Connor	<u>March 1</u> The Science of Planting Trees and Identifying Trees and Shrubs Alison O'Connor Jefferson County Fairgrounds	<u>March 2</u> The Science of Planting Trees and Identifying Trees and Shrubs Alison O'Connor
<u>March 6</u> Weed Management Tony Koski Arapahoe County Extension Office	<u>March 7</u> Weed Management Tony Koski	<u>March 8</u> Weed Management Tony Koski Broomfield Baptist Church	<u>March 9</u> Weed Management Tony Koski
<u>March 13 to 30</u> CMG Plus Classes – attend at any location			
<u>April 3</u> CMG Orientation*	<u>April 4</u> CMG Orientation*	<u>April 5</u> CMG Orientation*	<u>April 6</u> CMG Orientation*

*Dates for county orientation may change.

Front Range Base Classes: Lecture Notes and Worksheet

Week Of	Topic	Lecture Notes		<u>Worksheets</u> <i>CMG GardenNotes</i>
		<u>CMG Textbook</u> <i>The Science of Garden</i>	Also available online as <i>CMG GardenNotes</i> www.cmg.colostate.edu	
January 9 to 13	The Colorado Master Gardener Program: Planting Gardens, Growing People	<i>The Science of Gardening: Chapter 1 and CMG GardenNotes #010 to #018</i> (revised for 2012)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework: #019
	PHC and The Diagnostic Process	Chapters 19 and 20	#100 to 102 (revised for 2012)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Worksheet: #104 • Homework: 105
January 16 to 20	How Plants Grow	Chapters 2 to 4	#120 to 145	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Worksheet: #146 • Homework: #147
January 23 to 27	Soils, Fertilizers, and Soil Amendments	Chapters 5 to 18	#210 to 251	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Worksheet: #252 • Homework: #253
January 30 to February 3	Entomology	Chapters 22 and 23	#310 to 315 (revised for 2012)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Worksheet: #316 • Homework: #317
February 13-17	Plant Pathology	Chapter 24	#330 and 331 (revised for 2012)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework: #332
February 20-24	Lawn Care	Chapters 43 and 44	#550 to 566 (revised for 2012)	
February 28 to March 2	The Science of Planting Trees	Chapters 27 and 28	#630 to 636 (revised for 2012)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework: #637
	Identifying Trees and Shrubs	Chapters 2 and 26	#122 and 150 to 153	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Worksheet: #154 and 155
March 5 to 9	Weed Management	Chapter 25	#350 to 353 (revised for 2012)	

2012 “Plus Classes”

Front Range “Plus Classes” give students options to select topics of personal interest. Students may attend classes at any location. Advance registration is required and processes on VMS (the CMG On-Line Volunteer Management System). Refer to CMG GardenNotes #013, *Volunteer Management System*, for details on how to use VMS or contact your County Extension Office. Class size is limited on a first come basis. If you find that you become unavailable for a class that you are registered for (or registered for the wrong class), please go onto VMS and unregister for the class (opening the space to others). **Due to limited space, guests are not invited to Plus Class offerings.**

Apprentice Master Gardener Volunteers

Apprentice Master Gardener (new) Volunteers attend **12 hours of Plus Classes (that is 4 half-day classes, 2 half-day classes plus 1 full day class, OR 2 full day classes)** at any location. To allow for broad participation of volunteers, Apprentice CMG volunteers may not take additional classes. Registration on all classes may be cancelled for students who sign-up for extra classes. **Registration opens for new Apprentice MG Volunteers at their first class.**

CMG Volunteers for Continuing Education

Continuing CMG Volunteers may attend 12 hours of Plus Classes (that is 4 half-day classes, 2 half-day classes plus 1 full day class, OR 2 full day classes) at any location, as space allows. To allow for broad participation of volunteers, CMGs may not take additional classes. Registration on all classes may be cancelled for students who sign-up for extra classes.

Registration opens for continuing CMG Volunteers on Wednesday, February 1st after 8:00 a.m. Classes have limited seating capacity and we cannot guarantee enrollment in any class. Some classes fill quickly, making the sign-up somewhat like a lottery. We expect civil behavior of CMG volunteers when they find that a desired class is full. Please do not call asking to be put into full classes.

The CMG Manual has been revised as a national textbook, *The Science of Gardening*, from Kendall Hunt Publishing. Content is the same as CMG GardenNotes, however, it has been reformatted into chapters. The book is in full color. CMGs desiring the book may place orders with the county Extension Office. Cost is \$95 plus \$5 shipping, (\$95 with no shipping if preordered with the county book order).

If you are using the *CMG GardenNotes*, many have been revised for 2013. To download and print updated copies, go to www.cmg.colostate.edu/gardennotes/GNUpdate.shtml. This link has the CMG GardenNotes listed by class, showing revision date. Revision dates are at the bottom of the last page on CMG GardenNotes. Handouts will not be available at the classes except where noted.

Colorado Gardener Certificate Students

Colorado Gardener Certificate Students may attend up to **24 hours of Plus Classes (that is 8 half-day classes, OR 6 half days and 1 full day class, OR 4 half-day classes and 2 full day class, OR 2 half-day classes plus 3 full day class, OR 4 full day classes)** at any location. To allow for broad participation of volunteers, CGC Students may not take additional classes. Registration on all classes may be cancelled for students who sign-up for extra classes. **Registration opens for CGC Students at their first class.**

Front Range Plus Classes			
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<p><u>March 13</u></p> <p><u>Arapahoe Extension Office</u> Morning: Small Fruits <i>Joel Reich</i></p> <p>Afternoon: Tree Fruits <i>Joel Reich</i></p> <p><u>Douglas County Fairgrounds</u> Pruning (full day) <i>David Whiting</i></p> <p><u>Gilpin County Community Center Multipurpose Room</u> Mountain Gardening (full day) <i>Irene Shonle, PhD</i></p>	<p><u>March 14</u></p> <p><u>El Paso County Public Service Building</u> <u>3275 Akers Drive,</u> <u>Colorado Springs</u></p> <p>Water Wise Landscape Design (full day) <i>David Whiting</i></p>	<p><u>March 15</u></p> <p><u>Jefferson County Fairgrounds</u></p> <p>Pruning (full day) <i>David Whiting</i></p>	<p><u>March 16</u></p> <p><u>Adams County Extension Office</u> Pruning (full day) <i>David Whiting</i></p> <p><u>Larimer County Fairgrounds</u> Morning: Small Fruits <i>Joel Reich</i></p> <p>Afternoon: Tree Fruits <i>Joel Reich</i></p>
<p><u>March 20</u></p> <p><u>Arapahoe County Extension Office</u> Morning: Deciduous Trees and Shrubs for Front Range Landscapes <i>Robert Cox</i></p> <p>Afternoon: Evergreen Trees and Shrubs for Front Range Landscapes <i>Robert Cox</i></p> <p><u>Douglas County Fairgrounds</u> Diagnosing Tree Disorders (full day) <i>David Whiting</i></p>	<p><u>March 21</u></p> <p><u>El Paso County Public Service Building</u> <u>3275 Akers Drive</u> <u>Colorado Springs</u></p> <p>Morning: Herbaceous Plants: Right Plant, Right Place</p> <p>Afternoon: Vegetables <i>Carl Wilson</i></p>	<p><u>March 22</u></p> <p><u>Jefferson County Fairgrounds: Green Mountain Conference Room</u></p> <p>Diagnosing Tree Disorders (full day) <i>David Whiting</i></p>	<p><u>March 23</u></p> <p><u>Adams County Extension Office</u> Morning: Deciduous Trees and Shrubs for Front Range Landscapes <i>Robert Cox</i></p> <p>Afternoon: Evergreen Trees and Shrubs for Front Range Landscapes <i>Robert Cox</i></p>

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Class Descriptions

Advanced Soils: Soil Testing and Organic Soil Amendments – Jean Reeder, PhD – Full day, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. class, counts as two 3-hour blocks

- Douglas County Fairgrounds, Castle Rock – Tuesday, March 27th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Adams County Extension Office, Brighton – Friday, March 30th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

While gardeners often focus their attention on insect and disease problems, over 80% of all plant problems begin with soil conditions that are reducing plant vigor. Soil is the most fundamental component of a healthy landscape, yet soil is the resource we usually know the least about. This class discusses the value of soil testing: obtaining base line soil properties with a soil test, learning how to interpret soil test values (pH, salinity, lime organic matter, and nutrient contents), and using knowledge of soil properties as an important landscape management tool. The class also covers the practicalities of soil testing: how to choose a testing lab, how to correctly collect a soil sample, when and how often to sample, how many samples to collect, and the usefulness of home testing kits.

Routine applications of organic matter should be considered an essential component of gardening and soil management. Organic matter improves the

water and nutrient holding capacities of coarse-textured sandy soil, and improves water and air infiltration in fine-textured clayey soils. However, over-amending is a common problem, as many gardeners do not appreciate the potential problems of adding too much organic matter (e.g. high salinity; excessive N, P, or K; micronutrient imbalance; and ground water contamination). Since soil amendments are not regulated by law, the nutrient content and other helpful/harmful properties of an amendment do not have to be stated, and the quality of commercially available products ranges from excellent to toxic. This class covers the different types of organic amendments commercially available and the criteria for evaluating the quality of an organic amendment. Quality data for different types of organic amendments are presented.

A soil test is the best method to determine the need for the addition of fertilizer nutrients. However, many gardeners have difficulty converting a soil test recommendation (e.g. to add 1 lb N per 1000 sq. ft.) into an actual amount of fertilizer to apply. This class covers several fertilizer topics:

- The definitions of a fertilizer, fertilizer ratios, and fertilizer formulations
- Types of commercial organic and inorganic fertilizers available
- How to calculate fertilizer application rates

Lecture Notes:

- New CMG Manual: ***The Science of Gardening, chapters 9 and 18***

- Online version: *CMG GardenNotes* #241 and 221.
- Additional handouts will be given out in class by Dr. Reeder.

Deciduous Trees and Shrubs for Front Range Landscapes – Robert Cox – 3-hour block

- Adams County Extension Office, Brighton – Friday morning, March 23rd, 9 to 12 noon
- Arapahoe County Extension Office, Littleton – Tuesday morning, March 20th, 9 to 12 noon

This class looks at identification, use, and limitations of common deciduous trees and shrubs for Colorado Front Range landscapes.

Lecture Notes:

- Passed out in class.

Diagnosing Tree Disorders – David Whiting – Full day, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. class, counts as two 3-hour blocks

- Douglas County Fairground, Castle Rock – Tuesday, March 20th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Jefferson County Fairgrounds, Golden – Thursday, March 22nd, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This class expands on the content of the *Diagnostic* class (first week) by focusing on the systematic evaluation of trees.

Due to rather generic symptoms, abiotic disorders are generally difficult to diagnose and are best diagnostic by working through a systematic evaluation of the tree. Through lecture segments, small group discussions of real-life situations, and out-door activities, student work through the process of systematic evaluation. Emphasis is placed on evaluating root/soil problems. Be dressed to be outside for part of the class period.

In lab activities, students practice Step 2 (Identify the Problem) in the diagnostic process. In small group activities, students practice Step 4 in the diagnostic process by evaluating management options for common insect problems in real-life situations.

Lecture Notes:

- New CMG Manual: ***The Science of Gardening, chapters 20 and 21***
- Online version: *CMG GardenNotes* #100 to 110. Some of the *CMG GardenNotes* on diagnostics have been revised for 2012. Please download and print updated versions at <http://www.cmg.colostate.edu/gardennotes/GNUdate.shtml>.
- Lecture notes will NOT be available in class.

Evergreen Trees and Shrubs for Front Range Landscapes – Robert Cox – 3-hour block

- Adams County Extension Office, Brighton – Friday afternoon, March 23rd, 1 to 4 p.m.
- Arapahoe County Extension Office, Littleton – Tuesday afternoon, March 20th, 1 to 4 p.m.

This class looks at identification, use, and limitations of common evergreen trees and shrubs for Colorado Front Range landscapes.

Lecture Notes:

- Passed out in class.

Herbaceous Plants: Right Plant, Right Place – Carl Wilson – 3-hour block

- Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver – Wednesday morning, March 28th, 9 to 12 noon
- El Paso County Public Service Building 3275 Akers Drive Colorado Springs – Wednesday morning, March 21st, 9 to 12 noon

Hot, dry and windy, clayey or rocky soils, and short growing seasons are just some of the challenges faced by the Colorado gardener. Few catalog or plant descriptions directly apply to the unique growing conditions found in Colorado's high plains or mountain communities. So what should the gardener interpret when the catalog describes the flower as "...requires little irrigation..." , "...needs a normal soil..." or "...spread readily..."? This class looks at interpreting catalog and plant description for Colorado growing condition, putting the right flower in the right place.

Lecture Notes:

- New CMG Manual: ***The Science of Gardening, chapter 35***
- Online version: *CMG GardenNotes* #510 to 514. CMG GardenNotes can be printed at <http://www.cmg.colostate.edu/gardennotes/GNUupdate.shtml>.
- Lecture notes will NOT be available in class.

Mountain Gardening – Irene Shonle, PhD

- Full day, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. class, counts as two 3-hour blocks

- Gilpin County Community Center Multipurpose Room, Black Hawk – Tuesday, March 13th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This six-hour class will cover mountain gardening basics, including wildlife in the garden, water rights, weeds, and plants for high elevations.

Lecture Notes:

- Passed out in class.

Pruning – David Whiting – Full day, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. class, counts as two 3-hour blocks

- Adams County Extension Office, Henderson – Friday, March 16th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Douglas County Fairgrounds, Castle Rock – Tuesday, March 13th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Jefferson County Fairground, Golden – Thursday, March 15th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The research base on pruning has added a lot of clarity in how to prune. This class covers several sections on pruning basics:

- Tree decay: Evaluating and preventing decay with proper pruning
- Basic pruning cuts
- Structural pruning of young shades tree – Winter storm damage could be minimized with structural pruning while the trees are young. Structural pruning is easy for the home gardener to understand and do.
- Pruning of mature tree – Pruning of mature trees is the job for a certified and bonded arborist. This class looks at the concepts the professional uses in pruning mature tree so the gardener will understand options and work to be done.

- Pruning shrubs – Pruning options to keep shrubs natural looking

Come dressed to be outside for portions of the day.

Lecture Notes:

- New CMG Manual: ***The Science of Gardening, chapters 29 to 34***
- Online version: *CMG GardenNotes* #610 to 620. Some of the *CMG GardenNotes* on pruning have been revised for 2012. Please download and print updated versions at <http://www.cmg.colostate.edu/gardennotes/GNUupdate.shtml>.
- Lecture notes will NOT be available in class.

Small Fruit – Joel Reich – 3 hour block

- Arapahoe County Extension Office – Tuesday morning, March 13th, 9 to 12 noon
- Larimer County Fairground, Loveland – Friday morning, March 16th, 9 to 12 noon

This class will focus on the possibilities for small fruit production along the Front Range. You may be surprised to find that your options are not as limited as once thought. Fruits covered will include raspberries (red, gold, and black), blackberries, blueberries, grapes, and strawberries. Discussion will also touch on less common fruits such as currants, gooseberries, serviceberries, etc.

Lecture Notes:

- New CMG Manual: ***The Science of Gardening, chapters 36***
- Online version: *CMG GardenNotes* #760 to 764 (new). Download and print at <http://www.cmg.colostate.edu/gardennotes/GNUupdate.shtml>.
- Additional handouts will be passed out Joel in class.

Tree Fruit – Joel Reich – 3-hour block

- Arapahoe County Extension Office – Tuesday afternoon, March 13th, 1 to 4 p.m.
- Larimer County Fairground, Loveland – Friday afternoon, March 16th, 1 to 4 p.m.

Tree fruits are more challenging for the home gardener due to insect problems, spring frost, and annual pruning. Class reviews the techniques and common pitfalls with home tree fruit production.

Lecture Notes:

- New CMG Manual: ***The Science of Gardening, chapters 37***
- Online version: *CMG GardenNotes* #770 to 771 (new). Download and print at <http://www.cmg.colostate.edu/gardennotes/GNUdate.shtml>.
- Additional handouts will be passed out Joel in class.

Vegetables – Carl Wilson – 3 hour block

- Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver – Wednesday afternoon, March 28th, 1 to 4 p.m.
- El Paso County Public Service Building 3275 Akers Drive Colorado Springs – Wednesday afternoon, March 21st, 1 to 4 p.m.

For gardeners, there is nothing more fulfilling than a dinner from your own garden. This class focuses on techniques to maximize yields and quality from homegrown produce. Topics include soil preparation and fertilization, raised bed gardening, garden layout, irrigation, mulching, and frost protection.

Lecture Notes:

- New CMG Manual: ***The Science of Gardening, chapters 38 to 42.***
- Online version: *CMG GardenNotes* #710 to 724. Some of the *CMG GardenNotes* on vegetables have been revised for 2012. Download and print updated versions at <http://www.cmg.colostate.edu/gardennotes/GNUdate.shtml>.
- Lecture notes will NOT be available in class.

Water Wise Landscape Design – David Whiting – Full day, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. class, counts as two 3-hour blocks

- Arapahoe County Extension Office, Littleton – Tuesday, March 27th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Broomfield First Baptist Church, Broomfield – Thursday, March 29th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- El Paso County Public Service Building 3275 Akers Drive Colorado Springs – Wednesday, March 14th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For years, xeriscaping has had a lot of attention in Colorado's gardening circles. However, as a community we have not made significant reductions in our water use for landscape irrigation. This class takes a new approach to water wise gardening, as an introduction to **landscape design theory**. This class introduces landscape design as a process, including the following key points:

- Opportunities and challenges from site analysis
- Connecting the family to the landscape with a landscape storyline
- Use of *line* to define and connect outdoor rooms
- *Hydrozone* layouts, the foundation of water savings
- Basic layout with *rectilinear*, *curvilinear* and *angular* design style
- Adjusting primary *lines* for efficient irrigation
- Techniques to apply *balance*, *scale*, *sequence*, and *variety* to *color*, *texture*, and *form*, making the landscape sing.

This class has direct application for the new landscape and for the gardener wanting to update an existing landscape to be more water efficient.

Lecture Notes:

- New CMG Manual: ***The Science of Gardening, chapters 45 and 46.***
- Online version: *CMG GardenNotes* #410 to 415. Some of the *CMG GardenNotes* on water wise landscape design have been revised for 2012. Download and print updated versions at <http://www.cmg.colostate.edu/gardennotes/GNUdate.shtml>.
- Lecture notes will NOT be available in class.

Directions to Plus Class Locations

Adams County Extension Office

Adams County Regional Park
9755 Henderson Road
Henderson, CO

From E470 – Adams County Regional Park is just southwest of E470 at US-85

1. From I-25, take **E470 East** towards the Airport
2. Exit at **US-85**, traveling south towards Henderson
3. Turn right at **Henderson Road** (1st light)
4. Following signs, turn right into the **Adams County Fairground**
5. The Adams County Extension Office is the newer building on the left just, shortly after entering the park. Parking is on the north side of the building...

From Denver via US-85

1. Follow **US-85** traveling north from Denver
2. Following signs, turn left (west) at **Henderson Road** (red light)
3. Following signs, turn right into the **Adams County Fairground**
4. The Adams County Extension Office is the newer building on the left just, shortly after entering the park. Parking is on the north side of the building...

From the I-25 via 120th Ave

1. From I-25, travel east on **120th Ave.**
2. Turn left (north) at **Quebec St.**
3. Turn right (east) at **128th Ave.**
4. Turn right (south) at **Riverdale Road**
5. Turn left (east) at **Henderson Road**
6. Following signs, turn left into the **Adams County Fairground**
7. The Adams County Extension Office is the newer building on the left just, shortly after entering the park. Parking is on the north side of the building...

Arapahoe County Extension Office

5804 South Datura Street
Littleton, CO 80120

I-25 from the north

1. Take I-25 South past downtown Denver
2. Exit at **#207B, Santa Fe Drive/ US-85**, traveling south 6.9 miles
3. Turn left (east) on W Alamo (This intersection is marked W Alamo on the east and W Bowles/CO 75 on the west). Proceed 0.9 miles east; W Alamo becomes W Littleton Blvd after crossing over the railroad tracks.
4. Turn right on **Datura St**, go 0.1 miles
5. Extension Office on left (east) side of street
6. Class in building just south of main Extension Office

I-25 from the south

1. Take I-25 north
2. Merge on **CO-470 W at exit #194**, towards Grand Junction, go 9.2 miles
3. Merge onto **Santa Fe Dr/US-85 North**, go 3.8 miles
4. Turn right (east) on W Alamo (This intersection is marked W Alamo on the east and W Bowles/CO 75 on the west). Proceed 0.9 miles east; W Alamo becomes W Littleton Blvd after crossing over the railroad tracks.
5. Turn right (south) on **Datura St**, go 0.1 miles
6. Extension Office on left (east) side of street
Class in building just south of main Extension Office.

Broomfield County: First Baptist Church

90 Emerald Street
Broomfield, CO

From I-25 (from the north or south)

1. Exit I-25 at **120th Ave, Exit 223.**
2. Upon exiting, travel west on **120th Ave** going 4.6 miles.
3. Turn right on **Emerald Street.**
4. Church is at **90 Emerald Street.**

Denver Botanic Gardens

1005 York Street
Denver, CO 80206

From I-25 to Denver Botanic Gardens

1. Take the **6th Avenue East exit (Exit 209A)**, going 2.75 miles
2. Take a left (north) onto **Josephine Street**, go 3 1/2 blocks
3. The **Denver Botanic Gardens** parking lot is between 9th and 10th Streets.

Douglas County Fairgrounds

410 Fairgrounds Road
Castle Rock, CO

From I-25 (from the north or south)

1. Exit I-25 at **Plum Creek Parkway, Exit 181**
2. Upon exiting, travel east on **Plum Creek Parkway**, going 0.8 miles
3. Turn left at **Fairgrounds Roads**

El Paso County Public Service Building

3275 Akers Drive
Colorado Springs, CO

From I-25 (from the north)

1. **Exit I-25 at Exit 153, Interquest Pky.** Travel east on Interquest Pky for 2.2 miles. (Interquest Pky becomes CO-83 N.)
2. Turn **right** onto **CO-21 S/N Powers Blvd.** (If you reach CO-21 N, you have gone about

0.1 miles too far.) Travel south for 9.1 miles.

3. Turn **left** onto **Carefree Cir N.** (Carefree Cir N is the left turn after Barnes. If you reach Carefree Cir S, you've gone about 0.5 mile too far). Travel east for 1.7 miles.
4. Turn **right** onto **Akers Dr.** (Akers Dr is 0.1 miles past Range Dr. If you reach Antelope Ridge Dr., you have gone about 0.1 miles too far.)
5. **3275 Akers Dr** is the large gray building (county road shops) on the left at the top of the hill. Follow signs to visitors entrance and Master Gardener Training.

From I-25 (from the south)

5. **Exit I-25 at Exit 135, Academy Blvd** toward Airport. Travel north on S Academy Blvd/CO-83 N towards Airport for 4.4 miles.
7. Turn **right** onto **E Fountain Blvd/US-24 E.** Travel for 1.6 miles
8. Turn **left** onto **CO-21 N/S Powers Blvd/US-24 E.** Travel for 5.6 miles.
9. Turn **slight right** onto **Carefree Cir N.** Travel for 1.7 miles
4. Turn **right** onto **Akers Dr.** (Akers Dr is 0.1 miles past Range Dr. If you reach Antelope Ridge Dr., you have gone about 0.1 miles too far.)
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Gilpin County Community Center Multipurpose Room

250 Norton Dr
Black Hawk, CO

From I-70 in the Denver Metro

1. Take I-70 heading west out of the Denver metro
2. Merge onto CO-58, via Exit 265 towards Golden/Central City, travel 5.4 miles
3. Turn Right onto CO -93, travel 1.4 miles
4. Turn Left onto Golden Gate Canyon Road/CR-70, continue to follow Golden Gate Canyon Road for 17.1 miles
5. Turn left onto Norton Dr

6. Turn into the parking lot for the Community Center, ¼ mile up and on the left. The Community Center (230 Norton Dr) is the building with the flag.
7. A map and directions are on this website: <http://www.gilpinrecreation.com/apps/location>

Jefferson County Extension Office and Fairgrounds

15200 West 6th Ave
Golden, CO

I-25 from the north

1. Merge on **I-76 West at Exit 216B** towards Grand Junction
2. I-76 becomes I-70
3. Exit on **West Colfax Ave/US-40, Exit 262**
4. Upon exiting, turn left (east) on **West Colfax Ave**, go 0.2 miles
5. Turn right on **Denver West Co Mills Blvd/Indiana St**, go 0.6 miles
6. Turn right on **W 6th Ave** (road just south of US-6)
7. Turn left into fairgrounds

I-25 from the south

1. Merge onto **US-6/W 6th Ave at Exit 209B** towards Lakewood, travel 8.0 miles
2. Take the **Indiana Street/Denver West Colorado Mills Blvd exit**
3. Upon exiting, turn left (south) onto **Indiana Street/Denver West Colorado Mills Blvd**
4. Turn right onto **W 6th Ave** (road just south of US-6)
5. Turn left into the Jefferson County Fairgrounds

Larimer County Fairgrounds, 4-H Building

Loveland, CO

The **Larimer County Fairgrounds, *The Ranch***, is located on the northeast corner of I-25 and Crossroads Blvd, Exit 259.

1. From I-25 take **exit #259, Crossroads Blvd**, travel east.
2. Turn left on **Centerra/Fairground Blvd**, (2nd light).
3. Turn left **into the Fairgrounds** at the first (south) entrance.
4. The 4-H Building is the first building on the right. Parking is on the south side of the building.