



## News Release

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### **Arapahoe County seeks volunteers for Court Notification Calling Program**

**Littleton, Colo.** — Arapahoe County's Volunteer Connections Program is seeking volunteers for its Court Notification Calling Program, which involves making courtesy telephone calls to remind citizens of an upcoming date in court. Volunteers over age 18 are needed to commit to three to five hours per week, weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at Arapahoe County Altura Plaza, 15400 E. 14th Place, Aurora.

The Court Notification Calling Program has proven to be an innovative solution to conserve court, law enforcement and jail resources. By reminding citizens of an upcoming court date, volunteers help to reduce the number of arrest warrants issued for 'failure-to-appear.' In turn, County law enforcement may focus on other public safety issues. As a result of this program, the County detention center has seen a significant decrease in jail bed days, which typically cost \$68 per day, translating into hundreds of thousands of taxpayer dollars saved.

Last year, the Court Notification Calling Program won the award for "Most Innovative Volunteer Program" from the National Association of Volunteer Programs in Local Government.

Court notification volunteers must commit to at least three months of volunteering. Longer commitments are preferred. Training and a background check are required for each position.

To apply or to learn about other volunteer opportunities with the County, please call 303-738-7922 or visit [www.co.arapahoe.co.us](http://www.co.arapahoe.co.us) and click on "Services" and then "Volunteer Opportunities."

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