

## **Gardens on Spring Creek Facts at a Glance**

**Vision:** To be a world-class botanic garden that is community oriented, educational, experiential and sustainable.

**Mission:** Our mission is to improve the lives of people and foster environmental stewardship through horticulture.

**History:** With the formation of a public/private partnership between the City of Fort Collins and the non-profit Friends of the Gardens on Spring Creek, the Fort Collins voters enthusiastically supported the proposal for the creation of a community horticultural center through the ballot initiative, Building Community Choices. In 2004, The Gardens officially opened its doors. Now, with over 89,000 annual visitors, the Gardens on Spring Creek is one of the largest cultural venues in northern Colorado.

Address: 2145 Centre Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80526

Year founded: 2004

**Acres:** 18 (12 developed)

**Gardens:** Children's Garden, Sustainable Backyard, Garden of Eatin', Rock Garden, Great Lawn (NEW), Theme Gardens (Rose, Moon, Fragrance, Butterfly & Hummingbird, Plant Select) (NEW), Undaunted Garden (NEW), Prairie Garden (NEW), Foothills Garden (NEW), and Wetlands (NEW)

**Plant Collection:** over 1,700 varieties of plants displayed

**Signature Events:** High Plains Landscape Workshop, Spring Plant Sale, Summer Soiree, Summer Concerts, Halloween Enchanted Garden, Garden of Lights

**Programs:** Community gardens, outreach, education for adults and children, rentals & weddings

**2018 Visitation:** 89,000 (Estimated Visitation at completion of expansion: 125,000)

**2018 Active Volunteers:** 692 volunteers, 10,711 hours in 2018

**Staff members:** 15

