**Project Partner:** Jefferson County in Colorado

**Awards:** The Boettcher Mansion project was the recipient of an Historic Preservation Recognition Award, presented by the Mount Lookout Chapter (Golden, CO) of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The award was presented to HistoriCorps on May 8, 2017 and according to the Mount Lookout Chapter, “recognizes and honors an individual or group that has done recent remarkable volunteer work at the community level.”

**Scope of Work:**

Volunteers worked with HistoriCorps to rehabilitate the garden arbor. Work included:

- Disassembling the existing garden arbor, replacing deteriorated parts and reassembling the arbor using good condition pieces
- Repainting the garden arbor and reinstalling lanterns

Read the newspaper article that was written about the restoration project here: [http://goldentranscript.net/stories/HistoriCorps-volunteers-complete-a-project-at-Goldens-Boettcher-Mansion,212193](http://goldentranscript.net/stories/HistoriCorps-volunteers-complete-a-project-at-Goldens-Boettcher-Mansion,212193)

**History:**

Boettcher Mansion provides a rare combination of historic authenticity and modern amenities from its secluded setting inside the Lookout Mountain Nature Preserve in Golden, CO, only a half-hour drive west of Denver. Built in 1917 as a summer home and seasonal hunting lodge for Charles Boettcher, the former “Lorraine Lodge” was donated to Jefferson County in the 1970s for public use and enjoyment. In 1984, the Arts and Crafts estate was listed on the National Register of Historic Places External Link Icon and now serves as Jeffco’s premier historic events venue.

Charles Boettcher (1852-1948) was a successful businessman in Colorado in the hardware, mining, cement and sugar beet businesses. He was one of the founders of the Ideal Cement Company. He travelled to the U.S. from Germany at age 17 and worked with his brother Herman in Wyoming before moving to Colorado.

In 1917, Charles Boettcher commissioned Denver architects Fisher & Fisher to design and build a secluded retreat atop Lookout Mountain. Constructed of stone and timber taken from the site, “Lorraine Lodge” was oriented to look down on Denver and the plains beyond, with large plate...
glass windows installed in the front elevation to take advantage of the commanding views. The family quarters encompassed a cathedral-beamed living room flanked by a dining room and sitting porch, a downstairs master bedroom suite, plus two upstairs bedrooms with a shared bath and sleeping porch.

Project Location:
900 Colorow Rd, Golden, Colorado 80401

Nearest Town: Golden, Colorado

Project Supervisor: Bob Fulton

Crew Leader: Jeremy Spates

Volunteers that participated: 6