What is a Naturalist?

- An Audubon Society of Greater Denver (ASGD) naturalist is an expert in or student of natural history. They are continuous learners, studying the natural world and learning about the different interconnections between wildlife and their habitats. Naturalists care about the ASGD mission to "connect people with nature through education, conservation and research", as well as preserving the beauty of the Chatfield basin. They enthusiastically share their passion for nature with others in an engaging way.

What does a Naturalist do?

- Audubon Naturalists create & inspire citizen stewards through education and conservation of the natural resources found within the Chatfield Basin.

What is the cost of Audubon Naturalist Training?

- Audubon Naturalist training costs $525 for 18 sessions (totaling 100 hours) involving classroom based programs, onsite hikes, or offsite field trips which breaks down to $29 per session or $5.25 per hour. The average graduate level course can run upwards of over $1,000 so we at ASGD pride ourselves in keeping costs down for this amazing educational experience. To register visit www.denveraudubon.org today!

Why is the Audubon Naturalist Training important?

- This training will give naturalists practical skills to help them identify creatures, rocks, and ecological relationships present in the Chatfield Basin. The classes will teach the basics of ecology, geology, plants, insects, reptiles, fish, amphibians, birds, raptors, mammals, interpretive guide techniques, nature journaling, local conservation issues, and the history of the Chatfield Basin.

What do I do after I complete the Naturalist Training?

- Some choose to volunteer their time with ASGD, others choose to take the information back to their own organization or to enhance their professional resume. It's up to you! However, the most important job of an Audubon Naturalists is to create & inspire citizen stewards through education and conservation of the natural resources found within the Chatfield Basin.