



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Alliance Fellowship 2026

MOVING MOUNTAINS FELLOWS PROGRAM

Mountain Sentinels is assembling a worldwide group of students, postdocs, youth, practitioners, and local and Indigenous community members dedicated to mountain well-being and sustainability.

The Fellows Program is open to individuals living, working, or raised in a mountain community. Applicants are invited to submit a proposal for new or ongoing projects. Individuals who are under-served and/or under-represented in science are encouraged to apply.

YOU CAN MAKE AN IMPACT

Submit your application today! Each chosen Fellow will receive \$1,000 USD to support a project focused on elevating community voices and addressing sustainability needs. Fellows will also be invited to apply for additional opportunities.

Fellowship Benefits

- \$1000 USD toward your project.
- Possible mentorship opportunities with a member of Mountain Sentinels Alliance.
- Monthly virtual gatherings amongst the Fellows cohort.
- Potential for participation in the 2026 Moving Mountains Summit.
- Opportunity to apply for additional travel or educational experiences to enable further connection with networks and career development.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Sunday, February 15, 2026 | 11:59 PM (MDT)

VISIT THE FELLOWS WEB PAGE FOR APPLICATION MATERIALS & DETAILS

Questions? JOIN OUR INFORMATIONAL WEBINAR
or email us at: info@mountainsentinels.org



Colorado State University





CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

We are open to applicants from a wide range of educational and professional background, and invite a mix of students across multiple educational levels (undergraduate through postdoctoral fellows) as well as early career practitioners from diverse sectors and industries and members of mountain communities. All applicants are expected to live or work in, or have a strong connection to, a mountain community and be passionate about social-environmental sustainability. Applicants will be asked to describe how they represent an under-represented or under-served community in science.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Fill out the application form to describe your project and the community you wish to work with. You will be asked to provide the following documentation as part of the application:

- A brief description of how you will spend the funding, and completion of the budget proposal form (uploaded in the application).
- A resume/CV, no longer than 2 pages.
- A brief letter of support from a member of the community or group involved in your project (Note: if a letter is not possible, alternate options for demonstration of a community connection are provided).

TIMELINE

Fellows will be notified regarding the status of their application by the end of March, 2026.

FELLOWS' PROJECTS

Fellows should propose a project focused on improving social and environmental sustainability in mountains.

Fellows will be responsible for a final product such as a report, blog, video diary, photos, art, or other materials to communicate the outcomes of their project. These products will be shared publicly on our website (mountainsentinels.org). At the end of the fellowship, we will ask you to write a brief report to share what you learned and how this knowledge can be applied to other mountain communities. You will also be asked to complete a reflective evaluation of the experience.

For example, projects might include:

- Working with a local group on activities dedicated to social and environmental sustainability.
- Working with a school to expand access to online learning materials related to mountain sustainability.
- Leading community hikes in local natural areas to improve human health and understanding of the environment.
- An art exhibit or community event.
- Interviewing community members regarding ideas for improving social and environmental sustainability.

If you have questions about your eligibility as an applicant, the suitability of your project, or use of funds, please email us at: info@mountainsentinels.org