



SONOMA COUNTY REGIONAL PARKS

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT JULY 2023–JUNE 2024 SUMMARY REPORT

Sonoma County Regional Parks provides essential opportunities for people to connect with nature. We contribute to the vibrancy and well-being of our community by expanding access to recreation experiences, serving as responsible stewards of cultural and natural resources and ensuring that our parks are clean, safe and welcoming.

Environmental Education

10,870 students at Field trips

Bird Brains

9 schools & 338 students

Climate Change Agents

12 schools & 467 students

Cultural Walk at Tolay

37 schools & 1,435 students

Habitat & Home

47 schools & 2,611 students

Life in a Pond

9 schools & 503 students

Only Rain Down the Drain

35 schools & 1,704 students

Rockin & Recycling

27 schools & 1,466 students

Tidepools

9 Schools & 308 students

Weather or Not

21 Schools & 1,094 students

What's the Buzz

17 schools & 944 students

Camps

Camps offered: **18**
Number of youth participants: **302**

Interpretive Programs

Programs offered: **98**
Number of participants: **1,263**

Recreational Programs

Programs offered: **110**
Number of participants: **998**

Recreation & Aquatics

Summer 2024

Vamos a Nadar

Sonoma County Pool Partners **8**
Number of youth participants **177**
Number of Pool vouchers Claimed **44**

Lifeguard in Training (LGIT)

Junior guards camps **4**
Junior guards camp youth participants **111**

River Patrol

Rescues **4**
Safety Contacts **6,780**
Lifejackets loaned **28,714**

Spring Lake Lagoon

Rescues **3**
Safety Contacts **38,275**
Park Visitors **26,315**

Healdsburg Veterans Memorial Beach

Rescues **6**
Safety Contacts **5,929**
Park Visitors **56,737**

Our camps are designed to help young people learn skills, discover the natural world around them and stretch their creative muscles.



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Being outdoors promotes healthy bodies, minds and communities. At Sonoma County Regional Parks, we deliver these essential benefits through community engagement programs and outreach provided within a framework of equity, diversity, inclusion and cultural sensitivity.

Career Pathway & Volunteers

Career Pathway–Youth Crew Accomplishments & highlights:

Kaiser Foundation Grant:

Pinnacle Gulch Steps removed, berms removed, drainage features built, and 102 steps constructed.

Carrington Ranch Fuel Breaks:

20 days spent limbing up trees, gathering brush and constructing burn piles.

Trail maintenance:

Multiple days spent grooming (weed eating, chainsaw work, brush removal, chipping) at: Taylor Mountain, Mark West, Calabazas, Spring Lake, Maddux Ranch.

Community Volunteers:

Ongoing volunteers	350
One day volunteers	950
Volunteers workdays	50
Total volunteer work hours	35,000
Total volunteer participation	1,300

Community Outreach

Outreach activities

Partner programs:	63 programs
	1,348 participants
Community events:	12 events
	2,635 participants

Youth Exploring Sonoma (YES)! Parks

River youth participants	25
Coast youth participants	28
Mountain youth participants	TBD

Caminitos Al Parque/Little Walks to the Park

Number of outings	11
Number of participants	296

Caminitos Al Parque introduces low-income, Spanish-speaking families to the wonders of nature through a hands-on educational park experience that promotes literacy and nutrition. The program is in collaboration with Community Action Partnership’s Pasitos playgroups.

Please contact us if you’d like more information about our outreach programs, would like to collaborate, want to request a program for your organization or request that we attend a community event.

