

SF Bay Area Conservation and Eagle Project Ideas

BSA Awards, Activities, Merit Badges requiring Conservation-related Service- Cub Scouts

Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award

World Conservation Award

Scouts (and Venturing)

Life Rank- requires 6 hours of service projects, 3 of which must be conservation-related.

Merit Badges with a Conservation-related project component, or where Scouts would become familiar with conservation practices:

Camping (while camping)

Plant Science

Backpacking (while backpacking)

Soil and Water Conservation

Environmental Science

Sustainability

Fish and Wildlife Management

Paul Bunyan Award

World Conservation Award

50-Miler Award- requires 10 hours of service on the trail or similar activity back home.

National Outdoor Award- merit badges require service, and you can earn the Conservation Rocker

Hornaday Award- the "Pinnacle"- levels for Cub Scout Packs, Scouts, Venturers, Adult Leaders

How to record Service Hours for your Scout Unit

<https://www.scouting.org/awards/journey-to-excellence/jte-service-hours-input-and-information/>

<https://servicehours.scouting.org/includes/files/popHelp.htm>

Youtube video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fsH-W7pClkY>

Project Resources

Scout Camps- Camp Cutter, Boulder Creek Scout Reservation, and Camp Oljato.

Boulder Creek Scout Reservation- call Ranger Miles Hardbarger Camp (831) 338.3636; cell Phone (650) 773.5977

Cutter Scout Reservation Projects- call Ranger Don Hartline, c.(650) 785-2527, Camp (831) 338-2990

Audubon Society- Santa Clara Valley and Sequoia (San Mateo County) Chapters

<http://www.scvas.org> and <http://www.sequoia-audubon.org>

Bay Area Ridge Trail- <http://www.ridgetrail.org>

Bluebird, Owl, and Bat Nesting Boxes

<http://www.audubon.org/news/welcome-bluebirds-nestboxes>

<http://www.batcon.org/resources/getting-involved/bat-houses>

<https://www.hungryowl.org/nesting-box-overview/>

<http://www.amadorbarnowlbox.com>

California Coastal Conservancy, Coastal Clean-up days

<http://coastwalk.org/volunteer/coastalcleanupday/>

California Invasive Plant Council. <http://cal-ipc.org/landscaping/dpp/index.php> wvn@cal-ipc.org; <https://www.cal-ipc.org/resources/volunteers/wildland-volunteer-network/>

Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge

https://www.fws.gov/refuge/Don_Edwards_San_Francisco_Bay/GetInvolved.html

East Bay Regional Parks District- a lot of volunteer opportunities and Scout projects!

<http://www.ebparks.org/about/getinvolved/volunteer>

Ecomagic at Stanford- <http://www.ecomagic.org/participate.shtml#volunteer>

Environmental Volunteers- www.envol.org

Fitzgerald Marine Reserve, <http://fitzgeraldreserve.org/>

Friends of Edgewood Park

<http://www.friendsofedgeswood.org/>; <http://www.friendsofedgeswood.org/habitat-restoration>

Friends of Huddart and Wunderlich Park

<http://huddartwunderlichfriends.org/>

Grassroots Ecology, Website: <https://www.grassrootsecology.org/volunteer>

Kristen Williams, Habitat Restoration Director – kristen@grassrootsecology.org

Hidden Villa, volunteer@hiddenvilla.org, Marc Sidel <msidel@hiddenvilla.org>

Mid-Peninsula Open Space District

Website: <https://www.openspace.org/what-to-do/get-involved/volunteer>

Tom Reyes, Integrated Pest Management Coordinator – treyes@openspace.org

Jen Williams, Volunteer Program Manager – jwilliams@openspace.org

Aleksandra Evert, Volunteer Program Lead – aevert@openspace.org

Mountain Watch, San Bruno Mountain- <http://www.mountainwatch.org>

Pacific Beach Coalition: <https://www.pacificbeachcoalition.org/>

San Mateo County Parks- Website: <http://parks.smcgov.org/smc-parks-stewardship-corps>.

For more information contact Stuart Smith, sgsmith@smcgov, Volunteer Programs Coordinator, San Mateo County Parks Department, or Carla Schoof, (650) 599-1306 or email:

cschoof@smcgov.org. They have several project ideas ready for Troops, Dens, and Scouts,

just waiting for you!

San Mateo County Parks and The Trail Center Projects- <http://parks.smcgov.org/smc-parks-stewardship-corps>. For more information contact Stuart Smith, sgsmith@smcgov

San Mateo County Weed Management Area- many opportunities!
https://agwm.smcgov.org/search/site?search_api_views_fulltext=volunteer

San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory
<https://www.sfbbo.org>

San Pedro County Park- <http://parks.smcgov.org/san-pedro-valley-park-volunteers>

Santa Clara County Parks- Julie Lee, Volunteer Coordinator. Julie.Lee@PRK.SCCGOV.ORG
<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/parks/Volunteer/Pages/GetInvolved.aspx>
Search "Scouts and Youth" and "Current Opportunities" for lists.

Santa Clara Valley California Native Plant Society (CNPS)

Website: <http://www.cnps-scv.org/index.php/restoration>
Vivian Neou, President – president@cnps-scv.org

Santa Clara Valley Openspace Authority;

<https://www.openspaceauthority.org/volunteers/volunteer-opportunities-for-youth-community-groups.html>

Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Association- trail maintenance and building- you learn a lot!
<http://www.scmtra-trails.org/>

Save San Francisco Bay. <https://www.savesfbay.org/volunteering>

Sempervirens Fund Website: <https://sempervirens.org/protect-redwoods/volunteer-opportunities/>
Beatrix Jimenez, Land Stewardship Associate – bjimenez@sempervirens.org

The Trail Center- has information on projects with several local agencies-
<http://www.trailcenter.org>. Ridge Trail's volunteer coordinator Tina Cuevas at (415) 561-2595 ext 204 or email tinacuevas@ridgetrail.org

Wildlife Center of Silicon Valley- <http://wcsv.org/> npierson@wcsv.org

V-O-Cal.org- Volunteers for Outdoor California

Your City or Town or Your Chartering Organization- ask them!

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