



Plant the seeds.

"I started to go outside more often and I realized that nature was so wonderful."

—Third grade student from Juniper Elementary School

Why it matters

Nature affords us a wealth of benefits, including improvements to physical and mental well-being. Outdoor education connects children and adults alike with nature and cultivates a brighter future. It opens pathways to imagination, creativity, and critical thinking that enrich our lives and allow us to tackle the great challenges facing our planet.



Sustaining the future

Our programs emphasize the importance of environmental sustainability. We believe threats to our planet can be overcome through education and action. But to carry out this work, our programs need financial sustainability. The Conservancy's education staff includes two full-time and four part-time employees. Secure funding will allow us to:

- continue to deliver flagship programs such as "Habitats" (which serves all Escondido Union School District 3rd graders); Trout in the Classroom; Conservation Fellows, and others, during the next several years;
- establish a new, outdoor field trip hosting location at our beautiful Sardina Preserve in order to expand programming and equitably reach more children;
- convert an old agricultural building on our Mountain Meadow Preserve into a field station where students can conduct real-world conservation research; and
- grow our California Statewide Outdoor Learning (CalSOL) coalition to expand advocacy for equitable access to outdoor education for all K-12 public school students in California.



Watch them grow.

So many ways to give:

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Learn more about ways to give by contacting Meghan Williams, (530) 321-1395 or via email meghan@escondidocreek.org.

Our Matching Program

Thanks to extremely generous donors, all donations up to \$215,000 will be matched.

- New donors' gifts will be matched \$2 for every dollar;
- Donations with an employer match will be matched \$2 for every dollar; and
- All other donations will be matched dollar for dollar.

Every donation to The Escondido Creek Conservancy translates into education, advocacy and the permanent preservation of habitat. There could not be a better time to give.

Thank you!