



Salvation Army Redwood Glen Camp Service Project

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Sponsored By: Troop 577

Service Weekend Dates: **March 26th - 28th, 2010**

Service Weekend Cost: **FREE to all Participants**



Boy Scouts of America

Service Project(s) for the Salvation Army Camp - Redwood Glen Executive Summary

Objective

To perform a series of service projects for the Salvation Army camp, Redwood Glenn. In order to accomplish the amount of work that needs to be done, this proposal defines purpose and activities to involve the Pioneer District, and the Council as a whole. Further, this project would qualify as a "Good Turn for America" service project as it is for the Salvation Army. In addition to the Good Turn for America service hours, it will also qualify the scout for the Service Ribbon of the 100 Year of Celebration Loop Patch. Additionally, this project will better the camp for the summer to be filled with "At Risk" kids, and "Inter-City" teens from around the Santa Clara Valley. The final objective is offer this as a great first camp for new scouts that just bridged into Boy Scouts and to get them started in their journey.

Goals

The primary goal is to complete a number of projects spread around the camp and to get it ready for summer activities. The secondary goal is to earn hours toward service and for the scout, crew, or team member to exercise leadership, stewardship, compassion, doing a good turn, and teamwork. Additionally, the OA can use this project as a way to introduce scouts to the mission and heart of what the OA is all about - service.

Solution

The solution is to have a number of scouting units signed up either from Santa Clara, Monterey, and Pack Sky Councils in order to include units that put service high in their program goals. Additionally, units will be able to sign up for a specific project that best suits their unit focus, or capabilities. The advantage of signing up for a specific project(s), each scouting unit will know the type of activity they will perform and to properly train or prepare the scouts for the tasks to be done. These units will be able to log their hours on the "Good Turn for America," program website at <http://www.goodturnforamerica.org/>, plus earn a segment toward their Service Ribbon on the Year of Celebration Patch.

Work Packages

In order to get the amount of work done, the projects(work packages) will be broken into manageable pieces so a unit can complete their segment by the closing ceremony. Each unit will also bring the necessary tools to complete their selected work and if unit does not have the tools needed, arrangements will need to be made with the Program Manager to ensure they have what they need.

Expectations

Each Unit should come with a complete roster of kids, and the necessary safety gear such as eye protection, and gloves based on project. Additionally, each scout will need to bring a copy of their Class A & B medical forms which will be returned at the end of the weekend. Further it is the responsibility of the unit to ensure that the scouts participating are in proper physical condition to perform the work that they unit be be doing. If for any reason an accident does occur, there will be a paramedic on site and if necessary the Scotts Valley medical Center is a short drive away.

Finally, the expectation is to have FUN, and enjoy the weekend knowing that over 2500 kids scheduled to attend the 2010 summer camp will be enjoying a facility your scouts help restore.

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Weekend Overview March 26th - 28th, 2010

The Service Weekend is being coordinated by Troop 577. The overall Program Manager is Dennis Conte who is the primary point of contact with the camp. Troop 577 will be working with the units to assign responsibilities to each unit such as helping plan the campfire on Saturday night, to camp hosts, or registration, or taking part in a Scouts Own service on Sunday morning, and flag ceremonies. **THIS IS A FREE** event to the scout and or the unit, this includes meals, and lodging, if a unit would like to use a cabin rather than pitching tents. Of course if a unit would like to use their tents, the grass field will be available. The only cost incurred by the scout is traveling costs incurred by the unit to get to camp or if they would like purchase the Patch for this event.

Friday will begin with registration starting as early as 5:30PM, and closing for the evening at 10:00PM for the late arrivals. There will be a short 15 minute welcome in the camp Chapel at 8:00PM followed by a Cracker Barrel at 8:30 in the cafeteria. The Program Manager will go over the expectations and layout the work and which unit is doing what. For the Cub Scouts, the expectation is for Webelos 1 & 2s to sleep over, and the other Cub Scout ranks to arrive Saturday morning.

Saturday morning will have a 15 minute PLC to review safety procedures. There is going to be one major planning meeting prior to the weekend where project assignments will be made and to go over activities. Also during this meeting, the Saturday night Campfire program will be discussed. The unit senior leader or a scout assigned will be responsible for attending this meeting. The meeting will be determined by January 1st.

Service is the focus for the weekend, but in holding in the scouting spirit, units will have time at the end of Saturday for a large game of Capture the Flag or to just hangout before dinner. There will also be unit citations for keeping their areas clean, for unit spirit, and for the unit that best demonstrates the Heart of Service, and these will be awarded at Sunday Lunch.

Units should properly plan how to manage their time in order to complete their tasks, and the Program Manager will assist the units in planning a timeline if it is needed.

Weekend Quick Schedule

Friday

- 5:30PM Registration Opens
- 8:30PM Cracker Barrel starts
- 10:00Pm Registration Closes for the evening
- 11:00 Lights Out

Saturday

- 7:30AM Opening Flag Ceremony
- 8:00AM Breakfast
- 8:45AM Work begins
- 12:30PM Lunch
- 1:05PM Work Continues
- 4:00PM Wrap up Days work & Clean Up
- 5:00PM Flags (if not Lighted)
- 5:10PM Capture the Flag or Free Time
- 6:15PM Dinner
- 7:00PM Campfire
- 8:30PM Cracker Barrel
- 10:30PM Lights Out

Sunday

- 7:15AM Opening Flags
- 7:30AM Breakfast
- 8:15AM Scouts Own
- 9:00AM Work Begins
- 12:15PM Lunch
- 12:45PM Finalize Work sites
- 2:15PM Closing Flags
- 2:30PM Dismiss

Work Activities for the Service Weekends

Not all activities need to be assigned, this simply is the list of available projects.

- Snow Fence Installation around Propane Tanks
 - Clear brush from around the tanks
- Prayer Walk enhanced to meet ADA compliance
- Trail Maintenance on all trails
 - Water Erosion Control
 - Tree Branch Trimming
 - Installing steps where needed
- Paint the Foot Bridge
- Spread Bark around the Playground Area
- Clear Brush around cabins to create fire breaks
- Repair or Replace the Stairs for Adventure Cabins
- Restore the Volleyball Courts
- Repair fence around Dining Hall
- Camp Fire area
 - Benches need to be sanded and Painted
 - Firewood to be chopped smaller and stacked
- Repair the Chapel Benches
- Cabin porches need to be painted
- Dining Hall Deck needs to be repainted
 - Pressure wash the Deck and or scrap the old paint
 - Paint
- Fix the planter Boxes in front of the cabins
- Clear the Brush from around the RV parking area
- Sand and Paint Decks and Rails
- Clean and reorganize the the Camp Workshop
- Sand and paint Porches
- Clean the Baseball Field/Weeding
- Create Hiking Trail Signage
- Paint the Interior of the Health Center

Sign-Up Form

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Sign-Up Form This is a **NO Cost** event to the Youth (Meals, Lodging, & Snacks are paid by the Camp for their Service)

For Participant to Complete			
First Name:		Last Name:	
Address:	City:	Zip:	
Phone:			
Email:			
Unit Type and No. <small>(Troop, Pack, Crew, Team, OA)</small>	Date:		

For Unit Leader to Complete			
Participating No. of Youth:		Full Weekend Attendance:	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Participating No. of Adults:		Saturday Only:	<input type="checkbox"/> YES
Unit leader's Name:		Unit to Participate in the Campfire Program:	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Leader's Phone Number:			<input type="checkbox"/> Song
Hours Worked - <small>(Good Turn for America Credit)</small>			<input type="checkbox"/> Skit
			<input type="checkbox"/> 1 of Both

Select the Project(s) your Unit would like to Participate or Lead:

- Trail Maintenance
- CampFire Bleacher Refinishing
- Install Snow Fence(s) around Propane Tanks
- Sand & Paint Deck(s)
- Restore Volleyball Courts
- Repair Benches in the Outdoor Chapel
- Repair or Replace Stairs for Adventure Cabins
- Paint the Health Center Interior
- Sand & Paint the Deck Railings
- Make Prayer Trailer ADA Complaint
- Create Trail Signage
- Clean the Baseball Field / Weeding
- Spread Bark around the Playground
- Sand & Paint Cabin Porches
- Clearing Brush around Cabins

Submit Forms to:

Troop577@me.com

Register Online

http://www.vcc-troop577.com/sa_serviceweekend.html

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