

The San Gabriel Mountains

Los Angeles' Back Yard

A Local Heritage

The San Gabriel Mountains present an iconic backdrop to greater Los Angeles. For centuries the mountains have provided resources, recreational opportunities, natural discoveries, and spiritual renewal. Today, with budgets for forests and parks shrinking, approximately 4 million annual visitors will visit our local mountains.

Through educational programs and visi-



tor services the *San Gabriel Mountains Heritage Association* bridges the gap between visitor needs and our local mountain resources.

We provide programs for schools, scouts, and community groups at two Forest Service educational facilities. Our volunteers also staff front counters at visitor information centers.



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Instilling wonder, appreciation, and preservation through education

Programs

The Heritage Association offers:

- Hands-on grade-specific programs to schools and educational groups
- Merit badge programs and community service opportunities for scouts
- Seasonal programs and events for families
- Opportunities for corporate work days

Locations

Environmental education facilities are located at the Mt. Baldy Visitor Center in Mt. Baldy Village, and at the San Gabriel Canyon Education Center, 10 miles north of Azusa on Highway 39.

You Have Something to Offer

Nearly all of us have more talent than we take credit for, and more to share than we know. The following are a few of the possible options:

- Assisting in setting up and developing curriculum for programs
- Helping visitors with questions about hikes, picnic areas, and campgrounds
- Showing off your handyman (or – woman!) skills at the visitor center
- Helping with social, digital media
- Practicing your gardening skills in the garden
- Stocking and adding a decorative touch to the gift shop
- Underwriting the cost of educational materials
- Scheduling a corporate-sponsored work day