

Volunteer Report

Open Space and Regional Park Commission Meeting
November 2, 2021

August & September Volunteer Updates

- August Volunteer Hours = 198.75
This is a pretty low number for August but not surprising considering the hazardous air quality and heat throughout the month. Many planned service days were postponed or cancelled.
- September Volunteer Hours = 882.5
- Groups that volunteered in August and September included: Boy Scouts of America Troop 10 (monthly group at Bartley), Boys Scouts of America Troop 150 (reoccurring group at Bowers/Davis), Boys Team Charity (monthly volunteers at rotating locations), Reno Running Company, Bridge Church, UNR Pre-Dental Society, and Charles River Laboratories.
- Reno Running Company, in partnership with KTMB, have created a unique and fun way to volunteer. Groups of 15 or so people get together to go “Plogging”, which is a combination of jogging and picking up litter! Recent locations that have benefited from their service include North Valleys Regional Park and Evans Creek Canyon. Even though they are moving quickly, they really do manage to pick up a lot of litter!
- We continue to have a strong showing of support from individual volunteers working at the Arboretum, within the Community Garden at Rancho San Rafael Park, at the Hive at Lazy 5 Regional Park overseeing pickleball and basketball, as hosts at the Galena Creek Visitor Center upon their reopening, at the Regional Shooting Facility, and we have various LDS Missionaries volunteering at Bowers/Davis, Galena Creek Regional Park, and Lazy 5 Regional Park.
- The Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful Truckee River cleanup occurred on Saturday, September 25th from 9am-12pm and was a great success. Participating Washoe County sites include Mayberry Park, Galena Creek Regional Park, Dorosktar Park, Crystal Peak Park, Lockwood Park and the Carcione property with a total of 206 volunteers at Washoe County sites alone! Projects included weed abatement, spreading mulch, and trash cleanup. We are so grateful to KTMB for organizing this annual large scale cleanup effort!