

Volunteer Report

Open Space and Regional Park Commission Meeting
January 4, 2022

October Volunteer Updates

- October Volunteer Hours = 1,254.75
This is slightly more than the number of volunteer hours in October of 2020. While we continue to have a decent number of volunteer events, group sizes are remaining smaller than in years past.
- Groups that volunteered in October included: Patagonia, Truckee Meadows Pickleball Club, Social Entrepreneurs, Boys Team Charity, Boy Scouts of America, Tesla, Sage Ridge School, Damonte Ranch High School Key Club, Harley Davidson Financial, Blue Key Honor Society, Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Phi Omega, Med Life (UNR Medical Fraternity), and the UNR Key Club.
- 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 docents at Bowers Mansion, as hosts at the Galena Creek Visitor Center, 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 annual “Meet the Turkey’s” event at Rancho San Rafael Park was a success thanks in part to volunteers. The Boys Team Charity, a group of high school aged boys that volunteer with their parents each month, helped prep the area by doing a huge leaf cleanup. Volunteers who normally help in the community garden then came to help with crafts and to help visitors prepare for their photos with the turkeys. In December, many of these same volunteers will assist in handing out Christmas trees during the Christmas Trees for Special Families event.

November Volunteer Updates

- November Volunteer Hours = 480.25
This is at least a 28% increase over last year but is likely actually a higher percentage as we are missing some hours.
- Groups that volunteered in November included: Keller Associates.
- The majority of November’s hours were from various LDS missionaries serving at Bowers/Davis, Galena Creek Regional Park, and Lazy 5 Regional Park. The remainder of November hours came from individual volunteers such as Arboretum and Hive volunteers.