



# MAKING CALIFORNIA PARKS MORE **WELCOMING,** **ACCESSIBLE,** AND **RELEVANT** TO ALL VISITORS.

## Junior Rangers

At Parks California we believe that building the next generation of park stewards means engaging children in relevant park experiences today. The California State Parks Junior Rangers program provides quality education for children ages 7-12 with opportunities to earn badges, certificates and patches at more than 70 state parks. These STEAM educational opportunities help children learn by providing a safe environment through hands-on engaging activities.

In 2020, the California State Parks Junior Rangers program went virtual in response to COVID-19, reaching over 10,000 youth virtually in collaboration with schools and community groups. Park interpreters also created a dual-language Junior Rangers program to present in both Spanish and English, increasing access to this program for thousands of children.

### Your donation will enable:

- More parks to offer the Junior Rangers program including historic sites and urban parks
- Expansion of the dual-language Junior Rangers initiative
- An online digital platform for Junior Rangers badges
- A redesign and refresh of program materials and awards provided to participants
- Increased park access and relevance for all youth

**The Junior Rangers program** merges opportunities for community involvement and youth programs with instruction. Your support helps children build a relationship with nature, positioning parks for the future and strengthening the next generation of people caring for our beloved parks.

Parks California is based on a new model for public, private and nonprofit partnership.  
Together, we ensure protected lands remain resilient while meeting the evolving needs of all people.  
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