Access to Parks

At Parks California, we believe everyone deserves the opportunity to explore and enjoy the natural diversity that our state has to offer. As a key nonprofit partner to California’s State Parks, we are working to increase access for all, expanding opportunities in rural and urban parks, and creating life-long relationships with nature. To help close the access gap, Parks California makes smart investments to raise public awareness and enhance visitor experiences by addressing barriers that keep many people from exploring and appreciating state parks and public lands. By doing so, we are cultivating the next generation of park stewards for a thriving and stronger California State Park system.

Your donation will support these types of programs and more:

- Transportation for underserved communities to visit parks
- Development of culturally relevant programming in parks
- Outdoor leadership training and workforce development
- Camping/outdoor gear lending libraries
- School field trips and digital access to parks
- Jr. Rangers and Jr. Lifeguards programs in state parks
- PORTS Program’s FREE interactive virtual field trips
- Parks California’s Route to Parks grant program
- Spotlighting of untold stories from state parks
- Resource-stewardship initiatives
- Relief for state parks affected by wildfires
- Development of state parks in urban settings