

Open Space and Regional Parks Commission Meeting August 2, 2022

May & June Volunteer Updates

May Volunteer Hours = 1,295.5

May was an eventful month with a variety of groups volunteering. The number of volunteer hours for the month was pretty in-line with an average May.

Volunteer groups included Boy Scouts of America Troop 10, Whites Creek Dental, Sportsman's Warehouse, Procrastinating Peddlers, the LDS Church, Sage Ridge School, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), UNR's Master Society of Public Health, and Great Basin Federal Credit Union. Employees from the latter group, Great Basin Federal Credit Union, raised \$1000 to purchase trees and shrubs and volunteered their time to get everything in the ground at the Nevada Farms and Families area of Rancho San Rafael Park.

As also mentioned in the last report, the IBEW groups that volunteered was made up of electrician apprentices that would volunteer for a few hours at a time in addition to their regular instruction. They volunteered on 7 different occasions at various parks between April and May with a group size of about 20 people. We accomplished so much with their help.

We also had groups of TMCC students completing hours for the Nevada Promise Scholarship. An online signup page was created, and the students could pick days and locations to work as a group at Bartley Ranch, Lockwood Park, Sun Valley Regional Park, Rancho San Rafael Park and/or Lazy 5 Regional Park.

• June Volunteer Hours = 564.25

Volunteering often slows down in June due to the warmer temps, people are on vacation, and UNR is no longer in session. Volunteering this June was similar to last year.

Volunteer groups in the month of June included Boy Scouts of America Troop 10, Koinonia Family Services, Intuit, the LDS Church, Reno Running Company (at both Davis Creek and Rancho San Rafael), and the Truckee Meadows Pickleball Club who volunteered to remove weeds at Hidden Valley Regional Park and painted pickleball lines on the Golden Valley Park tennis court at their own expense.