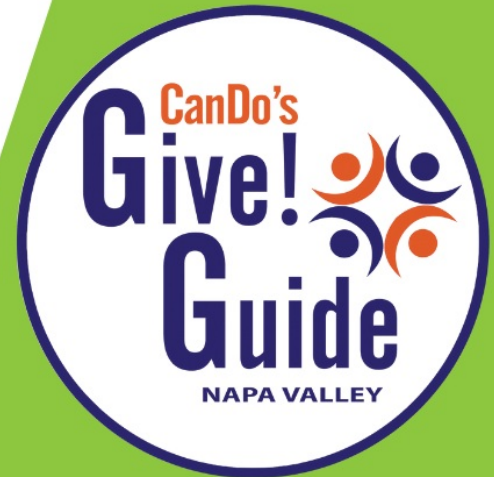


Helping you care
for our **land, water,**
soil, and wildlife.



Hello Napa RCD Community!

As 2024 draws to a close, we're filled with gratitude for the incredible strides we've made in partnership with our community. This year, with your support, Napa RCD helped landowners improve forest health and wildfire resilience across more than 600 acres. We strengthened our community through the Napa Prescribed Burn Association, bringing together over 150 local members to learn and grow in our shared commitment to using good fire to nurture a healthier landscape. Through our programs, we worked closely with local farmers to improve irrigation systems and reduce carbon footprints, we brought nature-based experiences to over 1,000 school students county-wide, and worked along almost 1,000 volunteers in stewarding the land. We also collaborated with landowners to enhance pollinator habitats, planting 35 acres of native cover crops that will support local wildlife for years to come.

Our work to protect Napa's waterways and fish populations also saw meaningful progress, with over \$7 million raised to remove fish passage barriers and improve the health of the Napa River. The steelhead trout we've been able to observe, along with many other native species, are a testament to the River's resilience and the success of our collective conservation efforts.

This work could not have been possible without YOU. Your support has made a lasting impact on the land, water, and wildlife we all cherish. As we continue this important work, we invite you to continue supporting Napa RCD! Come out and join us at one of our upcoming volunteer days, or consider donating through the **Napa Valley Give!Guide** to watch our programs grow. Every donation helps us build a brighter, more resilient future for Napa County.

A huge thank you for all you've done to support our mission! We hope to see you outside in the new year!

Until next time,



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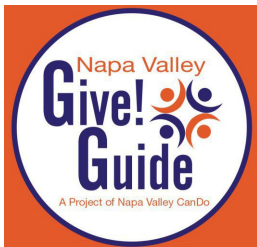
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Planting the Seeds of Change through the 2024 Give!Guide

Napa RCD is excited to participate in CanDo's Napa Valley Give!Guide, a fantastic community fundraising campaign. This year, we're joining over 66 dedicated nonprofits making a difference here in Napa County. A big thanks goes out to the 42 community members who have already donated Napa RCD and are making an impact with their contribution.

All month long, we'll be sharing stories of our ongoing projects and successes. We hope these stories inspire you to connect with our mission and deepen your understanding of how we can care for our environment together. Read the first article now by clicking the button below!

Optimizing Water Use: How Napa



RCD Supports Local Growers in Effective Water Management Practices

Support Napa RCD and explore the full list of nonprofits at CandoGiveGuide.org. The fundraiser runs until December 31—let's plant the seeds of change together for a more resilient community.

Learn More

CWPP Project Submittal Forms Open

We're excited to announce that the CWPP Project Submittal Forms are now live! This is your opportunity to contribute to wildfire resilience efforts by submitting project ideas focused on improving community safety and environmental health. Whether you're an individual, organization, or agency, we encourage you to share your proposed projects to help guide future planning.

Visit the link below to submit your ideas and get involved in making a difference by helping to shape the City of Napa CWPP.

Have questions? Reach out to monique@naparcd.org

Explore the Hubsite and Submit a Project



Napa RCD at the CARCD Annual Conference

This week, Napa RCD joined colleagues from across the state at the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts (CARCD) Annual Conference. Our staff was featured across various panels, discussing our work on education program design and strong partnerships between land trusts and RCDs, and answering questions on our work with Resilient & Equitable Urban Streams, as we continue to lead efforts to improve urban watershed health.

The conference was an excellent opportunity to connect with other RCDs, exchange ideas, and brainstorm new approaches to conservation. We're excited about the partnerships and possibilities ahead!

Seeking 2024 Spring Teen Conservation Interns

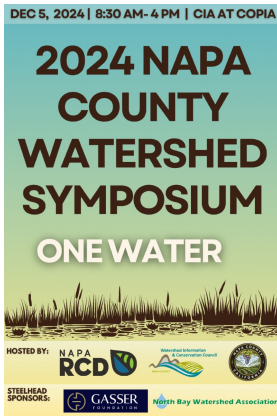


Are you a high school student passionate about the environment? Napa RCD's Teen Conservation Internship (TCI) offers an incredible opportunity to gain career skills, work experience in the environmental field, and lead meaningful projects to improve watershed and forest health in your community. As a TCI intern, you'll:

- Lead habitat restoration volunteers
- Communicate project results to stakeholders
- Work alongside environmental professionals

Applications are due by January 20, 2025. Selected applicants will be contacted to schedule interviews the week of January 24.

Learn More



Dive Into the Presentations! 2024 Napa County Watershed Symposium

Thank you to everyone who joined us at the 2024 Napa Watershed Symposium! It was a great day of learning and connection focused on Napa County's water future where we explored some of the great work happening in and around the region. A special thanks goes out to our sponsors, exhibitors, and incredible speakers who shared their insights and inspired us all.

Weren't able to make it to the event? Presentations and additional resources are now available online at napawatersheds.org.

Learn More



North Coast Soil Hub Fall Newsletter

The North Coast Soil Hub is a regionally focused network that tackles specific agricultural needs, successes, and challenges. The hub's dedicated coordinating and advising team includes Resource Conservation Districts (RCDs), NRCS Field Offices, UC Cooperative Extension Farm Advisers & Researchers, Santa Rosa Junior College educators, the Carbon Cycle Institute, industry organizations, and—most importantly—North Coast agriculturists. Learn more about how these partnerships are making a difference in their latest newsletter!

Learn More

Upcoming Events with Napa RCD

1/4 - First Saturday Volunteer Event: Alston Park



Restoration

Join Napa RCD at Alston Park for the first First Saturday Volunteer Event of 2025! Start the New Year off right with some time spent outside giving our restoration site a little bit of love. We're working hard to outsmart the increasing vole population in Alston Park, and we need your help to make an impact on the ground. Bring the family, invite your friends, and let's work together to keep Napa's natural beauty shining.

Learn More



1/20 - MLK Day of Service at Westwood Hills Park

Looking for a way to get outdoors, give back, and have a blast with your community? Join the City of Napa and Napa RCD as we unite for a day of action and impact! This year, we're taking on tackling the removal of French broom, an invasive plant, at Westwood Hills Park. Together, we'll restore this beautiful space and create a healthier environment for all to enjoy. No experience? No problem! Our Napa RCD Teen Conservation Interns will provide all the tools and guidance you'll need. Mark your calendar, spread the word, and we'll see you there!

Learn More

Help our Native Plants Thrive!

Fourth Saturday French Broom Volunteer Weed Pulls
Westwood Hills Park - 9am-12pm
Meet at the kiosk
Tools and training provided



January 25
February 22
March 22
April 26

Come prepared for all weather, uneven terrain, and a short hike up a steep hill. Once up the hill, we will have tasks for all ability levels.

FOR MORE INFO EMAIL
ecorona@cityofnapa.org



1/25 - Westwood Hills Park Volunteer Weed Pull

Join our friends at City of Napa Parks and Rec for a very satisfying start to their fourth Saturday weed pulls! For the next four months, meet them on the fourth Saturday to spend the morning pulling invasive French broom at Westwood Hills Park! We promise you'll feel more accomplished than a rock star at the end of your day! To RSVP, contact Ranger Erin at ecorona@cityofnapa.org

Tap into the Watershed



Carolyn Parr Nature Center Holiday Open House

December 14

Learn More



California E-Bike Incentive Project

Applications open December 18

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Basic Wildland Firefighter and Firelighter Training

Application Deadline: January 3

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Pile Burning for Fuels Reduction Workshop

January 18

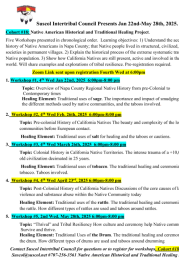
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UCCE Forest Stewardship Workshops

Online: January 21-March 18, 2025 In-Person: February 22 in Sonoma County

Learn More



Suscol Intertribal Council, Native American Historical and Traditional Healing Project Training Series

January 22-May 28 (Monthly, Wednesday Evening Zoom Sessions)

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NexTrex Recycling Challenge

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How does the challenge work?

- Register on NexTrex.com to obtain access to the NexTrex app
- Collect items in 2-month collection time period
- Collect minimum of 100 lbs.
- Report recycling totals at nexTrex.com

What can be recycled?

All items must be clean, dry and free of food residue.



Register on the website NexTrex.com

What does NexTrex provide?

- NexTrex recycling bin
- 2 bags

What can I win?

- NexTrex recycling bin
- 2 bags



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**Stop by and say hello to us at this event!*

Did you know we have a separate email list for our **volunteers**?

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