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City of San Diego Celebrates its Volunteers, Participates in National Week of Service

MAYOR HONORS TOP VOLUNTEERS SATURDAY

SAN DIEGO – In advance of the National Week of Service, Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer will honor some of the City of San Diego’s 14,000 volunteers during an awards ceremony and luncheon at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion in Balboa Park. Nineteen volunteers will be recognized with Mayoral awards, nine volunteers will be honored with department awards and 119 volunteers will receive the President’s Volunteer Service Award for the hours they have contributed to the City in the last 12 months. In 2016, 14,000 volunteers contributed 130,000 hours to the City of San Diego, representing a contribution of more than \$8 million.

The Annual Volunteer Appreciation Award ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 22, 2017, with a performance by Civic Arts Dance. Following the awards ceremony, there will be a luncheon for the City’s volunteers provided by California Coast Credit Union, the City’s official financial partner. The ceremony is open to the public and will feature booths highlighting a range of volunteer opportunities available at the City.

WHAT: City of San Diego Annual Volunteer Appreciation Awards

WHEN: 10 a.m. Saturday, April 22, 2017

WHERE: Spreckels Organ Pavilion in Balboa Park
 Pan American Road E. San Diego, CA 92101

WHO: San Diego Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer will present Mayoral Awards
 Kristina Fraijo, Program Manager for the Volunteer, Internship and Work Readiness
 Program, Human Resources Department will emcee

More than 500 volunteers for the City of San Diego

VISUALS: City Arts Dance performance, distribution of awards to volunteers by San Diego Mayor, public information booths about volunteer, mentoring and internship opportunities with the City.

The City of San Diego's Human Resources Department, through its Volunteer, Internship and Work Readiness Program, is also offering a variety of volunteer opportunities for individuals and groups to participate in during the National Week of Service, April 23-30, 2017. There are 15 volunteer events to choose from and involve beautification improvements to City recreation centers, a branch library, Chollas Creek, Mission Trails and Navajo Canyon. Each volunteer opportunity typically lasts three hours.

If you or your group would like to participate in one of these events, please register at <https://www.sandiego.gov/volunteer-program>. See additional volunteer event information below.

2017 National Week of Service Events hosted by the City of San Diego

Sunday, April 23

Mission Trails Trail Improvement

8 a.m. to noon

2 Father Junipero Serra Trail

San Diego, CA 92119

Presidio Recreation Center

9 a.m. to noon

2811 Jackson St.

San Diego, CA 92110

Rancho Peñasquitos / Mira Mesa Trail Maintenance

8:30 a.m. to noon

12115 Black Mountain Road

San Diego, CA 92129

Monday, April 24

Mountain View Recreation Center Beautification

9 a.m. to noon

641 S. Boundary St.

San Diego, CA 92113

Southcrest Recreation Center Beautification

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

4149 Newton Ave.
San Diego, CA 92113

Tuesday, April 25

North Clairemont Recreation Center Beautification
9 a.m. to noon
4421 Bannock Ave.
San Diego, CA 92117

Wednesday, April 26

Cadman Recreation Center Beautification
9 to 11 a.m.
4280 Avati Drive
San Diego, CA 92117

Santa Clara Recreation Center Beautification
9 to 11 a.m.
1008 Santa Clara Place
San Diego, CA 92109

Thursday, April 27

9 to 11 a.m.
Coast Walk Trail cleanup in La Jolla
1160 Coast Blvd.
La Jolla, CA 92037

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center Beautification
9 to 11 a.m.
6401 Skyline Drive
San Diego, CA 92114

Friday, April 28

Encanto Recreation Center Beautification
9 to 11 a.m.
6508 Wunderlin Ave.
San Diego, CA 92114

Saturday, April 29

Chollas Creek Environmental Project
9 a.m. to noon
4901 Perkon Place
San Diego, CA 92105

Fiesta Island Park and Beach Area Beautification

9 a.m. to noon

1590 East Mission Bay Dr.

San Diego, CA 92109

Mission Trails Park Beautification

8 a.m. to noon

2 Father Junipero Serra Trail

San Diego, CA 92119

Navajo Canyon Restoration Project

9 a.m. to noon

6800 Easton Court

San Diego, CA 92120

Sunday, April 30

Memorial Recreation Center and Skate Park and Logan Heights Library Beautification

9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

2902 Marcy Ave.

San Diego, CA 92113

Otay Valley Trail Repair and Park Maintenance

9 a.m. to noon

2155 Beyer Blvd.

San Diego, CA 92154

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