

WHISKEYTOWN ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOOL COMMUNITY



Keeping Environmental Education Alive in Shasta County

April 2024



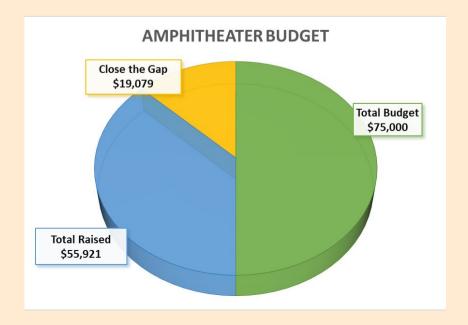


AMPHITHEATER REBUILDING PROGRESS

Jim Dowling Photo

A "New Act for the Amphitheater" project is in the final National Park Service approval stage! Construction has been delayed by a wet winter; Whiskeytown has received 116% of its normal precipitation! Groundbreaking is expected this summer.

As the heart of the campus, the amphitheater is the premier outdoor teaching space for students. Day-long field trips and summer day camps have again commenced at WES and rehabilitation of the beloved, but crumbling space is a must. Please consider a gift now to help us reach the finish line!





Amphitheater Steadily Working c. 1978



Amphitheater Still Working 2022



ACE HARDWARE - 2ND YEAR!



Eureka Way, Redding - Marx Way, Anderson - Cascade Blvd, Shasta Lake

JUNE 2024

ACE Hardware joins the effort to rebuild WES for the second year in a row. This community-oriented business is supporting the **Grow Back Stronger** campaign during the month of June.

Shop for your hardware and household needs at the store, and round up to the nearest whole dollar amount at checkout for WES. Shoppers give a little and cumulatively, WES Community receives a nice donation from your shopping via ACE Hardware at the above locations. Together in 2023, generous shoppers and ACE Hardware raised \$6,000!.

SPRING 2024 BRINGS IMPROVED TRAILS TO STUDENTS

Students are back at WES once again for field trips that commenced March 25th. WES director Nathan Fairchild reports that the calendar is filling fast, demand is competitive with cancellations rebooked within a matter of hours. Educators want this program for students!

Happily, the educational experience at WES has improved this year due to trail clearing, allowing for a diversity of instructional sites along the creek. A coalition of community volunteers worked together to clear trails of the vigorous regrowth since the Carr Fire. Three cheers for Redding Trail Alliance, Whiskeytown National Recreation Area staff, SCOE staff, and fifteen community volunteers who worked together and gave freely of their time on March 13th and March 16th to clear the campus trails.



Trail Clearing Crew:

Redding Trail Alliance, WES Community, SCOE, Whiskeytown NRA/NPS and community volunteers worked together for improved trails for students.





JOIN WES COMMUNITY AT THESE EVENTS

WES Community participates in these events to keep our mission in front of the community. Please stop by our booth and say hello.

Earth Day - April 20, 2024 Caldwell Park 11 AM – 4 PM

Join WES Community and other community organizations on April 25th at Caldwell Park. Stop by our booth with your family and learn about the rebuilding progress. Children will have a chance to be creative and make wood cookie necklaces.







Redding Trail Alliance Trail Mixer - May 11, 2024 Swasey Drive, West Redding 10 AM to 2 PM

Join the fun at the Swasey BLM trails for this family event. Meet other outdoor enthusiasts and land stewards while sharing complimentary refreshments and hot dogs. Learn about the organizations involved in promoting and protecting the amazing outdoor resources at Redding's doorstep. Visit us at the WES Community booth to learn about our local geology and make some rock inspired art.



Redding Health Expo - June 8, 2024
Redding Civic Auditorium 9 AM - 4 PM

Enjoy performances, a 5K run, food trucks, and a chance to win prizes from different vendors. Learn about organizations and businesses that focus on health, wellness, nutrition, fitness, and medicine. Don't forget to visit the WES Community booth!





BECOME A BOARD MEMBER OR VOLUNTEER

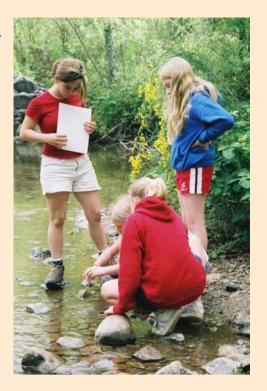
Are you interested in promoting the benefits of outdoor education for youth? Would you like to give back to our community, while collaborating with an amazing team? Do you have a knack for fundraising, community engagement, number crunching, or possess computer skills?

Join our Board of Directors or volunteer so that our youth and our community can thrive! Be a part of the team for 2 years or volunteer for shorter term projects. Volunteer opportunities:

- Speaking engagements & table events
- Host an in home fundraiser
- Join a committee

Contact us with a resume: wescommunityinfo@gmail.com

or call: 530.440.5584



CREATE A GIVING NETWORK WITH YOUR FACEBOOK/META PAGE

Create a network of awareness and giving for WES Community with your Facebook page. Your birthday, anniversary, or another special day for celebration is the perfect opportunity to support projects you value. It is an easy way for family and friends from afar to honor you with a gift of love to WES Community. We appreciate the many donations we have received from this source.

OUR MISSION

Whiskeytown Environmental School Community (WES Community) exists to support educational goals through immersive outdoor experiences for learners at Whiskeytown Environmental School (WES). WES Community contributes to the school's mission through advocacy and relationship building with communities, businesses and public agencies to generate funds and further shared goals.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS & LIAISONS

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DONATION OPPORTUNITIES

- Donate online, <u>wescommunity.org</u> or by check, WES Community, PO Box 3, Whiskeytown, CA 96095
- Facebook Birthday Fundraisers
- Benevity Corporate Matching program
- Asset and non-cash gifts: Gordon Flinn, 530.945.8351

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