

Program Application: 83529655

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Coyote Creek Trail REC (Recreation and Education Connections)

Grant Amount Requested

\$75,000.00

Organization Name

Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful

Urban Grant Program Application Questions

Overview

Type of project (check all that apply)

Grant category (check all that apply)

Parks, Trails, and Public Access, Environmental Education

Project Location: Address / Neighborhood

What is the physical location of the project? If there is no physical location, please enter "N/A." If the project will be in multiple locations, please list all. Note: project location(s) must be within the Authority's jurisdiction.

Kelley Park, 1300 Senter Road, San Jose, CA 95112

Alum Rock Park, 16260 Penitencia Creek Rd, San Jose, CA 95127

Hellyer County Park, 996 Hellyer Ave, San Jose, CA 95111

Coyote Creek Trail, various entry points

Coyote Creek Visitor Center, 19245 Malaguerra Ave, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

Project Location

Open Space Authority District of Project Location(s)(check all that apply)

Authority District 1, Authority District 2, Authority District 6, Authority District 7

Who does the project serve? Please indicate which Open Space Authority Districts are served (where do the people served by the program live) (check all that apply)

Authority District 1, Authority District 2, Authority District 3, Authority District 4, Authority District 5, Authority District 6, Authority District 7

Project Abstract

The Coyote Creek Trail REC (Recreation and Education Connections) will bring people deeper into nature through recreational and educational activities in the Coyote Creek watershed in Morgan Hill and East San Jose, largely underserved and culturally diverse region of the community. Our free programs will include guided experiences, such as nature walks, geocaching adventures, trail bingo, and bike rides. Our goal is to welcome participants of all ages, abilities, and language groups to explore the creek, connect to the land, and learn how to minimize their environmental impact through their choices.

Project Planning

Describe the proposed project.

Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful (KCCB) has been serving the Coyote Creek watershed communities for over ten years, using a multi-faceted approach to connect people to nature. Through our programs to engage people deeply with nature, we encourage environmental stewardship and well-being. According to the Blue Zones Project (a project introduced in 2024 to San Jose), people are both emotionally happier and physically healthier when they spend time outside and interact with nature and others. Elements of the Blue Zones Power of 9 we will incorporate are: Move Naturally, Downshift, Wine at 5 (or Lunch at 12), Positive Pack, and Belonging.

The Coyote Creek Trail REC (Recreation and Education Connections) will bring people deeper into nature through recreational and educational activities in the Coyote Creek watershed in Morgan Hill and eastern San Jose – a largely underserved and culturally diverse region of the City. Our free programs will include guided experiences, such as nature walks, geocaching adventures, trail bingo, and bike rides. Our goal is to welcome participants of all ages, abilities, and language groups to explore the creek, connect to the land, and learn how to minimize their environmental impact through their choices.

One activity is Trail Bingo Nature Walk where participants of all ages explore the trail while looking for wildlife on their unique bingo cards. Our docents will share why each plant or animal is an important part in the local ecosystem. Staff and volunteer docents, who participate in our successful BioBlitz events, will support small group outings. Also, we plan to engage graduates of the San Jose Conservation Corps' California Naturalist Course to enhance their interpretive and communication skills with community members. This activity features the Downshift Blue Zone concept where participants will slow down and check out nature, which could look like a nature walk, yoga or mindfulness activity. Nature Bingo brings gamification to make the outing more playful.

Our bike rides along the Coyote Creek trail, co-hosted with Save Our Trails, includes educational stops about the current and future trail system, regional history, and wildlife connectivity. The Coyote Creek Trail is mainly flat so it will be accessible for participants of varying abilities. Events will vary in distances to include short family outings near Kelley and Watson parks to feature the new trail segments to longer regional rides to demonstrate car-free options to minimize their carbon footprint. We plan to include time for a "lunch @ 12" per the Blue Zones to encourage interaction among participants. Including these trail rides also promotes active, low-carbon transportation, one aspect of climate resilience.

Geocaching is a scavenger hunt activity that now uses a global phone app that anyone can use anytime. With over 100 geocaches hidden along the Coyote Creek Trail, participants can use the Geocache phone app to hunt for the hidden items, record their finds, and even swap items or leave notes. One of the big benefits of this activity is the serotonin burst that people experience when they find a cache. We'll organize a geocaching group activity in partnership with Geocachers Bay Area, including using the app that has been translated into many languages. Even Scouts now can earn a badge.

Ridge Trail created the "Mind-Nature-Body guided hikes" with a grant from OSA, and they've agreed to let us incorporate this activity into our program. By reusing and adapting this existing resource, we can extend its reach and bring its benefits to the Coyote Creek community. We will customize the activity to apply to the Coyote Creek Trail setting. In collaboration with other groups, we plan to translate and deliver it in Spanish and Vietnamese, the two largest language-speaking groups outside of English.

A key takeaway for participants from REC events is how each individual can protect the local creek habitat and the planet through everyday choices. We combine exploration and environmental learning with physical activity to create lasting and hopeful impressions. As we discuss our personal actions, this Positive Pack concept will encourage people to feel connected to others who want to change their behavior.

We will work with community groups, such as cultural and affinity groups, youth programs, and senior groups, and with agencies like the City of San Jose and Santa Clara County, to further shape these programs. Their input will reflect the interests and needs of the communities who may participate.

Describe key project deliverables and estimated completion dates.

Develop outing guides

We will develop outing guides to support each type of activity (nature walk, bike ride, geocaching, and mindfulness walk). The guides will include ideal participant size, agenda, welcome message, topics covered, instructions for any specific tools or methods to maximize engagement and allow the presenter to add their own content while maintaining some consistency to the activities. The guides will be translated into Spanish and Vietnamese (most common languages besides English) for other groups to use.

Number of guides: 5, including 1 in Spanish and 1 in Vietnamese

Completed: 18 months after start of grant

Number of events and participants

Each event is proposed for 25-35 participants. We plan to host approximately one activity per month once the guides are created and partners have been identified.

Completion: 22 months after start of grant

Nature walk and Trail Bingo (SJCC): 6 events at 3/year * 25pp = 150

Geocache (Geocachers Bay Area): 4 events at 2/year * 25pp = 100

Mind-Nature-Body guided hikes (Viet, Spanish): 8 events at 4/year * 25pp = 200

Bike rides (SOT): 4 events at 2/year * 35pp = 280

Types of Events

Bike

Nature walk

Geocache

Mindfulness walks

Partners list

At least four partners to market and lead events. At least two will provide translation for events to Vietnamese and Spanish.

Completion: 12 months after start of grant

Does this project require permission, permits, or other approvals? If so, please describe the status of these.

The City of San Jose and Santa Clara County Parks manage park usage. We will obtain permits as applicable to use the parkland.

What is the lifetime of this project? If applicable, describe plans for operating and maintaining the project in the future.

Our intent is for this project to be ongoing with continued funding through grants or self-sustaining with a fee.

Describe the project's readiness for implementation.

KCCB is ready to launch the Coyote Creek Trail REC program since many elements of the project are already developed, with only minor adjustments and additions needed. Each activity will include a detailed guide for easy implementation in the field. Our experienced team is fully staffed and has a proven track record of planning and hosting community-based outdoor programs.

We will adapt the Rail Trail's Mind-Nature-Body Guided Hike for use along the Coyote Creek Trail. In collaboration with new partners familiar with KCCB, we will translate the guides into Vietnamese and Spanish to extend access to the two largest non-English language groups in the region. Once finalized and tested, the guides will be shared freely to extend the impact of the project beyond the life of the grant..

The Bike Rides and routes are ready to launch since they have been discussed with Save Our Trails. The guide's materials will be easy to adapt from existing resources.

Nature bingo is an easy-to-develop project using an online generator and our top 20 iNaturalist observations. Working the San Jose Conservation Corps' California Naturalist alumni, we will have fun writing co-creating the guides to not only include wildlife but also geological and historical features into our walks, using readily available documentation from the City of San Jose.

Geocachers Bay Area (GBA) has already identified over 100 existing geocaches along the Coyote Creek Trail. Together, we'll verify their current locations, replace missing caches, and add new ones as needed. GBA's established training program will enable to bring expertise to this activity to engage participants of all skill levels and ensure smooth implementation.

All organizations have strong outreach and communications channels with existing networks, community relationships, and promotional methods already in place. Therefore, marketing and recruitment for participants at the events will be turnkey and streamlined.

By utilizing existing materials, existing successful models, and long-standing partnerships, this project is easy to move forward. Our experienced staff and talented collaborators are ready to implement this project.

Project Budget

Budget Summary - Grant Request & Budget Summary - Matching Funds

Grant request: Personnel

\$46,770.00

Grant request: Contracted Services

\$8,500.00

Grant request: Supplies / Materials

\$4,293.00

Grant request: Other Direct Costs

\$438.00

Grant request: Indirect Costs

\$14,999.00

Total Matching Funds

\$0.00

Total Budget

\$75,000.00

Please upload a detailed version of your budget by accessing the link below:

KCCB Budget - OSA Grant.xlsx

Materials and Budget Template (item #9) found here: <https://www.openspaceauthority.org/programs/grant.html#Materials>

Provide a brief budget narrative to explain the expenses listed in each of the budget categories (e.g. Personnel).

Personnel

KCCB requires the following staff to manage this program:

- Grant Administrator to oversee all aspects of grant administration, including budget, agreements, and financial management.
- Project Manager to manage program development, partnership development, consultants, and scheduling.
- Education coordinator to coordinate education goals, guide development, training, and implementation.
- Event coordinator to coordinate event details, including outreach, pre-, during, and post-event management.
- Media coordinator to create event marketing, onsite and post-event wrap up media.

All positions are currently staffed.

Contractors

To facilitate successful programs, we will partner with the following organizations:

- Save Our Trails to co-organize four bike rides.
- San Jose Conservation Corps as employer of record to provide California Naturalist alumni for six nature walk events.
- An Ton Meditation Center to provide Vietnamese translation, event outreach and leadership for up to 4 Mind-Nature-Body guided hikes.
- Geocachers Bay Area to provide geocachers to participate in two geocaching events, including ensuring caches are active.
- TBD to provide Spanish translation, event outreach and leadership for 4 Mind-Nature-Body guided hikes.

Direct

Our direct costs are mileage for staff to and from events, printing for event flyers and event materials, office supplies, snacks for after the events, especially to support the "lunch at 12" following the bike rides, buttons for participants, and t-shirts for event leaders.

Award Amount: The Board reserves the right to award partial funding on projects. If your project were to receive partial funding, what would this mean for your project?

Based on reduced funding, we would reduce the number of events we host by \$3000 each, which includes staff and contractor time, and materials needed for the event.

Project Goals

Describe the specific problems, issues, or unserved needs the project will address.

The Coyote Creek Trail REC project addresses health, environmental, and social challenges affecting families living within the Morgan Hill and eastern San Jose region of the Coyote Creek watershed. The Ignite San Jose Blue Zones project (<https://www.bluezones.com/ignite-san-jose/>) primarily addresses food, transportation and public health for youth and their families in San Jose. Expanding on these principles, the Coyote Creek Trail REC project will inspire community health benefits through nature-based recreation, such as biking, walking and yoga.

Residents in these geographic regions, many who speak Spanish and Vietnamese, live in neighborhoods with a distinct lack of tree canopy, fewer quality parks, and limited access to nature. Many census tracts rank 75 or higher on the CalEnviroScreen, which indicates significant exposure to pollution and associated health and social factors.

Looking at the City of San Jose’s Park Condition Assessment, most district parks meet a high standard for the park condition score (PCA), but members in our focus communities reside in low Healthy Places Index (HPI) zones (<https://www.arcgis.com/apps/instant/portfolio/index.html?appid=711fc982a1f04933a1629811b37aeb2e>). Our project aims to address this inequity as we activate trails and parks while conducting outreach to those most impacted by low HPI values.

Educational disparities in these areas have received some assistance from KCCB through our school-based education offerings, including those supported by a previous OSA grant. As we teach students about the Coyote Creek watershed and ecology, their curiosity and enthusiasm for learning about the watershed gives us an opportunity to engage students beyond the classroom. The Coyote Creek REC project creates these opportunities for youth and their families to further foster lifelong connections to nature.

The City of San Jose’s 2024 Children and Youth Services Master Plan (CYS Master Plan) outlines a strategic roadmap that focuses on “improved health outcomes, and economic mobility for children, youth, and young adults.” Our project supports families and kids to join the movement to experience nature, not just see it as a luxury, but essential to daily living. Through biking, walking, yoga, and guided nature experiences, we support these goals. And, to advance them, we have included partner organizations such as the San Jose Conservation Corps’s California Naturalist Course, An Ton Meditation Center, and Save Our Trails to expand program reach and impact. By providing bilingual activities, our focus communities will be included.

Overall, this project aims to reduce some aspects of the disparity of poor health and limited access to quality parkland. The Coyote Creek Trail is a resource for all to use for health, wellness, empowerment for our collective futures. By increasing awareness and use of the trail, we hope to build a cadre of local environmental stewards in some of San Jose’s most underserved neighborhoods.

How does this project serve the community?

Number of people served

800

Number of youth served

200

Number of programs provided

20

Other Grantee Goal #1 (optional)

Number of types of events

4

Other Grantee Goal #2 (optional)

Languages served

English, Spanish, Vietnamese

Impact

Describe the lasting impact of the project. Please include whether the program is open to the public and whether any materials developed will be available to the public.

As a community-based organization, our programs are open to the general public. The Coyote Creek Trail REC project is designed to engage entire families with meaningful outdoor experiences to promote health, connection, and environmental stewardship. Each activity offers a different avenue for participants to experience nature: family-friendly bike rides; Nature Bingo gamifies nature watching that is exciting for children; guided nature walks incorporate the whole person and mindfulness; and geocaching extends outdoor adventure as a mobile game.

Through these activities, participants gain an appreciation for parks and trails along Coyote Creek, encouraging them to participate in other nature-inspired venues. Our positive, repeatable outdoor experiences close to people's home creates potential for lifelong connections to nature.

One of the long-term impacts are our publicly available guides. We'll be adapting the Ridge Trail's Mind-Nature-Body guide for Coyote Creek and offer translations in Vietnamese and Spanish to serve our diverse community. These guides will be available on our website for anyone to use. Additionally, we will write docent guides to implement the activities for a consistent, high-quality facilitation across events. Additionally, Nature Bingo will be available as a separate document so that families, educators, and community groups may use them.

Finally, the project's lasting impact is the strengthened relationship between community members and nature. As participants become more familiar with the Coyote Creek Trail and its adjacent parks, we will encourage them to continue to participate with us at creek cleanups, restoration, or BioBlitz events. These connections will create a healthier and more connected community that is environmentally aware and will take action to steward it.

Climate Resilience

How does this project enhance and/or raise awareness about climate resilience? Please include any metrics that can be used to help quantify or understand the climate benefits of the project.

The Coyote Creek Trail REC project supports climate resilience by helping community members understand, experience, and care about their local environment through recreation and education. As participants engage their minds and bodies in our outdoor activities, they will learn about the connections between personal health, community wellbeing, and a healthy natural environment.

To instill a sense of connection to climate resilience, we first need to bring awareness to the topic. Our docent activity guides will include terms and concepts that link nature with climate awareness that emphasize a sense of hope for our future. Watershed and climate topics include habitat restoration, biodiversity, and sustainable land and water. As participants connect their minds and bodies to nature, they see how healthy local ecosystems like Coyote Creek help mitigate climate impacts by reducing urban heat, capturing carbon, and managing stormwater. Our full range of activities include creek cleanups, planting trees and plants, and park maintenance.

The project directly engages participants in active, low-carbon transportation, such as biking and walking along the Coyote Creek Trail, which helps reduce greenhouse gas emissions and models sustainable mobility choices, consistent with the Children and Youth Services Master Plan and Blue Zones. Our hands-on activities will give participants an opportunity to explore how individual actions, such as litter prevention, water conservation, and habitat restoration can build long-term environmental resilience and local stewardship. We invite them to join us in our full complement of additional activities.

Overall, the project addresses climate resilience by combining recreation, education, and community engagement to reduce environmental impact, build knowledge, and empower participants to be proactive stewards of their local ecosystem. By grounding climate learning in direct experience, the project cultivates both a sense of responsibility and optimism for a sustainable and resilient future. Together, we can make positive changes for nature and our planet.

Community Engagement / Stakeholder Support / Community Building

Describe the community support and/or community engagement process. Please upload any community support letters in the Documents Upload section below.

Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful has been an active and trusted community member for over a decade, connecting organizations and thousands of individuals to nature through our diverse events. This effort has built strong and diverse community partner relationships, including public agencies, community groups, agencies, and volunteer groups what will form the foundation of this project.

Throughout our years of work, we have consistently sought input from community members and partners organizations to guide how our activities have informed the educational and recreational aspects of this project. We have collaborated on creek cleanups and BioBlitz events that resulted in strong local interest in hands-on, family-friendly activities that make a tangible difference in our community.

We continue that spirit as we adapt materials from Ridge Trail for use along the Coyote Creek Trail. As we work with Vietnamese- and Spanish-speaking communities, we have an opportunity to incorporate cultural perspectives about nature and ensure program materials and activities are linguistically inclusive and locally meaningful.

Schools play an important role in our engagement process. Through our classroom programs, such as our interactive performance presentation Scout's Adventure to Coyote Creek, students learn about the Coyote Creek watershed, and we follow our presentations with invitations to families trail activities. KCCB, educators, and families ensure that the project is rooted in community priorities and accessible to people of all ages and backgrounds.

Underserved Communities

Describe how the project addresses open space needs for sensitive populations such as residents of park-poor neighborhoods, underserved, or disadvantaged communities, youth, seniors, persons with disabilities, or is located within an under-resourced community.

The Coyote Creek Trail REC project serves underserved populations in the Coyote Creek watershed, including residents of park-poor neighborhoods, youth, seniors, and linguistically diverse communities, primarily Spanish- and Vietnamese-speaking. Per high ranking (75+) CalEnviroScreen scores and low Healthy Places Index zones, these neighborhoods tend to have limited tree canopy, lower quality parks, and low access to nature. By offering activities along the Coyote Creek Trail with family-friendly programming, such as nature walks, biking, and geocaching, the project provides equitable access to nature to promote health, wellbeing, and stewardship.

Additionally, the project offers meaningful job training and skills development for graduates of the San Jose Conservation Corps' California Naturalist Course who will gain experience in environmental education, program facilitation, and community outreach. By co-facilitation these activities, these alumni will build leadership, interpretation, communication, and ecological knowledge, preparing them for future careers in conservation, education, and recreation management. And, by extension, youth who see people who look like them tend to become more aware of their own opportunities for their future.

This project connects a diverse set of participants to nature in various ways so that they can find pathways for future growth in nature, whether access to open space, participation in litter cleanup events or restoration, or future jobs in green fields.

Organizational Capacity

Briefly describe the organization and its ability to successfully implement this project. This might include successful past projects, key staff qualifications, financial resources, etc.

KCCB has been working with agencies as a trusted partner for over a decade, successfully managing grants and implementing programs that connect people to nature. Since 2017, KCCB has been awarded four OSA grants, starting with the Coyote Meadows Concept Plan. Subsequent grants included in-person BioBlitz events, then virtual Nature Explorations during the Covid-pandemic. Our most recent grant was to develop environmental education materials for use in school presentations and community outreach events.

Over the years, KCCB has managed grants ranging from \$10,000 to \$140,000, consistently meeting and often exceeding goals with award-winning results. Our funding has come from public agencies, corporate foundations, and the City of San Jose. Our success demonstrates our ability to responsibly manage funds, deliver high-quality program, and sustain community engagement, leading to future grants.

The KCCB team brings extensive expertise in grant management, program development, community engagement, program implementation, and partner collaboration. We have the skills and experience to effectively implement every aspect of this project.

Leadership & Innovation

Describe how this project employs innovative approaches or encourages collaboration and partnerships.

This project demonstrates innovation by integrating nature-based recreation, environment education, and community engagement into a single program that serves underserved neighborhoods in the Coyote Creek watershed. By leveraging existing materials and adapting them for the Coyote Creek Trail, the project efficiently utilizes proven content while adapting it for local ecosystems and culturally diverse communities. By offering translation to and delivering programs in Spanish and Vietnamese, we ensure accessibility and inclusivity, making this approach both innovative and community-centered.

The activities we undertake promote climate resilience and healthy living. Biking and walking are low-carbon exercises that will integrate urban nature. The activity guides will include how nature supports environmental health, stormwater management, and biodiversity, along with what participants can do after the activities. By gamifying nature exploration through geocaching and Nature Bingo, we introduce new methods for families and youth to engage with nature, combining learning with physical activity.

Collaboration with our partners San Jose Conservation Corp, Ridge Trail, Save Our Trails, and Geocachers Bay Area allows us to co-facilitate programs, cross-train docents, and integrate community perspectives. And, our Spanish- and Vietnamese-speaking partners will allow our efforts to be extended into new communities who may be underserved. These partnerships will not only strengthen program delivery but will also build leadership capacity across all our organizations, sharing skills in environmental education, interpretation, and community outreach.

These innovative approaches, combined with strong, multi-sector collaboration, will ensure the Coyote Creek Trail REC project serves as a model for inclusive, educational, and climate-resilient programming in urban park and trail settings.

Documents Section

Document Uploads (please combine into one file if possible)

Letters of Support.pdf

Additional files (if needed)

Activity Documents.pdf

Additional files (if needed)

Submitted Date - Internal

Summary Field:

Name: Average Score (no bonus)

Form: Staff Review

Summary Type: average

Field: Base Score Total

Decimal: 2

Currency: No

Description/Help Text: NONE

Short Name: NONE

Field Purpose: NONE

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Summary Field:

Name: Total Count of Submitted Reviews

Form: Staff Review

Summary Type: count

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Currency: No

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Program Application: File Attachments

Please upload a detailed version of your budget by accessing the link below:

KCCB Budget - OSA Grant.xlsx

Document Uploads (please combine into one file if possible)

Letters of Support.pdf

Additional files (if needed)

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KCCB Budget

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PROJECT BUDGET

Highlighted cells are automatically calculated.

PROJECT

Project Name: Coyote Creek Trail Recreation and Education Connections (CCT REC)
Organization: Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful

PERSONNEL

Estimate employee and volunteer time directly related to the project. Hourly rates for employees can include salary plus fringe benefits, payroll tax, etc, but can not include indirect costs. Note: please list position titles only.

Position Title	Item	Request (\$)	Funds (\$)	Total
Grant Administrator	96.5 hours @ \$70/hr.	\$ 6,755.00		\$ 6,755.00
Project Manager	238 hours @ \$70/hr.	\$ 16,660.00		\$ 16,660.00
Education Coordinator	240 hours @ \$45/hr.	\$ 10,800.00		\$ 10,800.00
Event Coordinator	225 hours @ \$45/hr.	\$ 10,125.00		\$ 10,125.00
Media Coordinator	54 hours @ \$45/hr.	\$ 2,430.00		\$ 2,430.00
				\$ -
TOTAL PERSONNEL		###	\$ -	###

SERVICES

Labor, supplies, and materials to be provided by consultants/contractors for project implementation.

Item	Item	Request (\$)	Funds (\$)	Total
Save Our Trails	Co-organize bike rides,	\$ 800.00		\$ 800.00
San Jose Conservation Corps	California Naturalist Alumni	\$ 4,800.00		\$ 4,800.00
An Ton Meditation	Vietnamese translation;	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00
An Ton Meditation	Vietnamese/English	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00
[TBD]	Spanish translation: \$200	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00
[TBD]	Spanish/English event	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 1,000.00
Geocaching Bay Area	Geocachers to participate	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00

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				\$ -
TOTAL CONTRACTED SERVICES		\$ 8,500.00	\$ -	\$ 8,500.00
MATERIALS				
Supplies and materials that are <u>directly related</u> to the project.				
Item	Item	Request (\$)	Funds (\$)	Total
Printing	Print flyers and materials,	\$ 2,343.00		\$ 2,343.00
Office supplies	Pens, paper, etc	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00
Snacks	Snacks for participants	\$ 500.00		\$ 500.00
Buttons	Buttons and associated	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00
T-shirts	Event team leader shirts	\$ 750.00		\$ 750.00
				\$ -
TOTAL SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS		\$ 4,293.00	\$ -	\$ 4,293.00
COSTS				
Other direct costs that are <u>directly related</u> to the project. This might include travel, service fees for fiscal sponsorship, or newly-acquired equipment.				
Item	Item	Request (\$)	Funds (\$)	Total
Employee travel	events	\$ 438.00		\$ 438.00
				\$ -
TOTAL OTHER DIRECT COSTS		\$ 438.00	\$ -	\$ 438.00
INDIRECT COSTS				
Indirect costs are eligible for grant funding only for 501(c)(3) Nonprofits and are <u>limited to 20%</u> of grant funding. Indirect costs cannot be counted as matching funds.				
Item	Item	Request (\$)	Funds (\$)	Total
20% Administrative overhead for Nonprofits		\$ 14,999.00	n/a	\$ 14,999.00
TOTAL INDIRECT COSTS		###	n/a	###

KCCB Budget

PERCENT OF GRANT REQUEST		20.0%	n/a	n/a
GRAND TOTAL				
		Request (\$)	Funds (\$)	Total
TOTALS		###	\$ -	###
				###
COST SHARE				
				Funds (%)
A minimum of 25% of grant request in matching funds may be required. This fee				0.0%
MATCHING FUNDS				
Please describe the source of matching funds listed above. The total matching funds listed here should match the total matching funds listed under Grand Total above. This might include cash match (e.g. grantee's own funds, donations, grants, etc) or in-kind match (non-cash contribution such as volunteer time).				
Source	Description	kind)	Pending)	Funds (\$)
TOTAL MATCHING FUNDS				\$ -



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October 10, 2025

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To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of An Ton Meditation Center, we are honored to offer our support for the Coyote Creek Trail REC (Recreation and Education Connections) program.

This thoughtful initiative will bring people deeper into nature through recreational and educational activities along the Coyote Creek Watershed in Morgan Hill and East San José — a culturally diverse and historically underserved area of our community. We are inspired by the program's vision to make the outdoors welcoming and accessible for people of all ages, abilities, and language groups through engaging activities such as guided nature walks, geocaching adventures, trail bingo, and bike rides.



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MINDFULNESS-WISDOM-CULTIVATION

We are especially pleased to learn that the program will incorporate the “Mind-Body-Nature guided hikes” originally created by the Ridge Trail with support from an OSA grant. Adapting and expanding this existing resource will allow even more people to experience the connection between mindfulness, physical activity, and the natural world. The planned collaboration to translate and deliver the activity in English, Spanish and Vietnamese further reflects the inclusivity and community spirit that align deeply with the values of An Ton Meditation Center.

Our Center is committed to Promoting mindfulness, Cultivation and Wisdom, to create harmony with nature and community. We believe that the Coyote Creek Trail REC program embodies these principles by helping individuals connect to the land, care for the environment, and discover peace through mindfulness and awareness. We look forward to supporting this meaningful effort and encouraging our members and volunteers to participate in these community-based experiences.

With gratitude and respect,

Ven. Thich Phap Hanh

Chief of Operations

An Ton Meditation Center

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October 14, 2025

Open Space Authority
San Francisco Bay Area
33 Las Colinas Lane
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Dear Grant Review Committee,

I am pleased to offer my strong support for Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful's grant application to the Open Space Authority in support of the Coyote Creek Trail REC (Recreation and Education Connections) program. This innovative and community-centered initiative will bring residents deeper into nature through inclusive, free recreational and educational experiences in the Coyote Creek watershed—an area that includes East San José and Morgan Hill, both rich in cultural diversity and in need of greater access to environmental programming.

As the Councilmember representing District 7 in the City of San José, I recognize the urgent need to connect our residents—across all ages, abilities, and language groups—with the natural spaces that surround them. Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful has a proven record of engaging the community through hands-on stewardship, education, and outreach. The Trail REC program expands on this foundation by offering guided nature walks, geocaching adventures, trail bingo, and community bike rides—all designed to be welcoming, fun, and educational.

This program will play a critical role in helping participants form personal connections with the Coyote Creek watershed while learning how to reduce their environmental impact. Just as importantly, it addresses barriers to access by providing free, culturally responsive programming in neighborhoods that have traditionally been underserved when it comes to open space engagement and environmental education. This is especially needed in District 7, where many families face economic and linguistic barriers to accessing nature-based experiences. Bringing these opportunities directly into our community ensures that residents—regardless of background—can benefit from the physical, mental, and educational value of time spent outdoors.



Office of Councilmember Bien Doan

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I wholeheartedly support Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful's application and respectfully urge the Open Space Authority to fund this important program. It represents a meaningful investment in both our natural resources and the well-being of our diverse communities.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

Councilmember Bien Doan
District 7, City of San José



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Mon, Oct 6, 2025 at 12:06 PM

Deb Kramer
Executive Director
Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful

Hi Deb,

Regarding your email of 10/3/2025 where you suggest having the Geocachers Bay Area (GBA) "partnering in the Coyote Creek Trail REC (Recreation and Education Connections) to host geocaching-oriented events or teach it to a small group to implement? I've written the grant for 2 events over the 2-years of the grant, and allocated \$250/event as a stipend."

The GBA would be happy to host at least 2 events over the 2 years of the grant. We would not require a stipend for this. I'm not sure how you would do the outreach part to the general community to get them interested but I'm guessing other REC activities may need similar kinds "advertising" so this may be being handled or planned for.

Regards, Richard Ragan
President, Geocachers Bay Area

[Quoted text hidden]

October 7, 2025

Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority
Education Grants Program

re: support for the “Coyote Creek Trail Recreation and Education Connections (REC)” application

Dear Grants Administrator,

I am writing in support of the grant proposal by Deb Kramer at Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful (KCCB). Ms. Kramer is applying for a grant for the “Coyote Creek Trail Recreation and Education Connections (REC)” project. This project is designed to bring people together with recreational and educational activities in the Coyote Creek watershed in Morgan Hill and East San José so as to gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of nature. The free programs will serve a largely underserved and culturally diverse region with guided experiences such as guided nature walks and bike rides.

I personally have gone on a number of guided walks and rides when visiting other cities, such as Amsterdam, Buenos Aires, and Copenhagen, and I have learned a lot about those areas. I also have gone on guided tours locally, and even after years of living here I still managed to learn things that I had not previously discovered. And I have helped lead a number of guided bike tours locally, including for KCCB in conjunction with Save Our Trails – and, if this application is granted, I’ve agreed to help guide some more. Bike tours are great as they accommodate folks of all ages, abilities, and languages as they learn about the creek and its connection to the land.

I urge you to approve this grant application.

Thank you,



Lawrence Ames,
longtime trail, park, environmental, community, and historic preservation advocate.

Save Our Trails!



Promoting trails in Santa Clara County for the benefit and enjoyment of all

October 7, 2025

Ms. Caroline Hernandez
Clerk of the Board
Open Space Authority

Subject: Letter of Support for Education Grant Application: Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful - Coyote Creek Trail Recreation and Education Connections (REC)

Dear Members of the Board of Directors:

Save Our Trails: Connecting Santa Clara County Communities is a California Not-for-Profit Corporation whose mission is *“To promote trails in Santa Clara County for the benefit and enjoyment of all.”* **Save Our Trails** wishes to voice our support for Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful (KCCB)’s application for Open Space Authority’s 2025 Education Grant funding. KCCB’s yearslong track record of stewarding the Coyote Creek corridor has increased access to and familiarity with the outdoors, particularly in underserved communities in Santa Clara County.

The current grant proposal, the Coyote Creek Trail Recreation and Education Connections (REC) will bring people deeper into nature through recreational and educational activities in the Coyote Creek watershed in Morgan Hill and East San Jose – largely underserved and culturally diverse regions of the County. The free programs will include guided experiences, such as guided nature walks, geocaching adventures, trail bingo, and bike rides. The goal is to welcome participants of all ages, abilities, and language groups to explore the creek, connect to the land, and learn how to minimize their environmental impact through their choices.

The bike ride elements of the program, consisting of rides of varying lengths and showcasing new trail segments near Watson and Kelley Parks, are designed to be accessible for a diverse range of abilities, ages, and experience levels. They will feature Blue Zones-inspired “lunch @ 12” elements to encourage socialization between participants, will be co-hosted with Save Our Trails and will include educational stops about the current and future trail system, regional history, and wildlife connectivity.

We find this proposal worthy of the support of the Open Space Authority, and strongly recommend it be fully funded with OSA Education Grant funds!

Sincerely,

Bill Rankin
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October 2, 2025

Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority
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Dear Grants Review Panel:

On behalf of the San Jose Conservation Corps and Charter School (SJCC+CS), I am pleased to voice strong support for Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful's application to the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority's Urban Grant Program.

Through the proposed Coyote Creek Trail REC (Recreation and Education Connections) Project, Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful will support SJCC+CS and the development of our corpsmembers by engaging our California Naturalist graduates with the Trail Bingo Nature Walk activity. This opportunity will allow corpsmembers who have graduated from our California Naturalist course to enhance their interpretive and communication skills while interacting with community members of all ages, while providing no-cost opportunities for community members to explore the creek, connect to the land, and learn how to minimize their environmental impact.

The SJCC+CS is a non-profit organization that provides youth from the ages of 17 ½ - 27 with a quality high school education and teaches valuable work and life skills that empower them to become responsible, productive, and caring citizens. Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful has partnered with the SJCC+CS for the past five years, co-hosting creek clean-ups and providing our corpsmembers with professional development opportunities to assist in the coordination and execution of Bioblitz events.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful on this important project should it receive funding. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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City Loop Trail tour
June 22, 2019

Welcome.

Introductions; thanks.

Purpose of the tour is to get an on-the-ground feel for the possible City Loop Trail.

Some is already built; some will need community support to implement.

This tour today is of the mainly yet-to-be-built southern part.

route map: <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/29110603>

(you can download the route to your cell-phone so you won't get lost: click the orange "share to phone" button.)

Rules of the road

- wear helmet; sign liability release form; obey the traffic laws.
- stop for red lights; we'll wait for you
- total trip is about 11 miles, mostly level. Going at a leisurely pace and including breaks and lunch, expect about 3 hrs total.
- Our tour involves on-street riding, off-street unpaved trails, sidewalks, and crossing an unused wooden train trestle.

Start: Five Wounds Church, Santa Clara St. at 28th.

We start at the heart of this area, the Portuguese Community, and the namesake for the trail.

[Note: since this is the southern half of the full loop trail, the note markers start here at 25...]

25. The Western Pacific Railroad

Trains first came to SJ in 1864, and soon the area was connected to SF, Oakland, LA, and the East.

Area was "The Valley of Heart's Delight" with valley filled with plum and apricot orchards.

Trains provided means to get produce to market.

Area served only by one company: Southern Pacific, who exercised a monopoly on the region.

Local agriculture interests got T.S.Montgomery, one of the richest people in SJ, to get on the Board of a rival railroad, Western Pacific, and to get them to bring their service to SJ.

These tracks connected SJ to the existing WP tracks at Niles Canyon w/ connections to Oakland and also the East, and thereby broke the monopoly held by Southern Pacific.

We will be following the former WP alignment for most of the rest of this tour.

This portion of the ROW is to be the future BART alignment, underground here: we've been promised a trail once the BART tracks are built (north to Watson Park?)

> S on 28th St., then W on San Antonio St. to 24th St.

26. (shortcut)

When we finish, we will return on this Loop Trail "shortcut" from the Diridon Station.

For now, we continue the tour:

> S on 24th St.; W on Williams St.

27. The Five Wounds Trail

Part of the trail is built: it is the oversized sidewalk on the east side of 22nd St.

This housing complex and an adjacent but unconnected development to the west were both built on the former WP rail switchyard.

> Follow trail on sidewalk.

>Careful< there is a PG&E support-guywire in the middle of the sidewalk.

28. Coyote Creek Dog Park

This is the end of the paved 5-Wounds Trail – and also the end of “bypass” around the “unbuildable” section of the Coyote Creek Trail.

The Coyote Creek exists in this area, running from William St, thru the Selma Olinder Park and past this dog park, south to I-280. It is planned to be extended under I-280 and on to Story Rd this year, and can readily be extended southward to Tully Rd., where it would connect to the existing Coyote Crk Trail that now goes all the way to Morgan Hill.

> Follow the dirt trail S along the WP ROW under I-280. Note the width of the undercrossing: the freeway was built over a then-operational WP switchyard.

29. Coyote Meadows

This 50 acre city-owned site would make a great park! (For more information, see www.coyotemeadowssj.org. The landfills and former clay pits for the nearby Remillard brickyard could be capped and would provide great overlook views of downtown and the valley’s surrounding mountains. The antenna array is soon to be upgraded, replacing the guywire-supported structures with freestanding unipoles – thereby freeing up future parkland. This area is not suitable for other development, as it is in the floodplain, and was underwater during the Feb 2017 floods.

> Continue S on dirt trail.

30. Coyote Creek Trestle

Trestle is 260’ long and 36’ high, built in 1922; one of two remaining trestles on SJ’s WP alignment. (The other is the WG Trestle over the Los Gatos).

Trestle crosses over the (future) Coyote Creek Trail.

This marks the end of the Five Wounds Trail and the start of the Three Creeks Trail, which will connect the Coyote Creek (here), the Guadalupe River, and the Los Gatos Creek (in Willow Glen).

> Cross the trestle.

>Careful< hold on to the handrail guywire for support if needed.

> Cross Story Rd and stay on eastern sidewalk of Senter Rd.

31. Kelley Park

Park is home to Happy Hollow Zoo, Japanese Tea Garden, History Park, fields, trails, and picnic gardens. WP ROW is strip of land on west side of Senter: should Three Creeks Trail go there, or use this sidewalk?

> Continue S on eastside sidewalk.

32. SJ Giants Stadium

WP ROW wraps around stadium and heads SW. Large triangular plot of land, prime for sale & development: need to preserve easement for future trail.

> Continue S on sidewalk; turn right and go SW on Phelan. Cross Hwy and walk N along west-side sidewalk. Turn left (W) on Bellevue.

33. Bellevue

A small, new park in an underserved area. The WP ROW could contribute significantly to the park, increasing both its size and its accessibility.

33a. Restroom stop

> W on Bellevue; S on Pomona; W on San José Ave; N on Little Orchard.

>Careful< San José Ave is narrow and busy.

34. Stucco Supply

Stucco Supply bought a portion of the WP ROW in 2009 to enlarge their operations: improved access from Almaden on the west, and larger parking area.

They also constructed a storage facility. Upon pressure from trail community, city required that the building be designed to be cheap and easily removed so that it might be feasible to develop a trail alignment at some future time.

Note: this portion of the Three Creeks Trail goes thru an industrial area, but there is a residential area quite nearby. Also, while some of the current industrial buildings do not enhance the ambiance of the trail, they are likely to be replaced over the years, and the new buildings can be configured to have employee patios facing the trail rather than the waste bins.

> S on Little Orchard; W on San José, N on east-side shoulder of Almaden.

35. WP ROW at Almaden

Look E and see why Stucco Supply wanted ROW for access. (There may be sufficient room for both driveway and a future trail.)

> wait for traffic light, then go W across Almaden Expwy.

35a. WP ROW at 87

Look W and see Fwy 87, w/ bridge over former WP tracks.

CalTrain (and future High Speed Rail) tracks run parallel to Fwy at grade level: need some way for Three Creeks Trail to cross 87 and train tracks. One option: a fancy elevated fly-over structure. Another option: from other side, cross under 87, head S and ramp up the embankment, have short bridge across tracks, and then head N and ramp down to grade within the CalTrain ROW.

> S on Almaden Rd.

36. Old Almaden Rd. undercrossing

This is a section of the old Almaden Rd, prior to the expressway. It features one of the original 1936 Southern Pacific grade separations. (See "Touring Historic Willow Glen" for how Town of Willow Glen sued Southern Pacific for grade separations -- a battle that went to the US Supreme Court.)

> S on Almaden Rd (crossing under CalTrain, Fwy 87, Light Rail, and the 87 bike path); W on Willow Glen Way (and cross the Guadalupe River); N on Creek Dr.

37. Access?

Where Creek bends to W become Padres Dr is a SCVWD parcel, the other side of which is the eastern dead end of the presently-built Three Creeks Trail: a gate would connect to the trail. Just E of there is the RR crossing of the Guadalupe: the bridge is not fancy: it could be adapted or replaced as may be easier.

> W on Padres Dr, N on Hervey Lane.

38. Three Creeks Trail

Falcon Place Townhomes were built on a segment of the WP ROW. The Three Creeks Trail E of here is the oversized sidewalk on the south side.

> Cross Falcon and go NW on 3-Crks Trail. Cross Minnesota at light, continue to Bird.

39. Bird/Willow zigzag

The WP tracks cut an awkward diagonal across this intersection. Pedestrians should follow the (narrow!) sidewalk N to Willow, cross both Willow and Bird at the lights, then find the trail at the “water-tower” landmark. Cyclists can zigzag, utilizing the left-turn lane on Bird.

> Cross Willow and Bird, and continue on 3-Crks Trail.

40. Iris Garden

This patch of iris is to remember the Maryott's Iris Garden, which, a quarter-century ago, bred bearded iris. Land was later developed into housing.

> Continue to and across Coe

41. The WG Trestle

The Western Pacific crossed the WG Trestle, built in 1922, to reach WP's San José Depot on The Alameda at Bush St. (just west of the Diridon Station) and thereby broke Southern Pacific's monopoly of San José. The trestle is listed in the California Register of Historical Resources. The question is whether to restore the trestle and adapt it for trail use, or demolish it and replace it with a modern steel prefab bridge. (Or is a compromise combination possible?)

> S on 3-Crks Trail; W on Coe; N on Lincoln (near the historic Roberto-Suñol adobe); E on Lonus.

42. Los Gatos Creek Trail

The 3-Crks Trail ends at the junction with the Los Gatos Creek Trail. LG Trail is planned to loop on a creekside embankment behind the commercial lot. For now, access the LG Crk Trail from a spur trail at the bend in Lonus.

> N on LG Crk Trail, under I-280, across Home St. and Auzerais, to San Carlos St.

43. CalTrain Bridge

CalTrain recently replaced their train bridge over the LG Crk. It has been designed to have adequate clearance for the planned extension of the LG Crk Trail: it is to ramp down near San Carlos and under the northern end of the bridge.

> N to San Carlos; W to the Light Rail tracks

44. shortcut to Diridon

Not part of this tour, but if you're taking the trail to Diridon, this is a shortcut: under the San Carlos bridge and N on Dupont, N on McEvoy, cross Park to Laurel Grove, cross the Light Rail Tracks and enter the Diridon Station via the track-access tunnel from the west side.

45. Diridon overview

> W on San Carlos to end of bridge, then walk on the south-side sidewalk to top of bridge: get view to south of the new CalTrain bridge, and see how LG Crk Trail can ramp down and under. Look north at Diridon Station: imagine HSR's aerial alignment, and image area redeveloped by Google. Los Gatos Crk Trail is planned to be on northern bank of LG Crk around the former Fire Training Facility.
> E on San Carlos; N on Montgomery.

46. Park/Montgomery

The LG Crk is in a pair of culverts, each $17 \times 22-1/2'$, beneath this intersection: it was buried a half-century ago in order to ease traffic flow. The community is working with Google, city, and water district on concepts for "daylighting" the creek and re-creating a more natural creek channel (with trail continuity!) as part of the area's redevelopment.

> N on Montgomery → Autumn; W on San Fernando; N on Cahill St.

47. Diridon

Historic structure (1936)

Major transit hub: CalTrain, Amtrak, ACE & Cap. Corridor, Light Rail, Bus

Big plans: BART & High Speed Rail; connection to SJC Airport? Google!

Broad plaza / walkway at main entrance; only extends 1 block: extend to Downtown & SJSU?

> Go east, jog N to get on sidewalk, go thru Light Rail Station.

48. LG Crk

Natural riparian habitat.

Chinook salmon swim in from the Bay, past here, and up to Campbell to spawn.

Opportunity to enhance area as it develops: create trails and trailside amenities/attractions.

> back W to Autumn, and S on sidewalk

49. Poor House Bistro

[Optional] Lunch break. Unwind and discuss the tour

50. San Fernando Bikeway

Return to Five Wounds Church via San Fernando Bikeway.

> E on San Fernando, S on 16th, E on San Antonio, S on 17th, E on San Fernando, N on 28th.

End

You're back at the starting point.

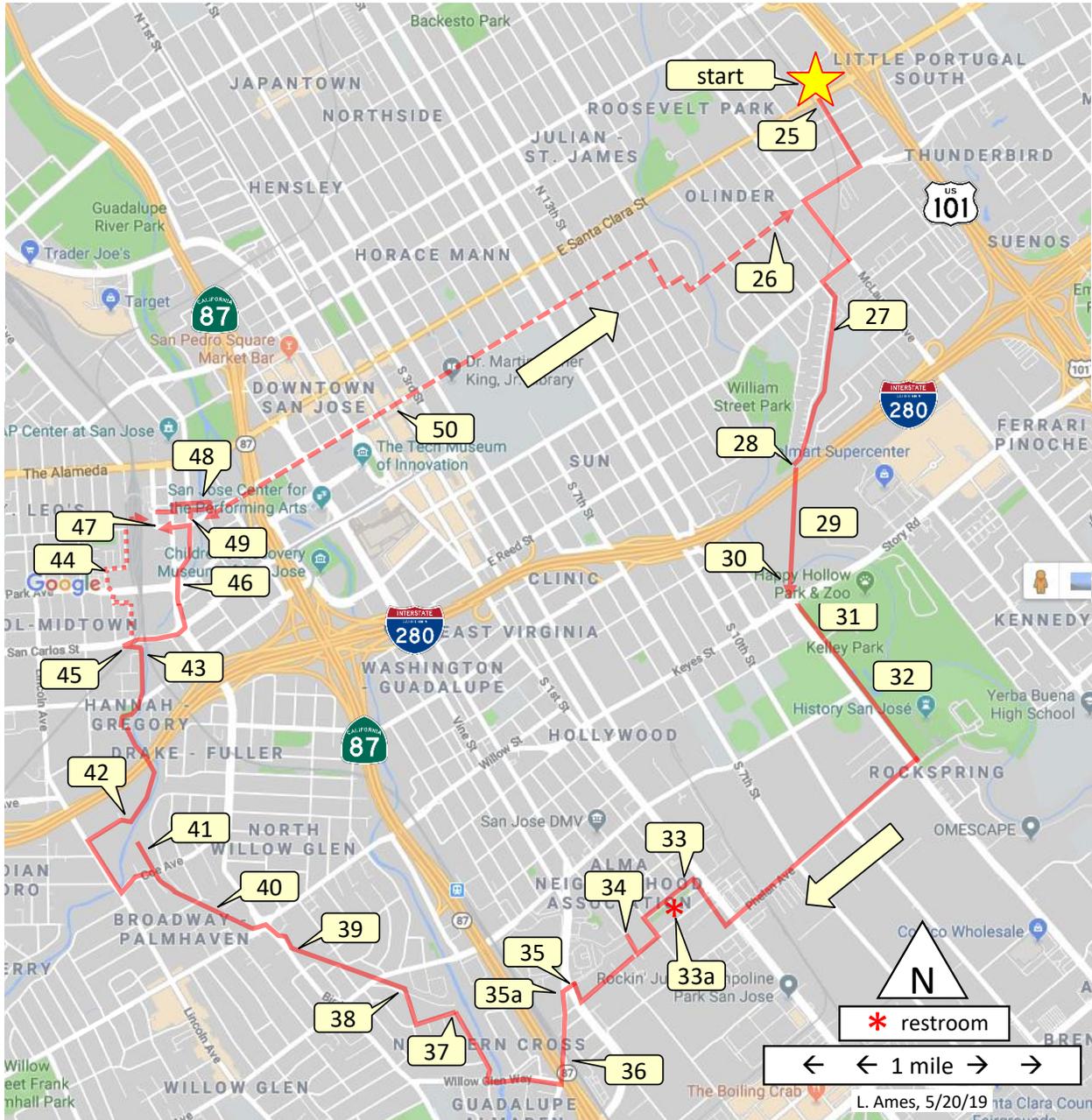
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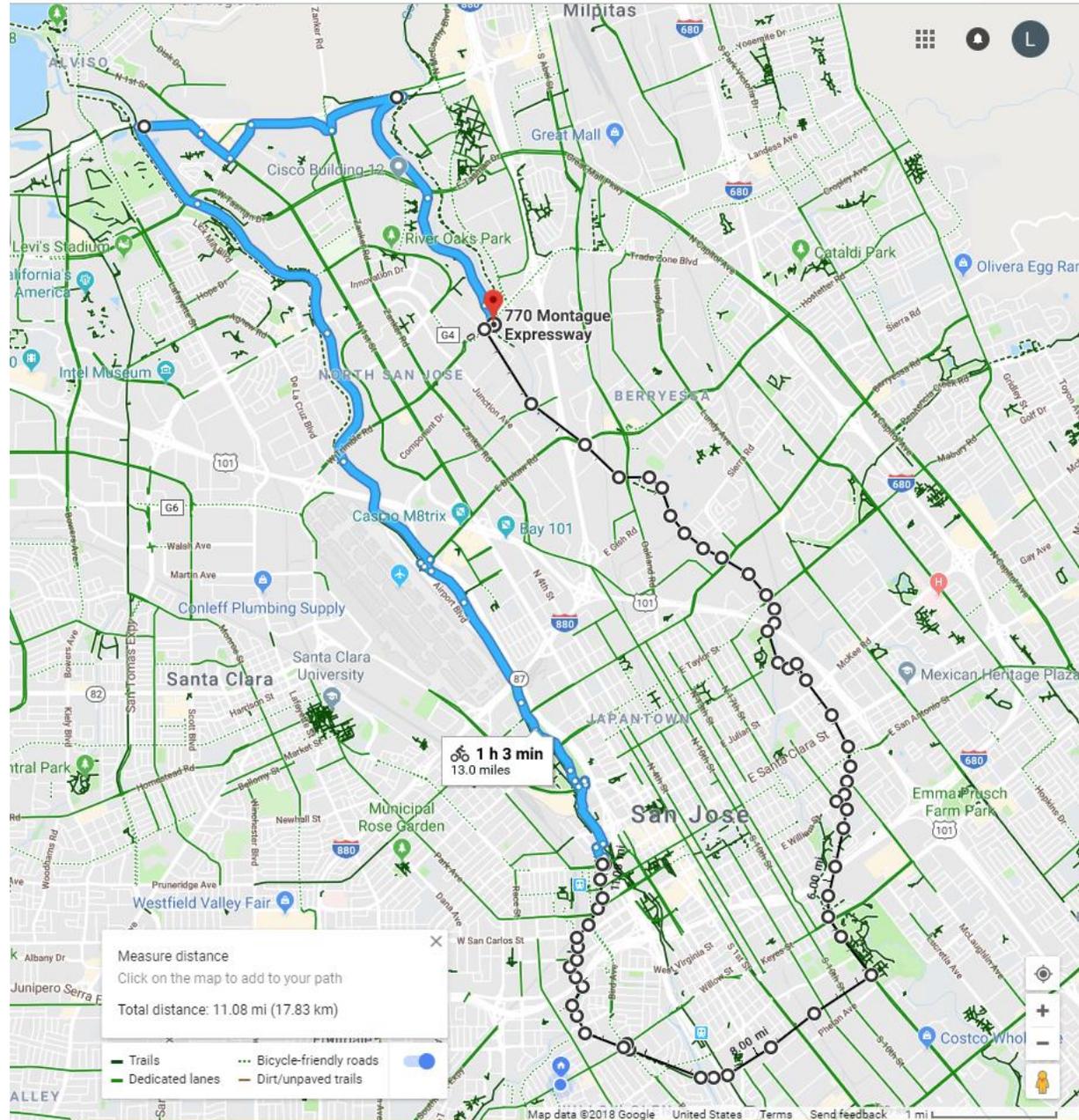
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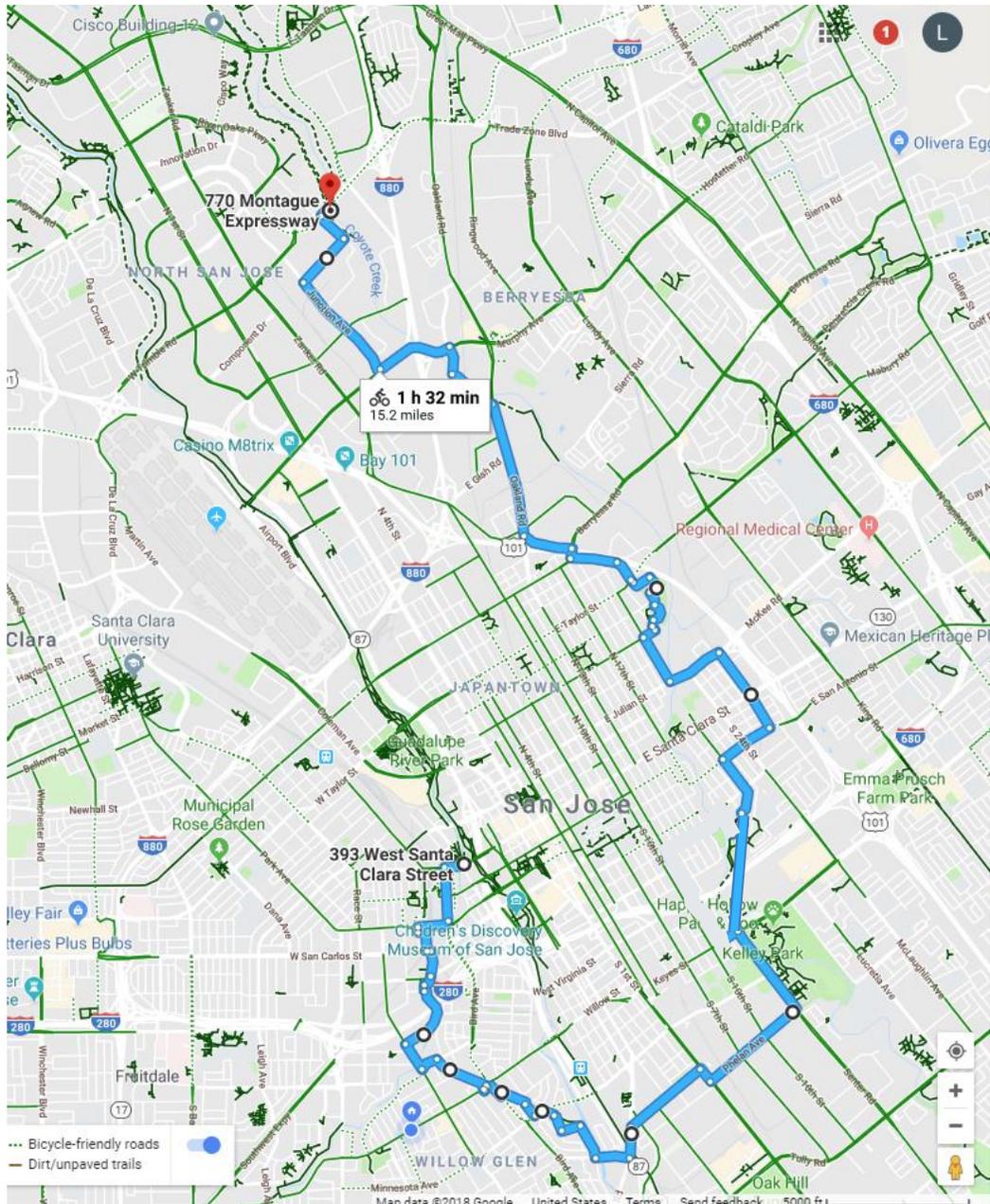
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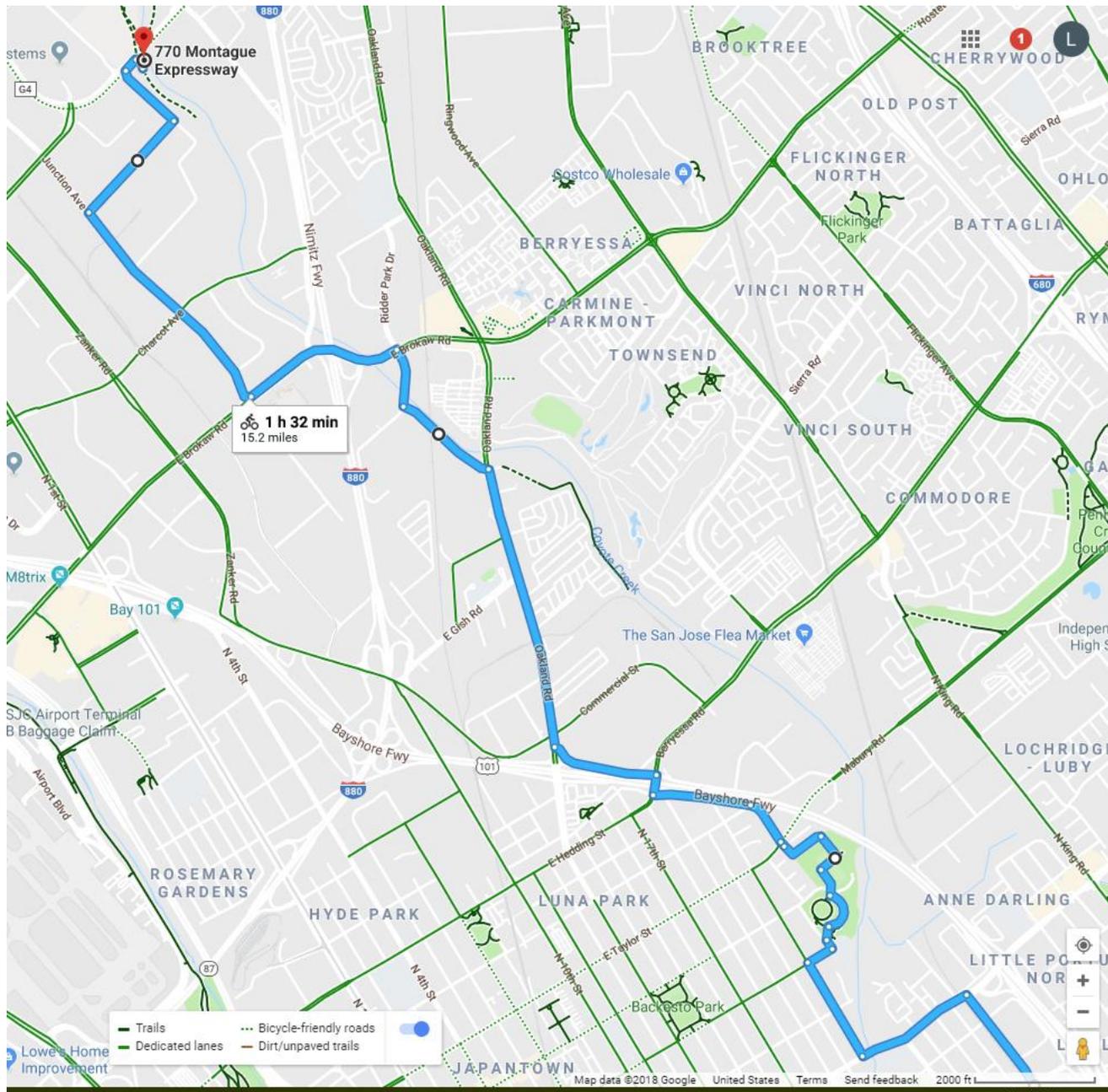


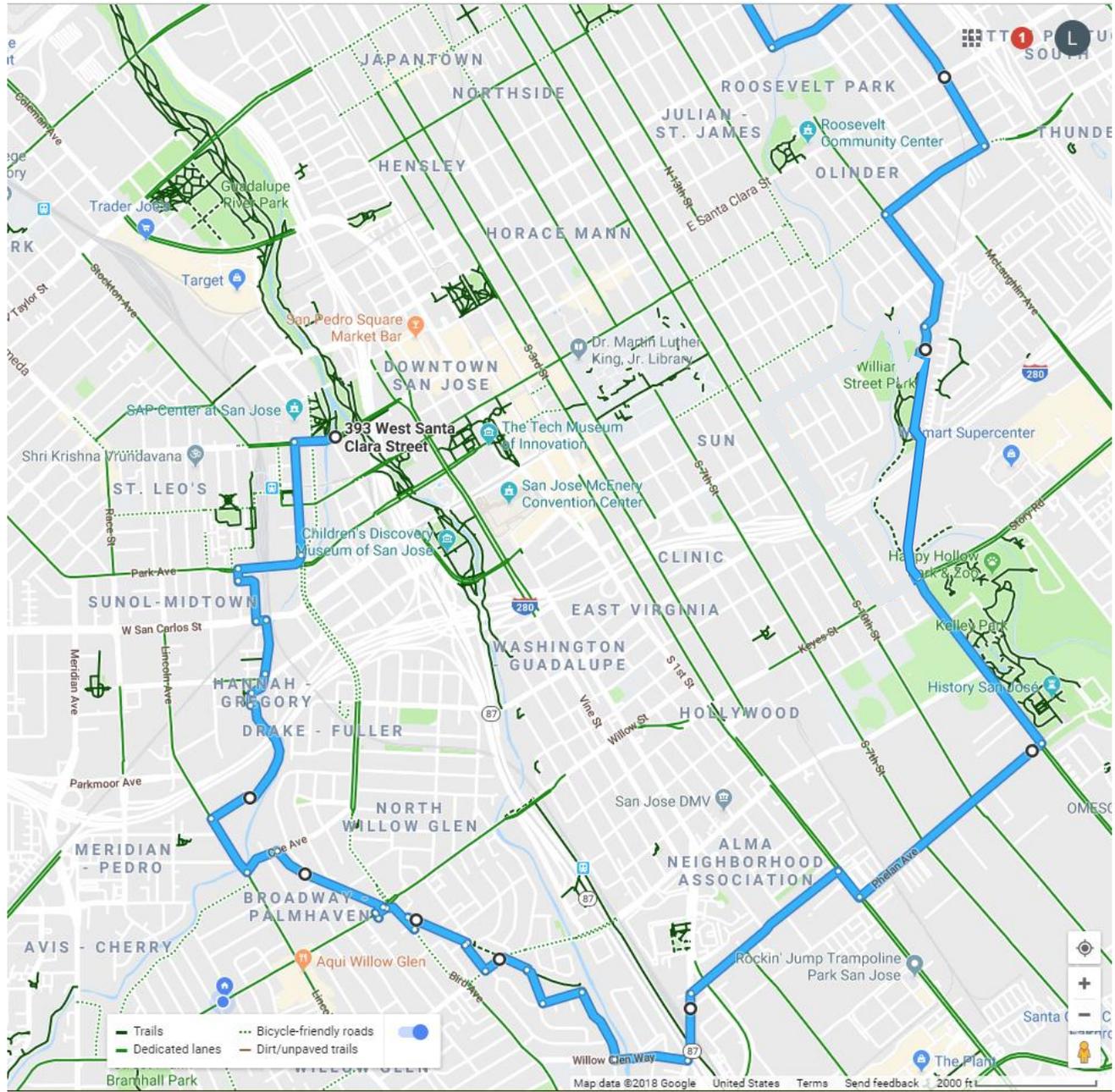


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Click on the map to add to your path
Total distance: 11.08 mi (17.83 km)

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List of caches by name along the trail

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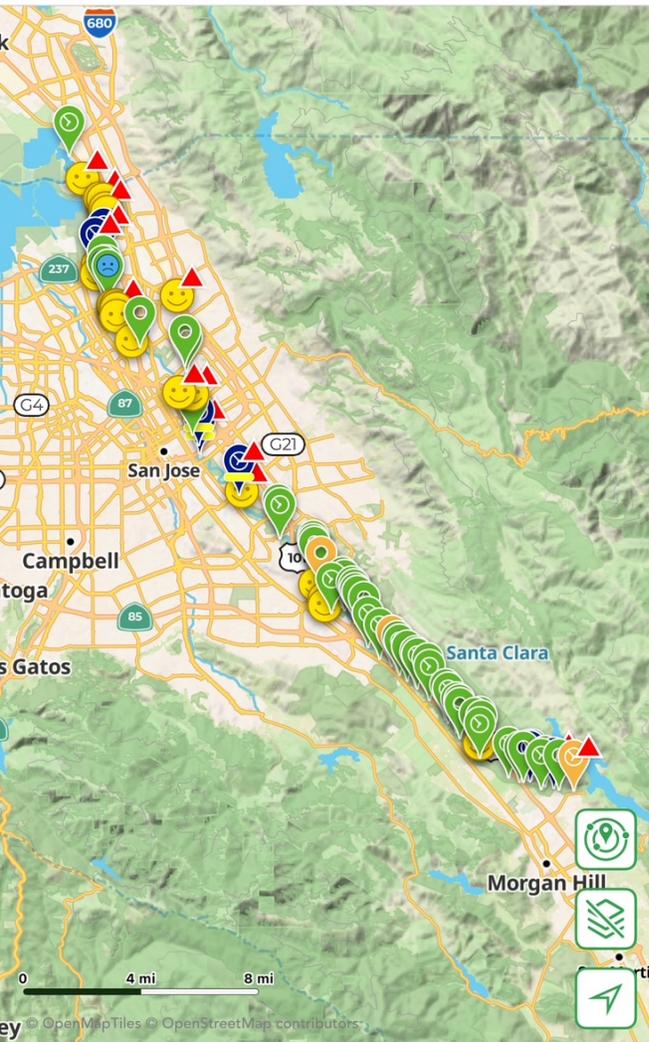
Some are not trail related per se but rather the trail offers a place to put a cache and a route for people to reach it. Others are specific to the trail like caches marking trail entrances.

GCNEDX Morning Run #1 - Creek Trolley
GCQHD0 Shady Coyotes
GCRT23 Power Madness
GCRT24 Coyote Creek Fishing Pond
GCRT25 Bailey's Crossing
GCT10D Coyote Creek Hill
GCT10F Your Turn, San Jose
GCT45Z Secret Entrance: Coyote Creek Golf
GCT45W Parkhere - Coyote Creek
GCT4WX Trail's End South - The Coyote Creek Trail
GCTB6V Coyote Creek - North McCarthy Entry
GCTGMW The Center is WHERE?
GC11MBA The Kooolest Show on Earth
GC1K3DB Throne Room
GC1K8A7 This Place Will 'Pump You Up'
GC1K8AG An Old Homestead Quagmire
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GC2R743 Heart or Butt?
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GC40BKG Coyote Creek Trail Secret Entrance 2 Revisited
GC430FM Cache is Unpublished
GC46C66 Bluebirds Fly
GC4K7WA Re-Purposed Bucket of Gadgets

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GC5JKR1 Bushy Green
GC5JPVQ Trail's End North - The Coyote Creek Trail
GC5Y3JK Trail to Nowhere 2: Coyote Creek Parkway
GC6V3XT Hellyer Solar Farm
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GC6XBJZ tiny boulders * oldBadger style *\\/* TBXchange
GC6YTJV Cottonwood Fluff
GC73K9Q The Great Escape
GC6QZ7E The Home of Onyx Eye Fur
GC848HJ FF10K: What's In the Boxes?
GC83R84 FF10K: Original Magic
GC896ZC Long John Silver
GC956R1 Oozy Rat In A Sanitary Zoo
GC96FAW Cool... another Cache on Coyote Creek Trail
GC9A649 Megaura Series: Fairy Glen Respite TB
GC9WTMX Trees of Hell
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Mind/Nature/Body Guided Hike Series

Máyyan 'Ooyákma
Coyote Ridge
Open Space Preserve

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Saturday, May 25th
10am-12pm

Overview

Objective	Participants will join a guided hike with interactive activities that encourage meditation and learning about local biodiversity.
Audience	Families with children Teenagers Young adults

Learning Outcomes

Local flora and fauna	Participants will learn about important flora and fauna that live in the area <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Bay Checkerspot Butterfly- Coyote- Valley Oak Tree- Dwarf Plantain
Meditation practices	Participants will learn two meditative practices that encourage participants to connect to their bodies. <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Stretch Exercise- Peripheral Vision Exercise
Environmental history	Participants will learn about the importance of Coyote Valley as a wildlife corridor connector.

Hike Information

Location	Máyyan 'Ooyákma – Coyote Ridge Open Space Preserve
Route	All Trails Map Link Length: 2.54 Miles Elevation: 440ft Est. Time: 2hrs

Hike Activities



Hike Opener - Wild Moves (15min)

- 1) Introduce the park. Go over park rules and community agreements.
 - Park Rules:
 - You can touch, but you can't pick
 - Stay on the trails
 - Community Agreements:
 - Respect Indigenous Stewardship of Land. Know whose land you're on.
 - Practice Consent. Ask for consent before touching people or their gear, when giving advice, and taking photos
 - Speak Respectfully. Avoid ableist, ageist, racist and gendered language.
 - We're Here to Help. Please find RT Staff if you have any questions or concerns.
 - Accountability Is Community Care. We hold everyone accountable to these agreements, and we'll take appropriate action to ensure our community feels safe.
- 2) Separate the group into 4 teams. Each group gets assigned one of the four identities:
 - Bay Checkerspot Butterfly
 - Coyote
 - Valley Oak Tree
 - Dwarf Plantain
- 3) Hand over animal fact sheets. Instruct groups to look over the sheet and spend 5 minutes working together to create a body movement that represents their identity
- 4) Teams present their movements.



Yoga Sequence - Gate 1 (15min)

- 1) Participants will go through a yoga sequence inspired by the valley oak, tule elk, and bay checkerspot butterfly. See attachment for a list of poses.

Peripheral Exercise - Top of Hike (10min)

- 1) Choose an object in the landscape to softly look at,.
- 2) Stretch both arms out in front of you and begin to wiggle your fingers.
- 3) Keeping your arms straight, and continuing to wiggle your fingers, slowly move your arms away from each other while still holding your gaze on your chosen point of focus.
- 4) When you lose sight of your moving fingers, slowly bring your arms back together again.
- 5) Now slowly move one arm up and one arm down, continuing to wiggle your fingers. When you lose sight of your moving fingers slowly bring your arms back together again.
- 6) Allow your arms to hang down by your sides once more and take a few moments to simply notice and enjoy your re-awakened peripheral vision. Name one or two things at the edges of your vision in your mind.
- 7) As you continue walking, every now and then, see if you can consciously tune into and enjoy your peripheral vision.



Mountain Pose
Tadasana



Upward Salute
Urdhva Hastasana



Standing Hug
Standing Hug



Reverse Warrior
Viparita Virabhadrasana



Warrior I
Virabhadrasana I



Warrior II
Virabhadrasana II



Tree Pose
Vrksasana



**Standing Backbend
With Interlocked**
*Anuvittasana With Inter-
locked Hands*