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Summer Quarterly Newsletter

Your Vote Counts!

Thank you for helping Outdoor Outreach secure a grant for \$25,000 from [The North Face Explore Fund](#)! This grant will allow OO to provide up to 30 more life-changing, outdoor activities for youth in our Adventure Clubs. Support from people like you make programming like the Adventure Club possible!

You can support Outdoor Outreach again by voting for longtime OO volunteer, Everett! Everett was recently honored as a [Cox Conserves Heroes Finalist](#) for his work to inspire youth to respect and protect the outdoors through mountain biking. During his 7 years as an OO volunteer, Everett has lead over 200 mountain biking trips and provided guidance and support to over 1,000 youth. Please cast your [one-time vote](#) for Everett and help him secure \$10,000 for OO's mountain bike program.



Congratulations Class of 2014

Outdoor Outreach is proud to announce that ALL of the 2014

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**Save the Date For One
Love's Yoga Event
Saturday, September 13**



OO was honored to take part in One Love's inaugural 10 Days of Random Acts of Kindness campaign. As one of only two

Adventure Club seniors graduated from their respective High Schools last month! This is impressive because these students all attend public high schools with some of the county's lowest graduation rates.



Most Adventure Club participants will be continuing their educations at colleges and universities throughout California, and some will even be traveling out of state to attend school this fall. Congratulations to the class of 2014 and best of luck in the future!

Puzzle Pursuit 2014: Time Machine

Get ready for the 6th annual Puzzle Pursuit benefiting Outdoor Outreach! Puzzle Pursuit is San Diego's very own version of the Amazing Race. To win you must think creatively, work as a team, and have fun!

This year, teams will compete in Balboa park, but watch out for time portals that will catapult you through time and space, making this year's puzzle challenges harder than ever! Puzzle Pursuit will take place at 9am on Saturday, September 20.

Interested in participating? Click [here](#) to sign-up today! We hope to see you there.



Last year's Puzzle Pursuit Participants getting ready to start the race!

Donor Spotlight: Cox Communications

beneficiaries, Outdoor Outreach is grateful for the additional support to help fund our Adventure Clubs and Leadership Program! Join One Love at their [Yoga Event](#) on Saturday, September 13 in Downtown SD.

Thank you to our supporters who gave \$500+ between 03/17 - 07/21

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We are excited to announce that one of our corporate partners, [Cox Communications](#), will be working with our youth to create a PSA about Outdoor Outreach's programs! After the PSA is created, Cox will be running the video on their channels. This opportunity will allow our youth to share their individual stories about how OO's outdoor programming has changed their lives.



We will be sure to update you once the PSA is finished and on the air. Thank you Cox Communications for your generosity and support!

Military Initiative Highlight

OO has an exciting summer planned for youth in our Military Initiative! So far, 30 youth have enjoyed six summer activities, including kayaking, surfing and stand up paddle boarding.



On July 16th, nine Military Program participants joined our Adventure Club youth for a fun-filled day on the water at our Bridge to Beach event. San Diego Junior Life Guards joined us at Mission Beach and demonstrated safety skills and helped lead activities for all participants!

An overnight surf trip is planned for later in the summer. Both the Military Initiative youth and OO staff are excited for the next chance to get out on the water!

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Spring Adventures and Highlights



Adventure Club youth kayaking in Mission Bay





Kelly Barrett joins Outdoor Outreach as the new Military Program Coordinator through AmeriCorps VISTA. She is enthusiastic about sharing her love of the outdoors with San Diego youth. Kelly has experience working at youth camps and has spent two years with AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community

Corps): both as a Corps Member and as a Team Leader. Kelly received her degree in Criminology with a focus on Victim Services. She is eager to help OO's youth build their leadership skills and connect them to opportunities for growth by engaging them in the wonderful resources provided by nature. As a San Diego native, Kelly loves hiking, camping, geocaching, and taking advantage of any opportunity to get outside.

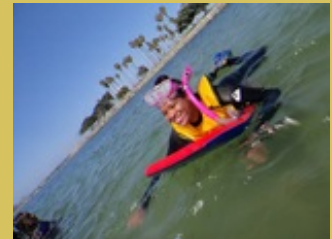
Chloe McGrath began working at Outdoor Outreach recently as the new Americorp VISTA Communications Coordinator. Chloe graduated from George Washington University in May with a degree in Criminal Justice. In the past, Chloe has served as a mediator for high school students, tutored at a DC public school, and interned at a child advocacy center to help families navigate through the criminal justice system. She is excited to work with an organization committed to providing new opportunities for youth and help them realize their full potential. In her free time, Chloe loves to kayak, swim at the beach, and hike!



Surf legend, Ian Cairns, teaching an Adventure Club participant to stand-up paddle



One of our Military Initiative participants climbing at Mission Gorge



A Leadership Program participant snorkeling at Mission Bay

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