

Pacific Crest Trail Association's 2012 Year-End Program Review

















Along the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail (PCT), 2012 was another great year of accomplishments for the Pacific Crest Trail Association (PCTA) and its partners.

Accomplishments focused on:

- Connecting Americans to the great outdoors and promoting volunteerism on public lands.
- Engaging youth in conservation and the great outdoors.
- Leveraging strategic partnerships as the cornerstone for sustainable recreation.
- Expanding access to the great outdoors.
- Restoring and conserving large landscapes.

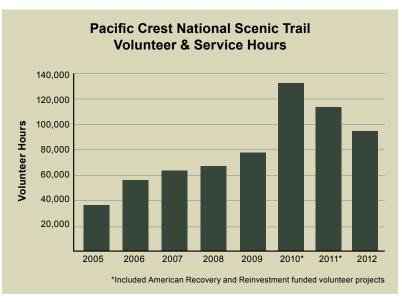


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Connecting Americans to the Great Outdoors and Promoting Volunteerism on Public Lands

The PCTA and its agency partners — U.S. Forest Service (USFS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), National Park Service (NPS), and California State Parks — understand that taking care of a

2,650 mile trail requires a diverse, strong, and engaged network of volunteers. Every year, the PCTA connects volunteers to America's great outdoors on projects both on and off the Trail, providing hands-on opportunities to serve the community and better our public lands. To help volunteers succeed in their endeavors and make their volunteer experience positive and enjoyable, the PCTA provides leadership, trainings, consultations, resources, and an awards program.



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On the Trail, volunteers removed encroaching vegetation, cleared fallen trees, repaired bridges, and built trail structures. In 2012, volunteers maintained 1,172 miles of trail, equating to 44% of the PCT. In addition to trail maintenance work, volunteers assisted with trainings, attended agency meetings, performed data entry, and organized mailings to name just a few of the diverse volunteer opportunities the PCT provides.

Community-Based Volunteer Groups

PCTA community-based volunteer groups are comprised of local volunteers who have adopted or regularly work on sections of the PCT. Nine PCTA-affiliated community-based volunteer groups are the keystone to PCTA's volunteer programs and are located throughout California, Oregon, and Washington, drawing volunteers from major metropolitan areas. These groups are integral to promoting volunteerism on public lands and to keeping their local PCT sections maintained and passable. They do it all – from removing fallen trees to building retaining walls, from cooking grub for a hungry trail crew to attending agency meetings. While all of their work is worth noting, here are three exceptional community-based volunteer group accomplishments from 2012:

• Mount Hood Chapter: Located in the greater Portland area, these volunteers maintain more



- than 200 miles of the PCT in northern Oregon and southern Washington. In addition to regular trail stewardship projects organized by the Chapter's 27 trail adopters, the Mount Hood Chapter hosted Adamah Adventures, a Jewish youth group from Georgia, on a project that connected 10 youth to the PCT on the Gifford Pinchot National Forest, where they conducted trail restoration and camped under the leadership of the Chapter.
- Can Do Crew: Coming from the San Francisco Bay-area, this stewardship group focuses on connecting to the great outdoors in California's Northern Sierra. In 2012, a majority of their stewardship efforts went to restoring the PCT after the wide-spread damage from a rare winter wind storm that

Volunteers from PCTA's Portland, Ore.based Mount Hood Chapter contributed 8,611 volunteer hours to trail maintenance and restoration efforts on public lands.



"Just want to drop a note about what a great feeling it has been to volunteer on the PCT. I have walked it for years and benefited from all the hard work of others and always wanted to give back. It wasn't just a 'give back' it was fun and provided a sense of accomplishment. The PCTA staff and volunteers I met on my two weekends are the best. Plus the PCTA does a good job taking care of its volunteers. I was well fed both weekends and had great leaders. I definitely will work in a weekend or two this year. PCTA is the best."

~ PCT Trail Crew Volunteer Linda Ramus

ripped through the Sierra Nevada range. The crew of 22 volunteers contributed 2,551 hours over four weeks reconstructing 10 miles of the PCT and clearing more than 140 downed trees.

• **Trail Gorillas:** Based in Southern California, the Trail Gorillas hold a variety of trail projects and trainings for new and experienced volunteers. Trail Gorilla volunteers contributed 11,546 volunteer hours on 48 different projects in 2012.

PCTA uses feedback from its annual volunteer survey to help strengthen its commitment to promoting volunteerism on public lands. The survey measures everything from a volunteer's experience registering for a project to the meals they were served on the trail crew. More than 120 responses were received in the 2012 survey:

- 98% of volunteers agreed or strongly agreed their motivations for volunteering were satisfied.
- 97% of volunteers agreed or strongly agreed they would like to volunteer with the PCTA again.
- 97% of volunteers agreed or strongly agreed they would recommend volunteering with the PCTA to a friend.

To help volunteers build their skills, and be safe and successful in their trail work, PCTA provides education, training, and oversight in safe trail construction and restoration. The Trail Skills College is a signature PCTA training program composed of modular courses held on the Trail and taught by volunteers, PCTA staff, nonprofit partners, and agency staff. These free trainings serve new and returning volunteers who are eager to increase their trail-maintenance knowledge and skills. The courses offered at the Trail Skills College cover almost every aspect of trail maintenance. Beginners develop "trail eyes" as they learn about basic hydrology, brushing, and berm removal. Intermediate and advanced participants can learn how to construct water bars and retaining walls; how to lead trail maintenance crews safely and effectively; and earn chain and crosscut saw certification, among other things. The Trail Skills College curriculum was designed in 2009 with a grant from REI and was written in collaboration with non-profit and agency partners.

"I learned much about making trails while working with the Crater Lake trail crew on National Public Lands Day. This was my first PCT volunteer project and it exceeded my expectations! I definitely want to volunteer again in 2013. They showed me what was needed and let me choose my project. I feel I now have a piece of this National Park with my initials on it, a very satisfying experience. Many thanks to the PCTA for allowing me this opportunity to give back."

~ PCT Trail Crew Volunteer



By training volunteers with the valuable skills needed to help protect and maintain recreation trails, they become the stewards and leaders giving countless volunteer hours to maintain not only the PCT but also trails on public lands across America.

In 2012, the PCTA, partner organizations and agencies sponsored 24 trainings. At these trainings, more than 600 volunteers contributed 9,897 hours to teaching and learning trail maintenance skills. By training volunteers with the valuable skills needed to help protect and maintain recreation trails, they become the stewards and leaders, in turn giving countless hours to maintain the PCT and other trails across America's public lands. PCTA continues to expand and update courses in its popular Trail Skills College curriculum. These courses are available for free download online and have received positive feedback from trail organizations across the country.

2012 PCTA Sponsored Trail Skills College Trainings

Number of chain and crosscut saw training events hosted	11
Number of volunteers attending chain or crosscut saw training	106
Number of non-saw trail skills training events hosted	13
Number of volunteers attending non-saw trail skills training	511

Engaging Youth in Conservation and the Great Outdoors

In 2012, 22% of the PCT's 88,116 trail maintenance volunteer hours were accomplished through youth corps' and other youth programs. This work not only restored the PCT but connected youth to nature, developed future citizen stewards, and built professional job skills. Besides the actual trail maintenance skills developed on a trail crew, youths also learned about conserving America's great outdoors, leadership, teamwork and job safety. The PCTA hosted 11 youth crews on the Trail in 2012. The following is a highlight of just some of these youth projects:

Oregon, and Washington, Boy Scouts connected to the PCT to practice their outdoor skills, earn merit badges and provide community services. On the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, six scouts removed 15 large, illegal campfire rings that were adjacent to the PCT and restored the area to a natural condition by scattering the rocks, burying and scattering the ashes and covering the blackened ground scars with vegetation as an Eagle Scout Project.



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- Environmental Charter Schools: For five years, the PCTA has worked with the Environmental Charter High and Middle Schools in inner-city Los Angeles. These day and overnight trips focus on project-base learning and developing community leadership skills. In 2012, these students contributed 1,200 service hours on the PCT.
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People's Urban Youth Rites of Passage: The PCTA partnered with the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Recreation Area for the fourth year to provide a holistic outdoor training experience to urban youths. With four volunteers, 21 youths contributed 654 hours while engaged in a weekend conservation project on the PCT.
- **Student Conservation Association (SCA):** The SCA offers conservation internships and trail crew opportunities to college-age volunteers. PCTA volunteers join these crews for extended projects that usually last five days or longer. In 2012, four corps crews and 21 volunteers worked 6,604 hours on PCT conservation projects.

Leveraging Strategic Partnerships as the Cornerstone for Sustainable Recreation

Each year, the PCTA works with more than 100 individual agency units within the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, and California State Parks. The PCTA's professional Trail Operations Program staff including a Trail Operations Director, a Trail Operations Manager, a Volunteer Programs Assistant and five Regional Representatives not only oversees management of the PCT, but spends a significant amount of time to maintain and build partnerships to strengthen resources for the Trail. In 2012, PCTA staff conducted 541 meetings with agency partners; these collaborative partnerships produced outstanding on-the-ground results and contribute to the long-term sustainability of the PCT.

The PCTA's network of partners extends well beyond the land management agencies. More than 75 key partners make up PCTA's extensive partnership network, including conservation and volunteerminded non-profits; business and retailers; and schools and universities. This large, diverse group has been brought together with the same collective view: to protect, preserve, and promote the 2,650 mile PCT as a national treasure.

In 2012, these non-profit partners contributed significant volunteer time to restoring the PCT:

- **Friends of the Inyo:** 2,178 hours
- **High Sierra Volunteer Trail Crew:** 2,114 hours
- Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship: 1,280
- Tahoe Rim Trail Association: 1,148 hours
- Washington Trails Association: 6,280 hours



On the Inyo and Sierra National Forests, restoration was much needed in 2012 after a catastrophic 180-mile-per-hour wind event toppled more than 400,000 trees. A team of more than 175 personnel, including both USFS employees and countless volunteers, cleared 290 trail miles of 4,700 down trees. Sixty percent of this work was accomplished through generous contributions from partner organizations and volunteers.



Leveraging strategic partnerships with packers, stock support, and equestrian volunteers is integral to the success of the PCT. PCTA partners with Backcountry Horseman of California, Back Country Horseman of Oregon, Oregon Equestrian Trails, and Back Country Horseman of Washington to provide pack support on backcuntry projects.

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The PCTA leverages strategic partnerships not only for restoration stewardship activities but also to preserve sustainable recreation. For more than four years, a task force – including the USFS PCT Manager, BLM staff, PCTA staff, the Kern County Sheriff's Department and Supervisors Office, local community members including OHV users, local equestrian groups and members from an OHV watch group – has worked to eliminate the ever-growing illegal OHV activity in the Tehachapi Mountains. Agency leadership recognized the severity of the situation in 2010 after there appeared to be deliberate vandalism to the Trail. As a result, law enforcement officers closely monitored OHV activities in Southern California's Tehachapi Mountains. Although the illegal OHV activity on the PCT quieted down significantly it is still a problem. Kern County continues monthly patrols for illegal use and the task force continued to meet regularly in 2012.



The PCT offers easy access to America's great outdoors from major metropolitan areas up and down the West Coast, including San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Sacramento. Portland, and Seattle. The PCTA website provides up-todate information encouraging the safe use, enjoyment, protection, and preservation of the Trail.

Expanding Access to the Great Outdoors

Meandering from Mexico to Canada for 2,650 miles across three states, the PCT offers access to the great outdoors as it connects diverse landscapes, offering a gateway to recreational adventure and a connection with nature as it traverses 48 Congressionally designated wilderness areas, 23 National Forests, seven BLM field offices, six National Parks, five California State Park units, three National Monuments, one National Scenic Area, the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit and countless parcels of private property.

In addition to its restoration efforts, PCTA serves as the primary clearing house for PCT information, connecting not only Americans but the international community with the great outdoors' quality wilderness recreation experiences. A full-time Trail Information Specialist provides trail users with answers to their PCT-related questions while the PCTA website, electronic newsletters and quarterly magazine provide up-to-date and historical information encouraging the safe use, enjoyment, protection, and preservation of the PCT. Online recreation resources are also available through PCTA via social media including Facebook, Twitter and Google Plus. PCTA maintains a toll-free telephone line and trail conditions web pages with trail closure and other important information. The PCTA also assists the Forest Service by issuing permits to trail users traveling more than 500 miles.

2012 Communication Services to the Public and Trail Users

Number of emails responded to	1,004
Number of phone calls responded to	702
Number of social media requests responded to	122
Number of PCT brochures distributed	16,539
Number of issues of the PCT Communicator distributed	38,000
Number of wilderness permits issued for PCT travel in excess of 500 miles	1,497
Number of visits to PCTA's website	561,438

Restoring and Conserving Large Landscapes

Each year the PCT is subject to heavy use, floods, fires and overgrown vegetation that cause erosion, trail blockage and, in some cases, permanent ecological damage. The annual maintenance and restoration of the PCT to meet national quality standards is a major undertaking of the PCTA. The goal is to create a quality wilderness recreation experience that allows Americans to connect with the great outdoors. As a result of PCTA volunteers' hard work, hikers and equestrians alike will tell you the PCT is one of the finest wilderness trails in existence.

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Land Protection for Conserving the PCT

Land conservation was also a PCTA focus in 2012 as the Association partnered with the Anza Borrego Foundation to purchase a 40-acre parcel in Anza Borrego Desert State Park. The once privately held parcel located next to the PCT is now preserved as open space and set aside for public use. The purchase ensured that the property will remain in its largely natural and untouched state and that the trail experience will continue unharmed. The parcel is located at the top of Nance Canyon near Anza, Calif., 140 miles north of Mexico. The parcel includes a riparian corridor, open grassland, chaparral and juniper woodland. The parcel also has a connection to the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail, as the 1774 and 1775-76 Anza Expeditions to California traveled up Nance Canyon from lower Coyote Canyon to the San Carlos Pass, exiting the desert to a greener more pastoral California.

Land and Water Conservation Funding (LWCF) enabled PCT land acquisition as well. Although there was \$1 million allocated to the PCT in the LWCF budget for FY12, the PCT agency partners were able to purchase a good deal more than \$1 million's worth of property. The USFS purchased two tracts of more than 800 acres containing 1.5 miles of the PCT tread. These additional tracts acquired from Plum Creek Timber Company make the project total more than 20 Plum Creek checkerboard tracts purchased in the last 10-12 years.

On the Shasta-Trinity National Forest, the USFS pooled funds from a number of sources to purchase a 640-acre section of land on Mount Eddy containing more than a mile of the PCT tread. In this instance, the PCTA and Shasta-Trinity National Forest worked in partnership with the Trust for Public Land to make this monumental land-acquisition opportunity a reality.

In the Cascade Siskiyou National Monument, the Bureau of Land Management purchased 6,280 acres including two tracts containing sections of the PCT (about 1.5 miles) one tract directly adjacent to the tread and others that are part of the PCT viewshed. Of particular note are the Porcupine Mountain section (more than 640 acres) and the fact that this section and tracts to the northeast are also adjacent to the Soda Mountain Wilderness.



The PCT winds along a ridge through the Intake Creek area about 35 trail miles south of Washington's Snoqualmie Pass. This is one of two tracts the USFS purchased from Plum Creek Timber Company to help conserve the large landscape surrounding the PCT.

Optimal Location Review for Conserving the PCT

A prominent theme throughout PCTA work is a quality recreational experience for PCT users. One way the PCTA strives to protect, preserve, and promote the PCT as an internationally significant resource for the enjoyment of hikers and equestrians is through the use of Optimal Location Reviews (OLR).

In April, USFS Pacific Southwest Regional Forester Randy Moore signed the "Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail Optimal Location Review Process Guidelines." This was a significant step for the PCT as there are now guidelines and a procedure for determining the optimal location for the PCT that is officially endorsed by the USFS. Work started on these guidelines in 2004 and for many years there was an unsigned version that was suggested for use.

The document outlines the format, process, and considerations for an OLR on the PCT. The analytical process is critical to ensuring that the PCT is located in the setting that best meets the congressional intent for location, outstanding recreation opportunities, and scenic resources. The OLR is a collaborative process whereby the PCTA works closely with agency partners, stakeholders and local volunteers to identify the best route for the PCT. Many factors are considered when conducting an OLR, but the desired result includes a trail location that will offer users an outstanding quality recreational experience on public lands. Pioneered by the USFS and the Appalachian Trail Conference on the Appalachian National Scenic Trail, the analysis process reviews land ownership, scenic resource values, natural and cultural resource concerns, and trail location to determine the optimal location for the PCT.

The Sunrise Powerlink is a San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E) project to transmit power from Imperial County to San Diego through the use of a 500-kilovolt electrical line. Transmission towers



In Southern California, Will Brennan, Wilderness and Trails Manager for the Descanso Ranger District, Cleveland National Forest, in Hauser Canyon while scouting for a new trail location for the PCT as the first step in the Optimal Location Review process.

were built to support the line and many of the towers were constructed on BLM land near the boundary of the Cleveland National Forest. The line crossed the PCT three times as it descends into Hauser Canyon. The PCTA and agency partners used an "all-lands" management approach to conserve and restore the large landscape of the PCT. In effect, SDG&E supported moving the PCT onto Cleveland National Forest lands as mitigation. Prior to moving the section of trail, PCTA, BLM, and the Forest conducted an extensive OLR to ensure the trail was relocated to the most optimal location. During the 2011-2012 OLR process, the PCTA and partnering agency staffs analyzed the first 28 miles of PCT, from the southern terminus on the Mexican Border to its crossing under Interstate 8. This was the first significant step in a multi-year project. In 2013, after numerous field surveys, designing and flagging of the final route will take place followed by an Environmental Assessment before new trail construction may begin.

Land Management Planning for Conserving the PCT

Conserving the large landscape of the PCT requires PCTA staff to be attentive during the USFS land management planning process. In 2012, the PCTA was heavily involved in commenting on and attending meetings concerning the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit's Tahoe Rim Trail Management Plan, and Land and Resources Management Plan. PCTA's advocated the Unit create a management corridor that would protect the scenic qualities of the visible foreground, middleground, and background viewsheds along the PCT. The management area would provide the PCT with significant protections that are called for in the National Trails System Act and PCT Comprehensive Plan and would prohibit degradation of resources in the corridor surrounding the PCT. The Plan would provide a great opportunity for the Unit to adopt meaningful standards and guides while setting a positive example for other Forest Plans and for greater protection for the PCT trailwide.

2012 Accomplishments Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail

Volunteer Stewardship Programs & Training Provide volunteer support to organize and execute projects

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16
86
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858
779
19
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52
2
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Number of volunteers hours for financial match	51,486
Number of volunteers hours for trail maintenance activities	88,116
Number of volunteers hours for trail protection activities	48
Number of volunteers hours for administrative activities	
Number of volunteers hours for governance and committee activities	1,332
Number of volunteers hours for communications and publications	
Number of volunteers reflecting age, gender, and ethnicity:	

	Male	Female	Total
Under 18	129	69	198
18-54	605	317	922
55+	794	254	1,048
Total	1,528	640	
White (non-Hispanic)	1,394	535	1,929
Black (non-Hispanic)	18	19	37
Hispanic	82	35	117
Native American/ Alaskan Native	8	4	12
Asian/Pacific Islander	16	14	30
Total	1,528	607	2,125

Number of PCTA-affiliated youth corps volunteer hours	10,470
Number of PCTA-affiliated youth volunteer volunteer hours	20,512
Number of miles of trail maintained	1,172
Number of miles reconstructed/constructed	54
Number of trailhead kiosks constructed	1
Number of square feet of log cribbing constructed	183
Number of square feet of stone cribbing constructed	1,595
Number of bridges constructed (greater than 20' long, 5' off the deck)	
Number of feet of turnpike/puncheon constructed	





Sponsor volunteer training opportunities

Number of PCTA staff hours spent on trainings	1,711
Number volunteers attending Basic or Wilderness First Aid	3
Number of Basic or Wilderness First Aid trainings hosted	3
Number of volunteers attending crosscut and/or chain saw training	106
Number of crosscut and/or chain saw trainings hosted	11
Number volunteers attending other trail skills training	468
Number of other trail skills trainings hosted	

Coordinate with the PCT Program Manager and agency units

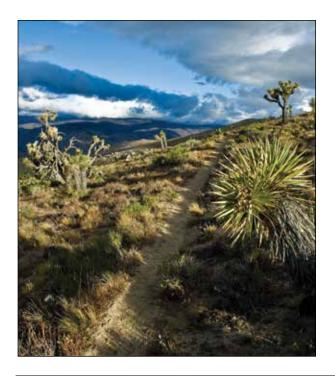
Number of agency partner meetings to coordinate field program of work:

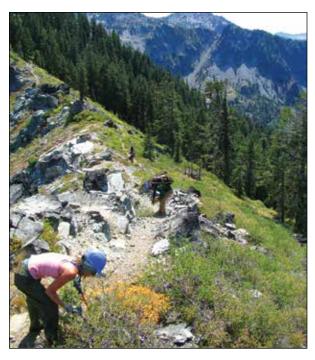
	Local	Unit	Regional/ Trailwide	Total
U.S. Forest Service	246	102	90	438
Bureau of Land Management	26	13	40	79
National Park Service	8	5	2	15
Other	4	2	3	9
Total	284	122	135	541

Trail and Land Management Support

Number of PCTA staff hours spent on trail planning and protection2,636

Communication Services to the Public & Trail Users
Respond to inquiries from the public and trail users regarding the PCT
Number of emails regarding responded to
Number of phone calls responded to702
Number of social media requests responded to
Number of media requests responded to
Maintain a toll-free PCT telephone line
Number of updates to the toll-free telephone line42
Number of calls made to the toll-free telephone line
Publish a periodic magazine
Number of copies of the PCT Communicator distributed38,000
Maintain a website
Number of website visits561,438
Number of updates to the Trail Conditions pages
Promote PCT at events
Number of conferences and outreach events attended60
Number of PCTA staff hours spent planning or participating in events1,460
Number of PCTA volunteer hours spent planning or participating in events834
Issue long distance permits
Number of wilderness permits issued for travel in excess of 500 miles1,497
Number of Mt. Whitney climbing permits issued
Distribute PCT brochures
Number of map brochures distributed16,539





Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail 2012 Volunteer & Corps Crew Hours

Southern California Region
California Conservation Corps9,033
Environmental Charter Schools 1,200
PCTA Trail Gorillas11,546
Student Conservation Association2,717
William S. Hart High School1,105
Miscellaneous Region Projects2,909
Southern Sierra Region
Friends of the Inyo2,178
High Sierra Volunteer Trail Crew2,114
PCTA Can Do Crew2,551
Student Conservation Association2,199
Miscellaneous Region Projects1,251
Northern Sierra Region
PCTA Carsonora Trail Crew1,189
PCTA Quincy Area Volunteers429
PCTA Tahoe Area Volunteers840
PCTA Will Work for Krumm's Trail Crew 987
Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship
Student Conservation Association1,012
Tahoe Rim Trail Association1,148
Miscellaneous Region Projects2,035
Big Bend Region
Ashland Woodlands & Trails Association359
Backcountry Horsemen of Calif Top of State 862
California Conservation Corps
PCTA Lyon's Pride Trail Crew2,081
Student Conservation Association 676
Miscellaneous Region Projects1,564
Columbia Cascades Region
PCTA Mid-Oregon Volunteers 4,881
PCTA Mt. Hood Chapter8,611
PCTA Warm Springs Trail Crew
PCTA Windigo/Skyline/Sasquatch Crews2,520
Washington Trails Association666
Miscellaneous Region Projects6,490
North Cascades Region
Back Country Horsemen of Washington 1,275
Pacific Northwest Corps
PCTA North 350 Blades2,172
Washington Trails Association 5,614
Miscellaneous Region Projects
Miscellaneous Trailwide
Total PCT Trail Program Hours88,116





In 2012, volunteers contributed more than 4,302 service hours to non-trail maintenance activities including PCTA governance, outreach events, publications and advocacy work.

Our Partners









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Mom's Pie House, CA

Mountain Khakis, National Mt. Shasta Trails Association, CA NAACP Vancouver Branch, WA Oregon Equestrian Trails, OR Osprey Packs, Inc., National Pacific Forest Trust, CA/OR Pacific Northwest Trail Association, WA Partnership for the National Trails System, National PCTA Can Do Crew, CA PCTA Carsonora Area Volunteers, CA PCTA Lyons' Pride Volunteers, CA PCTA Mid-Oregon Volunteers, OR PCTA Mt. Hood Chapter, OR PCTA North 350 Blades, WA PCTA Trail Gorillas, CA PCTA Will Work for Krumms Trail Crew, CA REI, National San Diego Ultra Running Friends, CA Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship, CA Sierra Health Foundation, CA Student Conservation Association, National Tahoe Rim Trail Association, CA Tarma Designs, National Truckee Trails Foundation, CA Trust for Public Land, National University of Florida, FL Ursack, National Washington Conservation Corps, WA Wash. State Department of Natural Resources, WA Washington Trails Association, WA White Pass Ski Area, WA William S. Hart Unified School District, CA Well.org, National

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