



AMERICAN HIKING SOCIETY'S
NATIONAL TRAILS DAY®

Prickly Pear Land Trust

Any trail, anywhere, leave it better.

HOW DID PEOPLE CELEBRATE AMERICAN HIKING'S 33RD ANNUAL NATIONAL TRAILS DAY®?

We have always said there's no wrong way to celebrate the trails — and this year was no exception. With events taking place in all 50 states, trail lovers showed up in full force: rolling up their sleeves on trail maintenance projects, joining community hikes, leading educational talks, hosting accessible nature experiences, enjoying picnic meetups, or hitting the trail on bike or horseback. People across the country found countless ways to connect with the outdoors and each other. Every celebration — big and small — moved us closer to our shared goal: making trails and the outdoor community welcoming, accessible, and well maintained for all.



Virginia Capital Trail



Mystery Ranch



Birdability



California State Parks



Utah Conservation Corps

**VOLUNTEER
LABOR VALUE** 

\$1,151,671

**REGISTERED
EVENTS** 

943

**STEWARDSHIP
PROJECTS** 

398

NATIONAL TRAILS DAY® 2025 IMPACT

**STEWARDSHIP
VOLUNTEERS** 

6,057

**MILES OF TRAIL
IMPROVED** 

758

**ESTIMATED EVENT
PARTICIPANTS** 

66,688

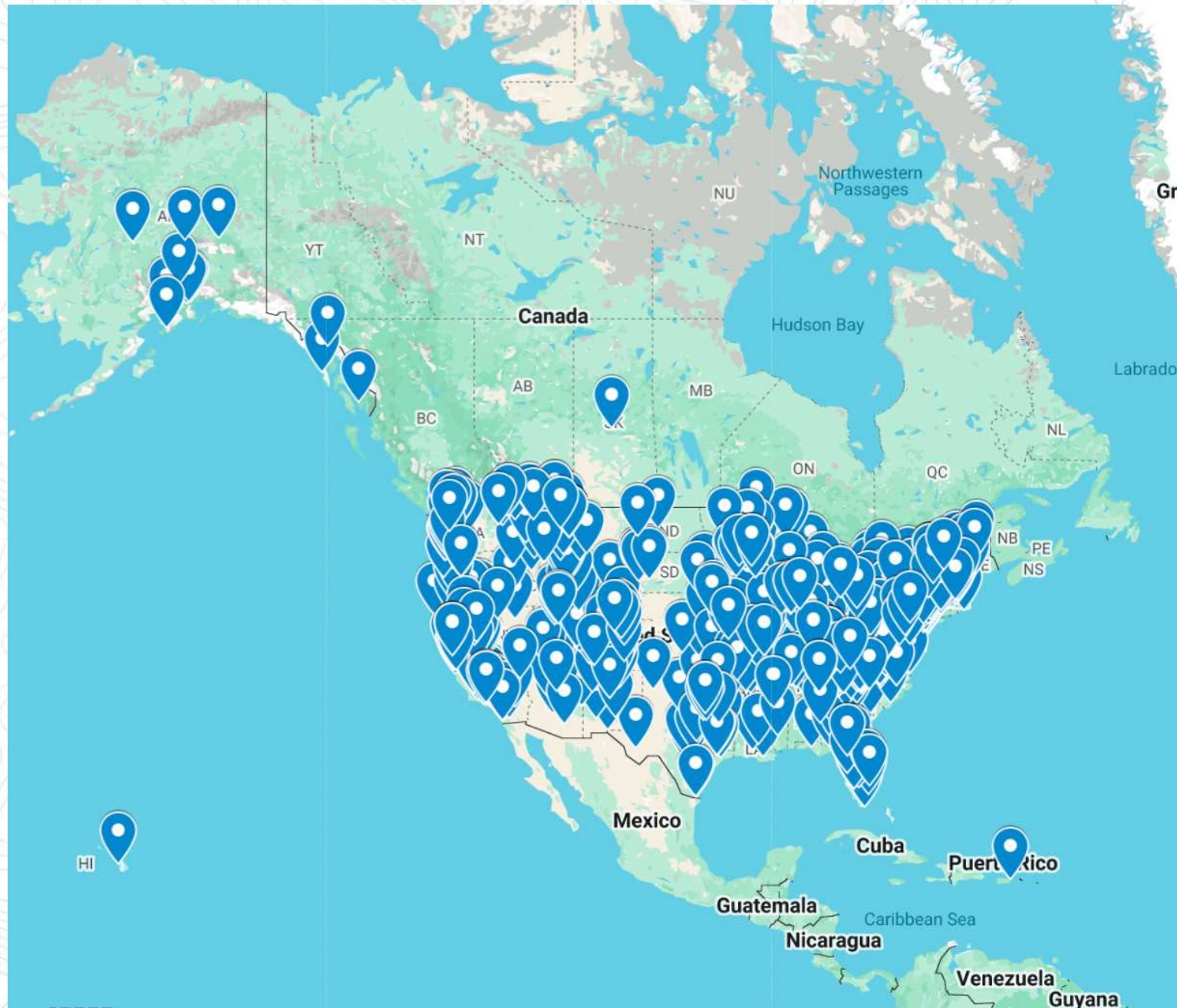
WHERE DID NATIONAL TRAILS DAY® EVENTS TAKE PLACE?



From coast to coast — and even beyond — National Trails Day® events took place in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and Canada this year!

From remote backcountry projects to city park cleanups, each pin on the map represents a community coming together to celebrate, steward, and share the joy of trails.

Click the map to explore just how far-reaching this movement truly is.



Outdoor enthusiasts, trail lovers and advocates took to social media to share how they celebrated National Trails Day®. From snapshots of sunrise hikes to group cleanups and community events, the day was filled with inspiration and calls to action. Trail lovers across the country encouraged their communities to join in, get outside and celebrate, and commit to being trail stewards by taking American Hiking's annual National Trails Day® pledge.

#NATIONALTRAILSDAY®

7.6M

Est. Social Media Reach

23.8M

Digital, News & Blog Reach

\$1.6M

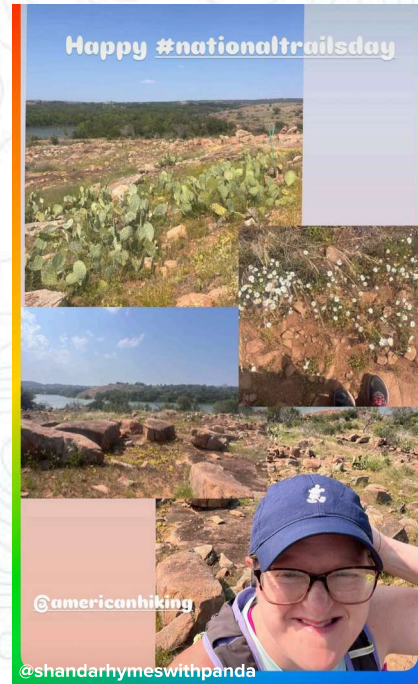
Advertising Value Equivalent

6,881

People Signed NTD Pledge



TALES FROM THE TRAILS



NATIONAL TRAILS DAY® 2025 MICRO-GRANT RECIPIENTS

THE TEXAS NEUROFIBROMATOSIS FOUNDATION



Neurofibromatosis (NF) is a rare genetic condition that causes tumors to grow on and around nerve endings, along the central nervous system, and on and under the skin. NF is a disorder that is very isolating, and this event was a wonderful way for the NF community in the Austin area to gather together, enjoy the beautiful trails in the park and nature, and meet others who share similar health experiences. It was a wonderful morning!

The Texas Neurofibromatosis Foundation's National Trails Day® event was held from 9:30am-12:00pm at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center in Austin, Texas. Over 20 attendees of all ages joined the celebration!

A variety of activities were offered, including decorating fans, coloring sheets, coloring leaf cutouts, and a guided nature walk focusing on native Texas plants and flowers.

CITY OF OLYMPIA PARKS STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM



The City of Olympia Parks Stewardship Program, Committee on Diversity and Equity, and Oly QT, hosted their first National Trails Day® Stewardship PRIDE Event to give the LGBTQIA+ community an opportunity to share their passion for environmental restoration. Together, they removed English ivy, Himalayan blackberry, and English holly from trails, then spread wood chips from the fallen trees their arborists removed.

Their National Trails Day® event brought together 68 volunteers and 4 tabling partners, PFLAG, Free Mom Hugs, Capitol Land Trust, and YMCA. The City of Olympia Mayor, Dontae Payne, kicked off the event with a welcome message.

The event organizer shared, "many people say it was a great healing space and very rewarding to be amongst caring community members while engaging with environmental restoration."

SANTO DOMINGO PUEBLO TRIBAL PROGRAMS



The Kewa TRUTH Youth Council from Santo Domingo Pueblo, NM, in collaboration with the Education and Employment & Training Office and the Kewa Keres Language Program, spent Saturday, June 7th immersed in nature to celebrate National Trails Day® at the Kasha-Katuwe Tent Rocks National Monument.

For many of their youth, this was their first visit to the monument, and it was truly special. The group enjoyed a day filled with hiking, strengthening their connection with the land and each other, and giving back through a service project.

The group shared, "This experience was more than just a hike; it was about learning, growing, and appreciating the beauty and history of our ancestral lands."

NEXTGEN TRAIL LEADERS CELEBRATE NATIONAL TRAILS DAY®



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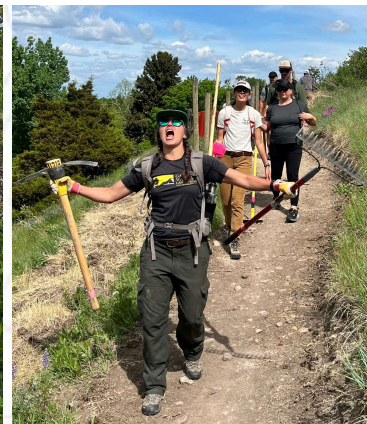
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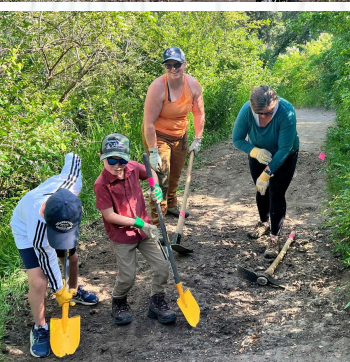
From community hikes that brought people together on the trail, to hands-on cleanups and thoughtful conversations about trail stewardship, American Hiking Society's NextGen Trail Leaders showed up in a big way for the 33rd annual National Trails Day® on Saturday, June 7, 2025.

Read more about how our NextGen Trail Leaders celebrated, the events they led, and the incredible impact they made across the country on the [American Hiking blog!](#)



Crabtree Falls is the tallest waterfall east of the Mississippi. Our hike was challenging with a significant amount of elevation gain in a short distance. Lots of stairs and switchbacks. But each view of the waterfall was unique and beautiful. The view was definitely worth the climb!

— 52 Hike Challenge - Virginia Chapter



We combined our Summer Trails Challenge June kick-off with our National Trails Day event. This opportunity allowed our NextGen Board to lead family friendly events during the trail work portion of the event.

We heard volunteers who joined through a corporate group really excited about the opportunity. "I had no idea that trails are maintained like this. This is so cool that I can help give back to trails that I use all the time."

— Gallatin Valley Land Trust, Bozeman, MT

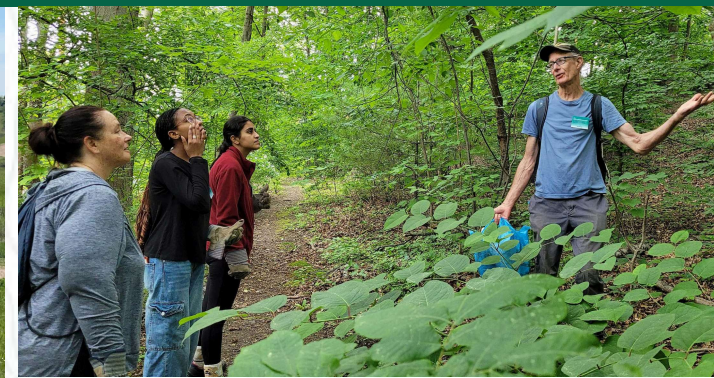


OVERHEARD ON THE TRAIL



This year, we had several parent- kid teams volunteering together. It was great to see parents introducing their children to volunteering for the first time!

— Town of Windsor, Windsor, CO



People Making a Difference (PMD) volunteers improved Iroquois Woods urban wild on Boston's Mission Hill by removing invasive black swallow wort and collecting trash & recyclables with dedicated neighbors.

One volunteer noted, "I liked that we learned a lot about how invasive species cause problems and how what we're doing is helping to make a difference (to biodiversity)."

— People Making a Difference (PMD), Boston, MA



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National Trails Day® is made possible thanks to the vital support of our corporate sponsors and federal partners. Their commitment and contributions power a nationwide movement of trail stewardship and advocacy, and we're proud to recognize their leadership in the hiking community. Together, we've created something truly impactful: a celebration of trails and the people who care for them in communities across the country. If you share this vision, we'd love to explore ways to team up for next year's National Trails Day®. Learn more at americanhiking.org/partners.