PARKS CONSERVANCY

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



CRISSY FIELD CENTER

Perched over the Crissy Field Marsh and at the forefront of the Conservancy's environmental education efforts, the Center aims to bring people of all backgrounds to the national parks we all share. Through awardwinning, innovative programs, the Center strives to cultivate a new genera-



tion of responsible environmental stewards.

GOLDEN GATE RAPTOR OBSERVATORY (GGRO)

Staffed almost entirely by volunteers, the GGRO has eyed the autumn skies for over 25 years,



monitoring one of the major migratory flyways in the U.S. In addition to counting thousands of birds of prey above the Marin Headlands, volunteers also band raptors and lead demonstrations for visitors.

NATIVE PLANT NURSERIES

The Parks Conservancy's Native Plant Nurseries represent the root of habitat restoration work. From seed gathering to on-site planting, volunteers bring native species back into our parks. Through the energy of six nurseries and over 2,000 volunteers each year, this program has



grown more than 2 million plants since 1997.

PARK STEWARDSHIP

For over 20 years, this program has engaged the community in the restoration of sensitive



park sites that are home to rare and endangered species such as the mission blue butterfly. Through hands-on stewardship, this program connects the public (with an emphasis on youth) with vital conservation work.

TRAILS FOREVER

Launched in 2003, this initiative galvanizes staff and volunteers in the renovation and expansion of park trails and the stewardship of lands north and south of the Golden Gate. Improving the vital links between people and the special places around them, Trails Forever fosters a deeper appreciation for our



natural, cultural, and historic treasures.

INSTITUTE AT THE GOLDEN GATE



Founded in 2008 as part of the post-topark transformation of Fort Baker, the Institute fosters cross-sector dialogue and action on social and environmental challenges. The Institute leverages parks as catalysts for promoting positive change in areas such as food systems, health, climate change, and urbanization.