



Our Work

What We Do

- We **advocate** for new trail access to wild and scenic destinations
- We **protect** trail access to the coastal, foothill and forest habitats of Santa Barbara County
- We **build** and maintain safe and sustainable trails for all types of nature-based recreation
- We **support** public agencies with trail planning, construction and maintenance services
- We **collaborate** with community organizations to enhance trail-based recreation for everyone
- We **educate** the community at large about issues that impact the Santa Barbara County trail network.
- We **raise funds** to construct and maintain trails through community outreach and philanthropic resources.

Community Outreach

- Advocating for the protection of existing trails and construction of new trails
- Advocating for new trails on the Gaviota Coast across state-owned properties
- Advocating for the California Coastal Trail (20 miles of trails from the Bacara Resort to Jalama County Park)
- Wayfinding project for the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail, California Missions Trail, and the California Coastal Trail on a 100-mile-long shared footprint

Health and Education Initiatives

- Explore Carpinteria (Partnership with community organizations)
- Healthy People Healthy Trails Program (Partnership with healthcare and recreation organizations)
- No. County Interim Coastal Trail Study (Support from SBCAG, Funded by SB 1 Sustainable Transportation Grant)
- Gaviota Coastal Trail and Access Study (Winner of two planning association awards for excellence)

Trail Projects

- Paradiso del Mare Coastal Trails (Planning, permitting and fundraising for 1.1 miles of the California Coastal Trail)
- Baron Ranch Trails (Planning/constructing 9 miles of trails before and after Alisal Fire)
- Franklin Trail (Planning/constructing 8 miles of trails before and after Thomas Fire)
- Midland School Ranch Trails (Planning/constructing 10 miles of trails in Santa Ynez Valley before and after the Lake Fire)
- Ellwood Mesa Coastal Trail & Habitat Restoration Planning (Helped Goleta Secure CDP for trails and habitat restoration)
- Rice Ranch Trail Network | Valley View Segment (Planning/construction of 3.0 miles of trails)
- Parma Park Trail Network (Planning for new and existing trails for the City of Santa Barbara)

Trail and Habitat Maintenance Projects

- Gaviota Coast State Parks (In partnership with State Parks)
- Midland School Ranch Trails (In partnership with the Midland School)
- County of Santa Barbara trails at Baron Ranch, Franklin Trails and elsewhere (In partnership with County Parks)
- Baron Ranch Habitat Restoration (one-acre habitat restoration project at trailhead entry)

Trails Council Programs

- Santa Barbara County Hikers (over 3000 members interested in group hikes)
- Santa Barbara Outdoor Volunteers (over 750 members – a partnership with other community organizations)
- Island View Trail Race Series (over 175 participants raising funds for trail maintenance)
- Five Peaks Challenge (over 250 participants)