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PASS AmeriCorps Joins the Creek to Bay Cleanup

Global Youth Service Day was established in 1988 to celebrate and mobilize young people to serve their community. For this National Day of Service, the PASS AmeriCorps took part in a community clean up on April 22nd, also honoring Earth Day. Thirty-eight AmeriCorps Members, the leadership team, and a few dedicated PASS students served and connected with our different communities through *I Love a Clean San Diego's* "Creek to Bay Cleanup". We cleaned creeks, parks, and streets to prevent ocean pollution. PASS AmeriCorps students also participated, with one Vista student noting that we were cleaning the neighborhood where his grandpar-

ents lived. The "Creek to Bay Cleanup" is held twice a year and the PASS AmeriCorps Program participates every spring.

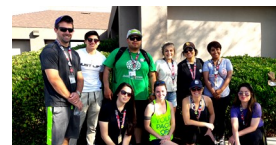
VCPUSD PASS Team
cleaned and made friends
with
spiders and
snakes at
Dixon Lake



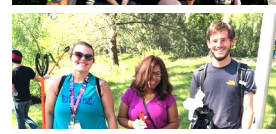
OUSD PASS Team
cleaned Loma Alta
Creek at Union Plaza



SDUSD PASS Team
cleaned Cesar
Chavez Park



VUSD PASS Team
cleaned at the Vista
Street Sweep near S.
Santa Fe Ave.



SMUSD PASS
Team cleaned at
Dixon Lake

**15th Annual
Creek to Bay Stats:**

www.creektobay.org

6,500 volunteers
(county-wide)

112
locations

Over 170,000 lbs.
of trash removed

PASS AmeriCorps Resume Workshop

Along with service to our youth and communities, the PASS AmeriCorps Program is dedicated to contributing to the professional growth and development of our Service Members. On April 17, 2017, PASS hosted a Resume Workshop.

First, we had a presentation on how to build an effective resume, with time to update and constructively critique each other's resumes. Then we learned tips on translating this year of service with PASS AmeriCorps onto our resumes, and had a little time to incorporate recommendations to make our resumes as job-market ready as possible.

We want to thank SDCOE Pro-

gram Specialist, Sal Garcia for presenting on "Technology Trends, Privacy Settings, and Protecting Your Personal Brand"; SDCOE Human Resources Project Specialist, Jessica Glover for presenting on "Interview/Resume Strategies and EdJoin", and giving us some tips from HR about how to make ourselves competitive; PASS AmeriCorps Support Supervisors, Yaneen Gutierrez for presenting on "Resume Building" and Teenie Le for presenting on "Interview Tips"; PASS AmeriCorps Service Members, Corey Bishop for presenting on "Social Media Networking: LinkedIn" and Jonathan Spicer for presenting on "Professional Etiquette in the Workplace."



**PASS
Ameri-
Corps
Service
Members**

**presenting at the
Resume
Workshop**

We wrapped up the day by practicing our answers to possible interview questions in mock interview breakout groups, facilitated by our guest speakers and PASS Support Supervisors.

We hope that the day was useful and informative, helping our PASS AmeriCorps Service Members as they begin transitioning into the end of their 2016-17 Term of Service with PASS.

San Marcos Elementary School

*Cassandra Gilliam,
PASS AmeriCorps Member*



Betsy completed the practice 5k during GOTR practice with her running buddy, Mrs. Wallace!

Hello SME!! Who can believe the school year is almost over? PASS just ended another successful month of service projects and learning! April's service project was centered on Earth Day. Students discussed, with Ms. Cass, ways to take care of the Earth and how they can be more aware of their actions that affect the environment. Afterwards, students wrote

an "Earth Day Promise" and created an art project to hang in the hallway outside of the PASS Room - 209. Stop by and see how our students plan to help the Earth! PASS students have been working hard on improving their behaviors and grades in the classroom, as well! Ms. Cass has frequent discussions about being attentive in class and participating in discussions.

Students continue to come into the PASS Room to work on writing and math. Ms. Cass has seen great improvement with many students! We also take time to have fun by playing Kahoot and Jenga. Let's push through the last weeks of school and stay motivated!

A message from

San Marcos Elementary:
Girls On The Run has their official 5k in Mission Bay on Sunday, May 7th! Be sure to offer words of encouragement to these girls before their big day!

San Marcos Middle School

*Morgan Cochran and Chase Erickson,
PASS AmeriCorps Members*

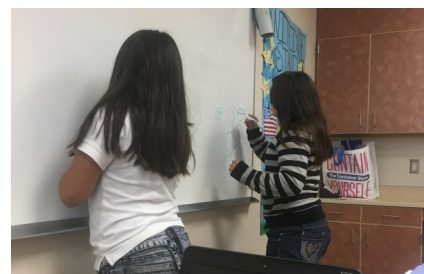
During April, the PASS AmeriCorps Program at San Marcos Middle School has focused on life-skill groups for sixth, seventh, and eighth graders. Our sixth grade group participated in a lesson on honesty in which they role-played situations which would give them the choice to tell the truth or lie. After these scenarios, our students discussed the im-

portance of being honest and the consequences of lying. Our seventh grade groups participated in a maze challenge that allowed them to work as a team while learning the importance of patience, communication and focus. Finally, our eighth grade groups completed a lesson on overcoming challenges and dealing with changes in order

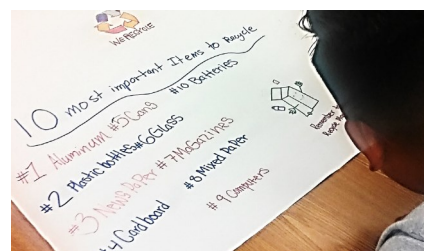
to help prepare them for high school. Our students also participated in an Earth Day service project which allowed them to learn about the importance of saving energy, recycling and experiencing our beautiful planet. They used this knowledge to create posters that promoted ways to protect Earth.



Vanessa S. from San Marcos Middle, holds up the "kingdom map" that she created for a project in history class.



PASS Students compete to answer multiplication facts asked by Ms. Cass at San Marcos Elementary. Practice makes perfect!



PASS student at San Marcos Middle School makes a drawing for a poster about the importance of recycling.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Last PASS Monthly Mtg NCREC Comm Labs 1-3 2:00pm-4:00pm	2	3	4 <i>Monica's Birthday</i>	5 <i>Cinco de Mayo</i>	6  JOIN HANDS DAY It starts with us <i>NDS: Join Hands Day</i>
7	8	9 FINAL Reviews – NCREC	10 FINAL Reviews – NCREC	11 FINAL Reviews – NCREC	12 FINAL Reviews – SDCOE	13
14 <i>Mother's Day</i>	15	16 Life After AmeriCorps SDCOE Room 401-402 8:00am-5:00pm	17 <i>Mikayla's Birthday</i>	18 <i>Zach's Birthday</i>	19	20 
21	22	23 <i>Teenie's Birthday</i>	24 Honoring Women in Prevention Celebration Returning PASS ACs Only	25 Newsletters Due	26	27
28	29  memorial DAY All Districts & SDCOE Closed	30	31 intent to Serve Due \$ Automatic Stipend Deposit			

May 1st – Last PASS AmeriCorps All Staff Meeting – NCREC Comm Labs 1-3 – 2:00pm-4:00pm (2 MD)
 May 9-12th – FINAL Performance Reviews – Schedule will be emailed out (2 MD)
 May 16th – Life After AmeriCorps Training – SDCOE Room 401-402 – 8:00am-5:00pm (9 MD)
 May 24th – Honoring Women in Prevention Celebration – Returning PASS ACs ONLY – Information will be sent out (9 MD)
 May 31st – Intent to Serve for 2017-18 School Year Due – Email to Monica