



GOALS For Valcrest

2022 Camp Restoration Priorities



For the past year and a half, GOALS has worked closely with the City of Los Angeles /Recreation and Parks and United States Forest Service, on a major plan to restore and revive a historic wilderness camp— Camp Valcrest - located about 75 miles from our GOALS headquarters in the Angeles National Forest. The camp was built over an 8 year period dating back to the early 1940's but was closed in 1999 by the City of LA .

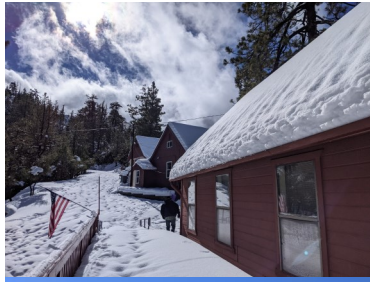
- ♦ GOALS has just succeeded in gaining a 20 year approved agreement to assume full responsibility for the Camp's revival and eventual full operation. GOALS has already conducted substantial service and assessment there—and made noticeable headway by securing the surviving facilities, and mapping out a clear schedule for both restoration and eventual use. The overall financial need is estimated at a million dollars over a 3 year basis, with initial partial operations hoped for by the Summer of '23. GOALS hopes to blend a combination of in-kind volunteerism, construction donations, philanthropic support, and potentially public sector grant help as well.
- ♦ The GOALS operating plan envisions an eventual *annual* camping opportunity for as many as 500 or more “at-promise” youngsters—all of whom will be hosted at no charge. GOALS also intends to integrate AmeriCorps service members and our own GOALS Cadets service crews, to support the camp's maintenance and operating needs, mentoring and camp leadership, and also to support the environmental needs of the surrounding forested areas. As with all GOALS programs, all operations will be vertically integrated including transportation, camp management, youth activities, camp education and environmental awareness.
- ♦ Due to the long (22 year) period of the camp's dormant state, some of the structures will require significant repairs—while others are in surprisingly decent condition. The camp is supplied by electricity, has an operative septic system (assessed and now put back in order by GOALS' extensive maintenance already), a once operative underground water, and propane gas distribution system, and several water tanks in various states of maintenance needs. A once operative well is not functioning and the overall water source(s), storage and distribution of both potable and non-potable water (as a fire fighting resource) is a key parallel infrastructure priority for attention, along with a staged restoration plan in place for the key camp buildings to enable operation.
- ♦ GOALS has already deployed four full-time AmeriCorps Vista staff members to assist with project development and the camp project's leadership is being headed by our Executive Director, Dave Wilk. With our 20+ years of experience in developing “turn-key” projects for the ultimate benefit of youngsters, this latest major initiative should prove to be our most challenging endeavor to date. But we also welcome this as an undertaking given the remarkable upside potential this camp holds. One that should enable, during the course of our commitment, some 10,000 children to enjoy the life changing experiences that they otherwise would never have.

So we fully embrace this exciting new adventure along with the great opportunity that this presents on so many levels. What an incredible chance to reclaim such a diamond in the dust and with it the potential to inspire young lives along with it. We welcome involvement from all interested!

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PHASE 1 Restoration Forecast Camp Valcrest 2022



Infrastructure:

Water Tanks –potable water

Repair/reline 2 steel tanks already on-site. Replumb all valves and reroute for master controls and filtering inside the camp

Cost estimate: \$25,000



Infrastructure: Water Tank—non-potable

Repair 100,000 gallon concrete water tank for non-potable (fire) fighting use. Roof and lining repair needed.

Cost estimate \$100,000+

Water source and distribution

Needs assessment, all plumbing, filtration, and fire hoses

Cost unclear. Likely range is \$50,000 to \$75,000.



Camp Lodge

Internal and external repairs of this 3,000 square foot structure. ADA and other deferred maintenance must be completed.

Cost \$75,000—\$100,000



3 “Dorm” Cabins (main youth lodging). Total approximately 2,000 square feet.

Internal and external repairs of these three key cabins.

Cost: \$25,000/cabin = \$75,000

Canteen Cabin restoration

Internal and external repairs to this Lodge/food support small cabin.

Cost: \$7,500



Camp Amphitheatre

External restoration. All seating and surroundings. Ideal GOALS Cadets/AmeriCrps project.

Cost: \$5,000

Camp Activity Areas

Restore Volleyball zone

@ \$5,000 each zone

Restore Horseshoe zones

Total: \$15,000

Restore Archery Zone



Infrastructure:

Camp main road (portion)

Rebuild/repave middle “S” area of ruined roadbase.

\$50,000—approximately 1,000 x 15 feet of the 1/4 mile road system.



Complete interior & exterior improvements to Utility, Workshop, Base, Showerhouse, Storage and Out-

Primarily paint and sealing needs remain. Major work has already been completed through service efforts.

\$25,000

**ESTIMATED PHASE 1
Completion**

**Goal to complete by
12/31/22**

\$477,500



GOALS For Valcrest Restoration Remaining after 2022

Phases 2 & 3

- ◆ Restoration of 8 “Summer Cabins”. Each approximately 400 square feet. Several to be utilized as ***Camp Education and Activity Cabins***. Estimated restoration will be about \$20,000 apiece. \$160,000 total.
- ◆ Completed restoration of the ***main Camp road***. Approximately 1,500 additional feet (lower and upper portions.) Estimated cost \$75,000.
- ◆ Restoration of the ***lower bridges and Camp baseball/playing field***. Estimated cost \$50,000
- ◆ Repurposing of the old pool and pool house structure into a ***Camp Recreation Center*** with play rink, splash zone, BBQ area and working showers/bath area. Estimated cost \$150,000.

Estimated additional costs 2023—2024: \$435,000 to completion.

Camp should be partially operative by Summer ‘23, fully operative by Summer ‘24