



May 4, 2020

TO: Our community of supporters
FROM: American River Conservancy (ARC) Leadership

RE: Covid-19 Response and Relief Efforts by ARC

While social distancing and shelter-in place orders due to COVID-19 have isolated us all, ARC remains united in support of our community's health and well-being. During the pandemic, ARC has leveraged resources in new and creative ways, including:

- Offered rent relief to the farmers at Wakamatsu Farm;
- Donated weekly organic produce to those in need via Gold Trail Union School District and The Center for Violence-Free Relationships thanks to a Covid-19 relief grant from the Sacramento Region Community Foundation;
- Established the Nature Center as a drop site for a Snack Food Drive benefitting our local domestic violence safe house;
- Established the Nature Center as a drop site for mask-making materials;
- Offered webinars as a new option for outdoor education;
- Encouraged staff to volunteer paid time in our community to help those in need (safely, of course);
- Followed California State mandates for social distancing and avoiding public gatherings; and
- Continuous cleaning and sanitization of Nature Center to prepare for reopening.

Thanks to our supporters, board, and staff, so many ripples are helping so many lives while keeping us all connected. Feel free to join us or contact us if you want to help too. Thank you for continuing to support ARC and our mission of ensuring healthy communities for all.

Sincerely,

Elena DeLacy
Executive Director