UC CLIMATE STEWARDS

RCRCD
Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District

Inland Empire
UC Climate Stewards
Program
Spring 2021
REGISTRATION FORM

Thank you for your interest in the Inland Empire UC Climate Stewards Program! Registration and signed Participant Agreement forms and class fees are due Friday May 28, 4pm. You will NOT be allowed to attend class if you have not paid your registration fee! For information regarding the submittal of registration and payment, please see the Class Fee and Participation sections.

Contact Information

***Required Information**

*Name _____ Date of Application _____

*Email _____

*Mailing Address (Street, City, State, Zip) _____

*Phone _____

Organizational Affiliation, if you have one _____

QUESTIONNAIRE

Please complete all of the questions (feel free to use additional space on the back if needed)
Your answers will help the instructors tailor the course to the needs and interests of the class.

1. Please give your reason(s) for applying for the Climate Stewards Program?

2. Describe your volunteer experience. Please include the organizations and roles you have played.

3. Please describe your outdoor, nature, or science-based experiences. Include any college degrees and relevant training. Please indicate any areas of personal interest.

4. Do you have any special skills or expertise? (In addition to any "naturalist skills", (birder, geologist, restoration expert) do you have any other skills that may be useful during this class (artist, teacher, computer specialist, marketing, finance, writing, photography, teaching, other)

5. How did you learn about this Climate Stewards course (CA Naturalist website, RCRCD website, social media, friend, flyer, etc.)

Health Information

1. *Please list all allergies (including foods):

2. *Are there any physical or health conditions that might require special attention or medications you take on a regular basis? If so, please explain:

3. *Field trips may require standing and walking for long periods of time on uneven terrain. Are you able to participate under these conditions? If not, please explain.

Participant Agreement

***Attendance**

To become a Certified California Climate Steward, participants are expected to attend all Thursday evening classes. Only two evening class sessions can be missed and the participant will be expected to complete make-up assignments at the direction of the instructor.

☐ I have read and agree to the terms of attendance.

*Participant Requirements

Class participants are required to complete a final capstone project either individually, with a partner, or in a group. Additional requirements include field trips, online reading and assignments on CANVAS and reading the handbook.

☐ I have read and agree to the participant requirements.

*Computer Access

Communication to members of the class will be via email; documents will be sent electronically. Computer availability is essential. online class session will be via Zoom and class assignments will be on CANVAS. Following training, California Climate Stewards use the web-based Volunteer Management System for recording hours and to access opportunities, activities, and teaching materials.

☐ I have the ability to open and send documents and emails, and have internet access.

***Class Fees**

- Tuition: $275
- The California Climate Steward Handbook must be accessed online.

My payment will be by:

☐ I agree to send payment to the RCRCD upon completion of this form to secure a spot for myself in the program.

Form of Payment:

☐ Check made out to Riverside-Corona Resource Conservation District (can
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Cash – DO NOT MAIL. Bring cash payment to the address below.

* **Volunteer Hours**

All graduates are strongly encouraged to complete a minimum of 40 hours of volunteer service for a local science- based organization during or following completion of the program. Completion of 40 submitted hours qualifies you for an annual California Climate Steward Service Pin.

☐ After completion of the course, I will pursue a minimum of 40 hours of volunteer service.

* **Refund Policy**

Registrants may **cancel up to two weeks before** the first day of instruction for a full refund, minus a $50 administrative fee. **Last day for a full refund will be Thursday May 20 .** Registrants that can successfully refer another student to replace their spot in the course prior to the first day of class will receive a full refund. Registrants that experience extenuating circumstances after the start of class, such as a verifiable medical, may be awarded a partial refund. **No other cancellations, for any other reason, will result in a refund.**

I have read and agree to the refund policy.

Scholarships

There are a limited number of partial scholarships. If you are interested, please fill out the scholarship application, submit it with the registration form, and wait to send payment until you hear about your scholarship application status.

Please return this registration form and signed participant agreement with payment to the address listed below. You may also turn your forms and payment into the RCRCD in person, Monday through Friday 8am-3:30pm.

If you have any questions about the course, registration process, or scholarships, please contact California Climate Steward course coordinator and instructor, Erin Snyder.

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