


Tonto National Forest – Volunteer Vacations 2024

April 7th - April 13th

Sunflower - Bushnell Tanks Trailhead, AZ 85263



Quick Facts:

- Project Rating: Strenuous 
- Group Size: 5-9
- Project Type: Backpacking
- Accommodations: Primitive Tent Sites
- Temperature:
 - Average High: 88°
 - Average Low: 57°



Project Description:

- Explore Arizona's largest national forest and provide critical support to trails in Tonto National Forest! The Tonto National Forest landscapes include Sonoran Desert cacti and flat lands that lead into the highlands of the Mogollon Rim, with elevations ranging from 1,300 to 7,900 feet. Volunteers on this project will experience Tonto National Forest's thru-hiker season and provide support to outdoor enthusiasts with this project.
- Volunteers will provide critical maintenance on a remote section of the Arizona National Scenic Trail that has been impacted by fires in the last decade. The trail work will include tread repair, rock work, brushing, and general trail maintenance.

Offsite Activity Description:

- Host will organize a visit to an undeveloped rock ruin called "Spanish Fort", and volunteers will have the opportunity to hike the nearby City Creek Trail.



Area and Attractions:

- The Mazatzal Wilderness contains some of the most rugged and remote parts of the Arizona National Scenic Trail with almost 71 miles between passenger-car access points. Unlike its more famous cousin to the south, the Superstition, the Mazatzal is dominated by pine and brush covered mountains, near vertical walled canyons and unique quartzite cliffs.

Travel Details:

- Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport in Phoenix, Arizona is the closest major airport. Airport pick up and drop off is available for volunteers and will be arranged upon confirmation of the trip.



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