



Anyone, Anywhere Global Hike for OneSky

PLANNING TOOLKIT

At OneSky, we believe that all children should have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Since 2011, our OneSky Charity Hike has been a cherished annual tradition in Hong Kong for families, friends and supporters.

This year, we're expanding the event to include hikers from around the globe and hosting an in-person kick-off hike if you're in the Bay Area!

We hope this toolkit makes it easy for you to participate, and if you still have questions after you read it, feel free to contact Misty Castaneda at misty.castaneda@onesky.org.

We are excited that you will be joining us in a **fundraising hike** for **OneSky for all children** during the month of October.

From first time hikers to seasoned trekkers, everyone can feel great knowing they are taking steps to raise funds to help marginalized children in OneSky's programs in Asia!

There are multiple ways to participate, and this planning toolkit will help you prepare for any of them:

- First, wherever you are located, you can participate in the **Anyone, Anywhere Global Hike** any time during the month of October. Pick a time, choose a place, and invite your friends and family!
- You can also challenge yourself and your friends to individual "hike" goals, like walking thirty minutes every day in October or hiking every weekend!
- And, if you live in the Bay Area in California, you can join OneSky for our **in-person kick-off hike at Lafayette Reservoir** on October 5, 2024.

Registration Information

Global Hike (Month-long)

Registration cost is \$25 per individual, and includes a t-shirt plus access to an online fundraising site to track your contributions!

In-Person Hike

Registration cost is \$30 per individual, \$130 per group of 5, and \$250 per group of 10, and includes a parking pass, t-shirt, goodie bag, water and post-hike ice cream for each participant!

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HERE](#)

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BAY AREA KICK-OFF
HIKE HERE](#)

What to Consider When Planning Your Anyone, Anywhere Global Hike

- Pick a date and time for your hike during the month of October. For anyone in the Bay Area, join us in person on October 5th for a kick-off hike (more details on the following page).
- Identify a group of hikers and supporters that you think would enjoy hearing about OneSky's work and might want to contribute to our mission, either by joining you on a hike or pledging to support your personal hike challenge. All hikers will receive a OneSky hike t-shirt upon registration!
- Decide how "big" you want to go. Is this a stroll outside with friends, or an ambitious hike covering lots of terrain? Make it fun, and challenge yourself to walk every week and watch it add up for the children. Whatever you think might attract friends and families to join you or support you. Select a location that reflects this effort.
- Share your fundraising page with your networks so that your family and friends can support your hiking goal and OneSky – we've made it easy to set up a personalized page (more info below). You may ask for a single donation or consider suggesting an "amount per mile" to go the distance for the children in OneSky programs.

Hike Supporting Materials

[Online Fundraising Page](#). We've made it easy for your community to support you with online donations! Simply [follow this link](#) and click the "Join Campaign" button. You'll be prompted to enter your first and last name, an email address, a few words about why you're supporting this campaign, and an optional personal fundraising goal before clicking on the "Launch Fundraiser" Button. Your personal fundraising page is now ready to share with the world!

[Pledge Sheet](#). If you're not using the online fundraising page but would like to track donations, here's a convenient pledge sheet you can print out.

[One Page Description of OneSky](#). For a brief description of OneSky and our work, here's information you can share with your friends and hike sponsors. You can also send it to anyone you invited who sent their regrets about the hike.



Day of the Hike

Meet your fellow hikers at your chosen location and prepare for a day of fun!

Suggestion: Take a few minutes before you start the hike to gather everyone together and give a brief introduction of OneSky. Perhaps share how you came to know about OneSky, why you support us, and why you are encouraging them to support us, too. You don't need us to prepare words for you – just speak from the heart and tell your own story.

If you want to share some facts about OneSky, we have included our latest fact sheet under supporting materials that details our work and its impact.

Take photos of your event and post them on social media using the hashtags [#OneSkyGlobalHike](#) and [#AnyoneAnywhereHike](#).

Note that some individuals may also want to give you cash or a check at the event. Checks should be made payable to **OneSky**. Please collect these and mail them to: OneSky for all children, 1832 Second Street, Suite K, Berkeley, CA 94710.

A few days after your hike, post an update on your fundraising page and social media to thank your hike supporters.

Kick-Off Hike in the San Francisco Bay Area

If you are joining us on October 5th for our Bay Area kick-off hike at the Lafayette Reservoir, there are a few things to know:

Event Details:

9:00am - 1:30pm PDT

Saturday, October 5th, 2024

Lafayette Reservoir Upper Picnic Site
3849 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette, CA

Conveniently accessible from anywhere in the Bay!

We are meeting at the Upper Reserved Picnic Area, adjacent to the Upper Parking Lot.

The trail hikes will start and end at this location.

Please arrive at the Reservoir and follow signs/volunteers towards the Upper Parking Lot to park. We will be handing out your parking pass as you park. Once you park, make your way to the Registration Table to check-in.

OneSky staff will be at the site as early as 9:00am if you want to start your day off with a hike. Or if you want to plan your hike around an after-hike ice cream (on us), be sure to plan your hike to be back at the registration area between 11:30am and 1:00pm.

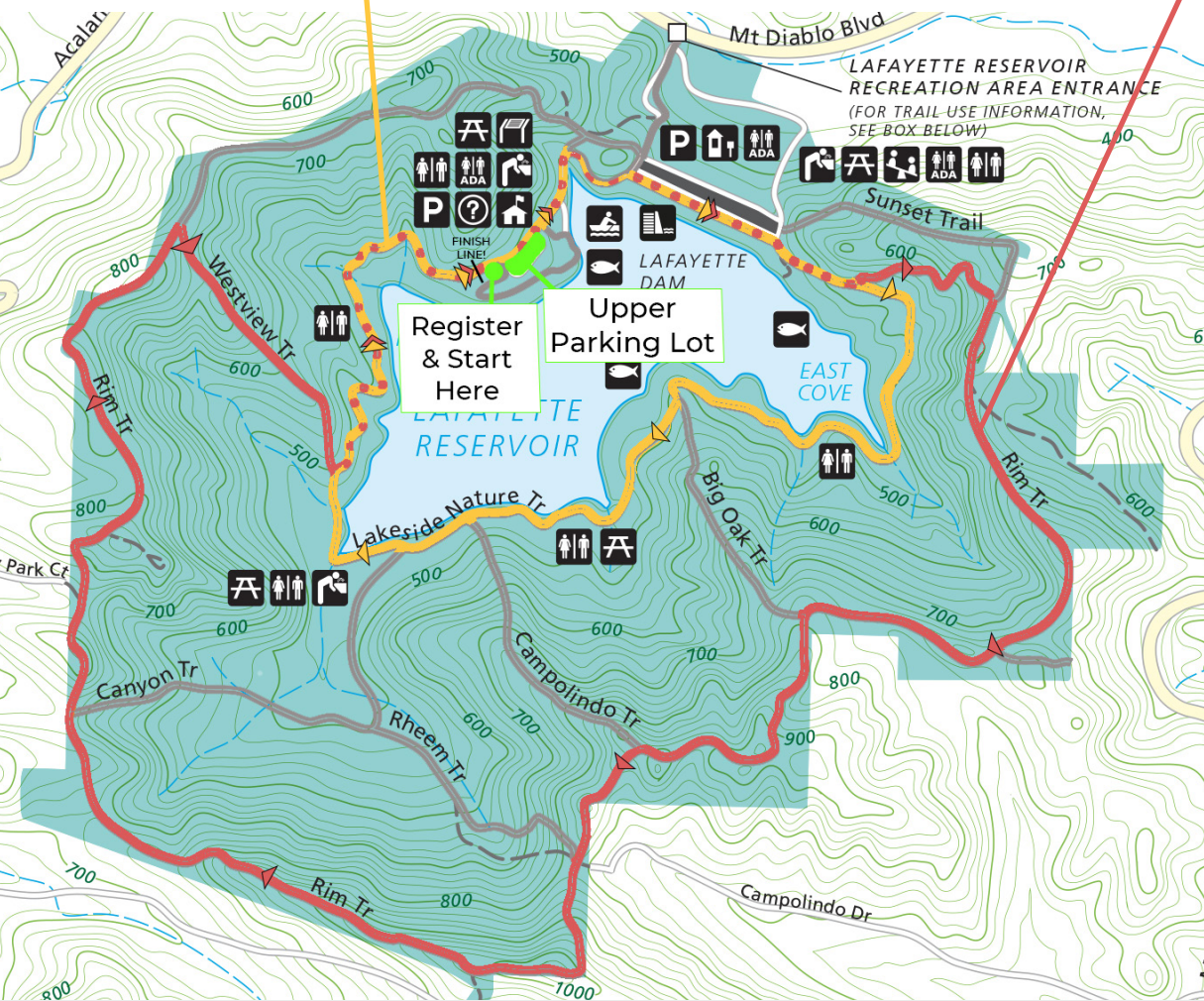
To help you plan, the Loop Trail hike will take about an hour. The Rim Trail hike will take about two and a half hours – map and details below:

The Loop Trail (~1 Hour Hike)

A leisurely ~3 mile hike on a partially shaded paved pathway. There are a few small hills and benches to rest along the way. Suitable for all ages and walking levels.

The Rim Trail (~2.5 Hour Hike)

A moderately difficult ~5 mile hike over dirt paths with partial shade and some steep climbs. Suitable for more experienced hikers, feel free to bring your trekking poles.



Please be aware: Hot weather this time of year is common. Please check the weather report in advance, and bring appropriate supplies – a water bottle or hydropack to stay hydrated along the trail and a hat for extra shade. Poison oak and yellow jackets are common throughout the region, so please use caution and follow park rules by staying on the trail, and do not reach for or collect plants or leaves.

FAQs

How long should my hike be? The hike can be as long as you'd like it to be. Either a casual walk with the family or a longer distance if you're a skilled hiker.

What should I make sure my guests bring with them to the hike? Water, sturdy shoes, a sun hat and sunscreen.

What should happen if there is bad weather on the day of my scheduled hike? Safety is of the utmost importance. Please use your best judgment and if needed, try to reschedule. If there is bad weather on the day of the Lafayette Reservoir hike we will reach out to all registrants to let them know if we must reschedule/cancel.

Get Ready to Hike!

Thank you again for joining us as we continue to support years of transforming young children's lives through access to nurturing childcare and safe spaces to play and learn.

Contact Us

Misty Castaneda @ misty.castaneda@onesky.org is ready to answer any questions you have about the online fundraising page or registration, or any questions you might have about specific programs or talk with one of your guests if they want to learn more about OneSky.

Roberta O'Hara @ roberta@onesky.org is ready to answer any questions you might have about the event or questions you might have about OneSky.

