

Friends of North Creek Forest

In August 2016, the OYC contributed \$3,000 to North Creek Forest to help support their Forest Field Trip Program.

North Creek Forest is located in Bothell, Washington, north of Seattle. Friends of North Creek Forest is restoring this ecologically significant upland conifer forest to its highest ecological function.

The Forest Field Trip Program engages youth in grades K-12 in a stewardship role by combining science, service and exploration in the forest. By providing an engaging experience for these youth, who come from schools very near the forest, the intent is to create an emotional connection and desire to protect it. The grant covers a portion of the costs for staff and intern time, volunteer training, supplies and equipment to be used in the field trip program. As many as 500 students can participate each year in this program.

Outdoor Youth Connections supports Friends of North Creek Forest in their focus on connections between an urban forest, water quality, salmon, and the health of Puget Sound, as well as connections between K-12 classrooms, colleges and community groups.



