

National Get Outdoors Day (GO Day) Report 2011

July 20, 2011 (Washington, D.C.) - To combat the threats posed by today's indoor, inactive lifestyles – including the obesity epidemic and concern that today's kids will live shorter lives than their parents due to lifestyle choices – several hundred local, state and federal agencies, diverse nonprofit organizations in the health and youth-services fields, the recreation community and media interests teamed up to host the fourth annual **National Get Outdoors Day (GO Day)** on June 11, 2011. The national effort was again led by the U.S. Forest Service (FS) and the American Recreation Coalition (ARC), but the number and diversity of the organizations involved nationally and locally increased sharply. Uniting these partners was a shared belief in the mission of National Get Outdoors Day:

Unify public and private-sector interests in efforts to influence American lifestyles, especially among youth, in ways that maximize the physical, mental and other benefits derived from activities in the Great Outdoors through a focused effort to invite Americans to designated sites on a single day, as well as to highlight and assist the efforts of National Get Outdoors Day partners year-round.

GO Day 2011 was built around offering opportunities for American families to experience traditional and non-traditional types of outdoor activities, regardless of past experience, skills or ownership of equipment. Those Americans currently underserved by visits to public lands and waters and youth – especially urban youth – were priority targets for the events. GO Day organizers accepted a challenge: making the appeal of the Great Outdoors equal that of shopping malls and video games. And they met this challenge with exceptional results.

The fourth annual GO Day featured over 117 official sites in 36 states. Collectively, these sites welcomed almost 40,000 new faces to the joys and benefits of the Great Outdoors. GO Day



A participant from Washington, D.C. climbs a rock wall for the first time.



A young girl enjoys the outdoors in Salt Lake City, Utah.

events across the country helped support the First Lady's Let's Move Outside initiative, which seeks to eliminate childhood obesity within one generation by promoting healthy outdoor activity. Official GO Day sites across the nation included signature sites in Denver, Vancouver, Mesa (Arizona), San Bernardino (California), Apple Valley (Minnesota), Salt Lake City, Milwaukee, and Washington, D.C., and welcomed tens of thousands of new faces to the Great Outdoors.

GO Day activities at all of the sites provided introductions to active outdoor recreation opportunities as well as education. The activities ranged from recycling education, fishing education, and water safety, to casting technique, archery, hayrides, and fishing. Children participated in canoeing, nature walks, geocaching, high rope adventures, rock climbing, and mountain biking, and checked out environmental/ conservation education stations and camping demonstrations. Children participated in fire-fighting activities with a fire engine and associated equipment, and played outdoor games like jump roping, hula hoops and hopscotch. There was disc golf and model boat sailing, nature art, drawing, face painting as well as wildlife education featuring live animals. Joe Reilly, environmental educator and the official GO Day Troubadour, performed live in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and his song "Let's Go Outside" was played at locations across the country. A USDA People's Garden was installed by GO Day participants on Kingman Island in Washington, D.C. Information on the Presidential Active Lifestyle Award (PALA) was distributed to hundreds of children in the hopes of encouraging them to commit to regular physical activity. And many sites provided photo opportunities and a chance for children to interact with characters like Smokey Bear, Woodsy Owl, Bobber the Water Safety Dog and other interesting costumed characters.



The Fremont, California was a huge success, attracting over 2,000 participants from the San Francisco Bay area.



Smokey Bear helps the U.S. Forest Service swear in Junior Rangers in Washington, D.C.

Some sites featured areas that focused on other aspects of healthy living, including sustainability, good nutrition and outdoor ethics. Overall, the goal was to ensure that the fun and excitement of GO Day triggered a resolution for participants to make getting outdoors part of their everyday lives.

National Get Outdoors Day was launched on June 14, 2008, in response to a growing number of disturbing reports about today's youth, particularly in relationship to their health and daily activities. Today's American youth

average 7.5 hours per day in front of a screen and are six times more likely to play a computer game than to ride a bike. Kids report that outdoor adventure is fun – but that outdoor activities are invisible, lost in a clutter of mass media ads, road signs and information over phones and computers, and overshadowed by malls offering food, friends and “perfect” weather. The USDA Forest Service and ARC agreed to lead an inclusive, nationwide effort focusing on a single day when people would be inspired and motivated to get outdoors. GO Day brought federal, state and local agencies, key enthusiast organizations and recreation businesses together to create a healthy, fun

day of outdoor adventure aimed at reaching first-time visitors to public lands and reconnecting children to the outdoors.

The achievements of GO Day 2011 are impressive:

- 40,000 American families and children participated in GO Day events across the nation (see graph).

- Over 500 organizations made GO Day

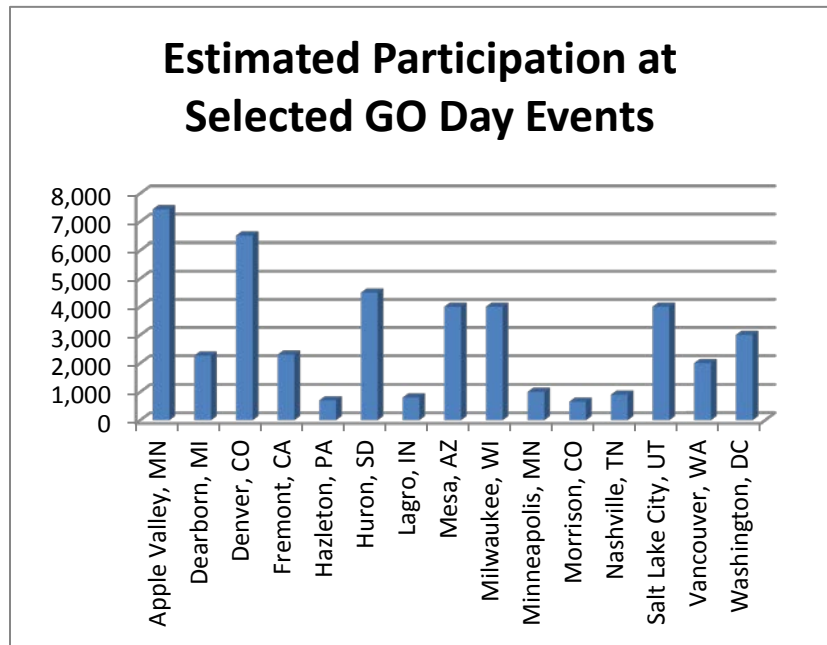
events possible due to their generous support, time and donations (a complete list of partners is available below).

- Giveaways donated by the U.S. Forest Service, REI, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and many more provided additional incentives for GO Day participants to enjoy the outdoors beyond June 11.
- 117 official sites in 36 states and the District of Columbia celebrated GO Day; additionally, there were a number of non-official sites that helped achieve GO Day goals.
- The GO Day Facebook page climbed to over 1,000 followers.
- GO Day enjoyed widespread media coverage, including over 1,000 print and online articles, radio spots, television and news features, YouTube clips, pages and articles on social media sites like Facebook and Twitter, and more.
- GO Day was specifically mentioned in two of almost 50 state proclamations of Great Outdoors Month, which provided a showcase for local actions by governors and mayors. President Obama also proclaimed June to be Great Outdoors Month.

To check out links to media click below.

- http://wamu.org/news/11/06/07/festival_aims_to_get_kids_outdoors.php
- <http://kstp.com/article/stories/S2151753.shtml>
- <http://www.ksfy.com/category/185294/video?clipId=5910992&autostart=true>
- http://seattletimes.nwsourc.com/html/reeltimenorthwest/2015232052_free_fishin_g_events_happening.html

The visibility of GO Day has only continued to increase as excitement about the event builds across the nation. Dramatic increases in partner organizations and media coverage demonstrate the growing enthusiasm and support for the event dedicated to getting people engaged in healthy, outdoor activities. The GO Day



National Coordinating Committee will continue gathering suggestions on how to build and improve GO Day events across the nation. The GO Day National Coordinating Committee welcomes any additional feedback from guests and participants of GO Day 2011. Plans for GO Day 2012 are already underway across the nation. If you would like to host a GO Day event in 2012, please contact Tom Georgevits at the American Recreation Coalition at tgeorgevits@funoutdoors.com or 202-682-9530.

For more information on GO Day, please visit: www.nationalgetoutdoorsday.org.

National Get Outdoors Day Coordinators

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National Get Outdoors Day Partners

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Alabama Marine Police
Alabama Wildlife Federation
Alder Creek Kayak and Canoe
Alice Ferguson Foundation
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Alpino Mountain Sports Foundation
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Anacostia Watershed Society
Anniston Outdoor Association
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Asthma & Allergy Center of SW Washington
At Your Leisure
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Aura Hoops
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Berks County Parks
Berks County Safe Kids
Berks County Sheriff's K9 Unit
Berks County Water Rescue Task Force
Bicycle Space
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The Bike Depot
Blue Marsh Sailing Association
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Boy Scouts of America*

*Boy Scouts of America, Hawk Mountain Council
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Bureau of Land Management
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Camp Tanadoona (Campfire USA)
Carver County 4-H
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Carver County Sheriff's Office
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City of Milwaukee
City of Vancouver Urban Forestry
City of Vancouver Water Center
City of Vancouver Water Wagon
Clark Public Utilities Stream Team
Clearwater Nature Center - MNCPPC
Cletus
The Coleman Company
College Times Newspaper
Colorado Army National Guard
Colorado Division of Wildlife
The Colorado Governor's Council on Physical Fitness
Colorado Lottery
The Colorado Mountain Club
Colorado State Parks
Colorado Youth Corps Association
Columbia Gorge National Scenic Area
Conservation Corps of Minnesota
Coosa Valley Electric (Bucket Truck Ball Drop)
Cottonwood Institute
Cumberland River Compact
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DDOE Aquatic Resources Education Center
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Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor
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Denver Health
Denver Museum of Nature & Science
Denver Parks and Recreation
Denver Urban Gardens
Denver Water
Detroit Aero Modelers
Detroit Synergy
The Denver Zoo
The Discovery Center in the Dalles
Drumming Shumway's AMP Your Brain
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East Dakota Water Development District
Echo Mountain
Eckley Miners Village
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Encore, Thousand Trails, NACO, Leisuretime
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Fitness Scouts Educational Stage
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Friends of Dinosaur Ridge
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Friends of Rouge Park
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Houdini Llewellyn Setters
Hudson Valley Orienteering
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Indiana Department of Natural Resources
Jacks
Jefferson Conservation District
Jefferson County Open Space
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Jones Creek Tread Lightly Program
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Leave No Trace/Big City Mountaineers
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Live Well Luzerne County
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Main Street Trader
Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Lake Patrol
Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Mounted Patrol
Maryland DNR Water Trails Program
Master Composter and Recycler
Master Naturalists
McCann School of Business and Technology
Miami Valley Bassmasters
Michigan Department of Natural Resources
Michigan Geocaching Association
Michigan Scholastic Cycling Association
Michigan State University Extension
Middle Creek Search and Rescue
Millcreek Township
Milwaukee Art Museum
Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board
Minnesota Darkhouse & Angling Association
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
Minnesota Rovers
Minnesota Zoo
Mount Hood National Forest
Mount St. Helens Institute
Mountainsmith
Mumford High School Alumni Association
Munford Church of Christ
Munford Elementary School
Munford Elementary Science Camp
Munford PTA
NAACP Urban Youth Program

National Brotherhood of Skiers
National Environmental Education Foundation
National Marine Fisheries Service
National Park Service
National Sports Center for the Disabled
National Wild Turkey Federation
National Wildlife Federation
Nature Adventures Live
Nature Conservancy
New York State Parks
New-Pen-Del Newfoundland Club
Next Adventure
No Barriers USA
The NorthFace
Nutmeg RC Flyers
Oregon Zoo
Outdoor Recreation Information Center
Outdoor Women of South Dakota
Outward Bound
Pacific Crest Trail Association
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Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission
Performance Mobility
Phoenix Hikes
Portland Parks and Recreation Climbing Wall
Portland Parks and Recreation Outdoors
President's Council on Fitness, Sports and Nutrition
Putnam Highland Audubon
R&D Tree Service
Raider Boats
RBFF and Future Fisherman Foundation
Reading Fire Department Dive Team
Red Branch Hurling Club
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Riverside Kayaking Connection
Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
Rocky Mountain Orienteering Club
Rocky Mountain Wanderers
Safe Kids
Sajai Foundation
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Salt River Tubing
Scheels
Sea Scout Ship 876
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South Dakota Department of Agriculture
South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks
South Dakota Discovery Center
South Dakota Fellowship of Christian Sportsmen
South Dakota Geological Survey
South Dakota Izaak Walton League
South Dakota State Fair
South Dakota State University - Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
South Dakota Taxidermy Association
South Dakota Trappers Association
South Dakota Wildlife Federation
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Sportainability
St. Joseph Hospital
State of Utah
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Stevens County 4-H
Summerfest
Susquehanna Greenway Partnership
Talladega EMA
Talladega International Tractor
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Town of Munford
Town of Sutton
Trails for Youth
Tri State Steelheaders
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U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
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U.S. Department of Agriculture
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
U.S. Geological Survey
University of Milwaukee Sea Grant Institute
USDA Master Gardeners
USDA People's Gardens
Utah Family
Vail Resorts - Bicycle Village
Vail Resorts Echo
Vancouver Community Concert Band
Vancouver Pizza
Vancouver Watershed Council
Vancouver-Clark Parks & Recreation
Veteran's Green Jobs
Virtual Hunt
Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado
Walking Mountain Science Center
Walla Walla Community College
Walmart
Waseca Community Education & Recreation
Waseca Lakes Association
Washington Area Bicyclist Association
Washington State Parks
Washington Trails Association
Waste Management
Western Berks Ambulance
Western Berks Fire Department
Wholesale Sports Outdoor Outfitters
Wilderness Education Survival Training
Wilderness Inquiry
Wildland Awareness and Educational Institute
The Wildlife Experience
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
WSU Extension Watershed Stewards
Wushu & Tai Chi Chuan
WUWM Public Radio
Zumba

2011 National Get Outdoors Day Official Sites

Alabama

Hurricane Creek Park

Alabama
Lonnie Hallmark
Coordinator
Lake O' the Pines
Chamber of Commerce

Millers Ferry Campground

Camden, Alabama
Jamie Morgan
Park Ranger
U.S. Army Corps of
Engineers

Munford Elementary

Munford, Alabama
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5th grade Science
Teacher/ District Ranger,
Talladega Ranger District
Munford Elementary/
USDA Forest Service

Alaska

The Anchorage Museum

Anchorage, Alaska
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Public Programs
Coordinator
Anchorage Museum

Portage Valley

Portage (Girdwood),
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Carolyn Seramur
Outdoor Enthusiast and
Naturalist
Four Valleys Community
School

Arizona

Paker Canyon Lake

Elgin, Arizona
Rebecca Hodgeson
Assistant Fire Prevention
Officer
USDA Forest Service

Salt River Tubing

Mesa, Arizona
Lynda Breault
Vice President
Arizona's Salt River
Tubing

California

Upper Kern River Clean

Up Day
California
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Operations Manager
California Land
Management

Castaic Lake State

Recreation Area
Castaic, California
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Los Angeles County Dept
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Quarry Lakes Regional

Recreation Area
Fremont, California
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Community Affairs
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District

Kids ROCK Music Festival

Los Angeles, California
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Children's Nature Institute

Mammoth Lakes Welcome

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Lake Minden Resort

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National Children's Forest

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Marina

Arcadia EcoHome Victory

Garden
Edward Huang
Principal
California Institute of
Environmental Design &
Management

Lake Mendocino

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Park Ranger
U.S. Army Corps of
Engineers

Colorado

Denver's City Park

Denver, Colorado
Joe Blair/Susan Alden
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USDA Forest Service

Spring Canyon Park

Fort Collins, Colorado
Zoe Whyman
Fort Collins Natural Areas
Community Rel. Manager
City of Fort Collins Natural
Areas and Recreation

Friends of Dinosaur Ridge

Morrison, Colorado
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Program Director
Friends of Dinosaur Ridge

Connecticut

Thomaston Dam

Thomaston, Connecticut
Douglas Wennberg
Secretary
Nutmeg RC Flyers

Delaware

Kids Fest

Milford, Delaware
Linda Chick
Coordinator
Greater Milford Boys &
Girls Club

District of Columbia

Kingman Island

Washington, District of
Columbia
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Kingman Island Programs
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Living Classrooms of the
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Sanford, Florida
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BMC Boats

Georgia

Sawnee Mountain Preserve
Cumming, Georgia
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Forsyth County Parks and Recreation

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Fort Gaines, Georgia
Tim Jordan
Park Ranger
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Idaho

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Grangeville, Idaho
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Indiana

Brookville Lake-U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Brookville, Indiana
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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Salamonie Lake

Lagro, Indiana
John Scheiber
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U.S Army Corps of Engineers

Turkey Run State Park

Marshall, Indiana
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Turkey Run State Park

Kentucky

Augusta Boat Dock
Kentucky
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Nolin River Lake
Bee Spring, Kentucky
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Park Ranger
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area
Golden Pond, Kentucky
Cindy Earls
Special Event Coordinator

Barren River Lake
Glasgow, Kentucky
Elizabeth Watt
Natural Resource Park Ranger
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Louisiana

Lake Bistineau State Park
Doyline, Louisiana
Jason Nectoux
Interpretive Ranger
Louisiana State Parks

Fairview Riverside State Park
Madisonville, Louisiana
Lori Barnes
Interpretive Ranger II
Louisiana State Parks

Tickfaw State Park Nature Center
Springfield, Louisiana
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Louisiana State Parks

Chicot State Park

Ville Platte, Louisiana
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Maine State Parks and Maine Campgrounds
Maine
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Maryland

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National Park Service

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Appalachian Mountain Club
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Boston, Massachusetts
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ABCD Head Start

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Leslie Science & Nature Center
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Leslie Science & Nature Center

Great Bear Music Fest

Bloomington, Michigan
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Macatawa Greenway

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Waseca Community
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Bush Lake Beach
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Marketing and
Communications Manager
Camp Fire USA Minnesota
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Maplewood Community Center and Gateway Trail
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Maplewood Nature Center
Maplewood, Minnesota
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South St. Paul, Minnesota
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SSP Jaycees and SSP
Parks and Recreation

Missouri
Missouri State Parks
Missouri
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Missouri State Parks

Bilderbach Pond at Potosi City Park
Potosi, Missouri
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USDA Forest Service

Wappapello Lake
Wappapello, Missouri
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Natural Resources
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U.S. Army Corps of
Engineers

Montana
Earthquake Lake Visitor Center
Earthquake Lake,
Montana
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Hide Out Mountain Park
Florence, Montana
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Florence Civic Club

Helena Outdoors Fest
Helena, Montana
Jennifer Harris
Founder and Coordinator
Helena Outdoors Fest
2011 hosted by BAOF,
MTFWP and Montana
Wild

Nevada

Callville Bay Resort & Marina

Las Vegas, Nevada
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Forever Resorts

Pyramid Lake

Sutcliffe, Nevada
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Tribal Planner
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe

New Hampshire

White Mountain National Forest, Discovery Trail

Campton, New Hampshire
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White Mountain National
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Wildcat Mountain

Jackson, New Hampshire
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New Jersey

Kittatinny Valley State Park

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Park

New York

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New York State Parks

Branches of Niagara Campground & Resort

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Campground

Mount Morris Dam & Recreation Area

Mount Morris, New York
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Susquehanna Trail Campground

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Campground

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Kettering Youth Fishing Derby

Kettering, Ohio
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Springfield, Ohio
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Park Ranger
U.S. Army Corps of
Engineers

Brukner Nature Center

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Brukner Nature Center

Caesar Creek Lake

Waynesville, Ohio
Kim Baker
Park Ranger
U.S. Army Corps of
Engineers

Pennsylvania

Blue Marsh Lake

Pennsylvania
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Natural Resource
Specialist
U.S. Army Corps of
Engineers

Adventureland Day Camp & Picnics

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& Picnics

Pine Grove Furnace State Park

Gardners, Pennsylvania
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Natural Resource
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Greater Hazleton Rails to Trails

Hazleton, Pennsylvania
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Greater Hazleton Area
Civic Partnership

Bald Eagle State Park
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Natural Resource
Specialist
Pennsylvania State Parks

Parker Dam State Park
Penfield, Pennsylvania
Chris Kemmerer
Natural Resource
Specialist
Pennsylvania State Parks

Moraine State Park
Portersville, Pennsylvania
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Natural Resource
Specialist
Pennsylvania State Parks

South Carolina

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Harbourgate Marina

South Dakota

South Dakota Outdoor
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SD State Fairgrounds

Tennessee

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Nashville, Tennessee
Laura Ganus
Watersheds Program
Director
Cumberland River
Compact

Texas

Blanco State Park
Blanco, Texas
Mary Alice Partain
Park Interpretive Ranger
Texas Parks & Wildlife -
Blanco State Park

Scott's Landing Marina
Grapevine, Texas
Jeff Rose
Regional Manager
Marinas International

Silver Lake Marina
Grapevine, Texas
Jeff Rose
Regional Manager
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Scott's Ridge Recreation
Area - Sam Houston
National Forest -
Children's Forest in Texas
Montgomery, Texas
Tamberly Conway
Conservation Education
Coordinator
USDA Forest Service

Utah

Canyon Rim Park
Salt Lake City, Utah
Loyal Clark
Public Affairs Officer
Uinta-Wasatch-Cache
National Forest

Virginia

Virginia Living Museum
Newport News, Virginia
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Virginia Living Museum

Washington

Lake Thomas Fishing
Festival
Colville, Washington
Karen Honeycutt
Fish Biologist
Colville National Forest

Water Resources
Education Center
Vancouver, Washington
Bev Walker
Educator
Water Resources
Education Center

Bennington Lake
Walla Walla, Washington
Jeremy Nguyen
Natural Resources
Specialist Ranger
U.S. Army Corps of
Engineers

West Virginia

Gerald R. Freeman
Campground
Sutton, West Virginia
Thomas Nicholson
Natural Resource
Specialist Park Ranger
U.S. Army Corps of
Engineers

Jeremiah Carpenter
Memorial Trail Hike
Sutton, West Virginia
Thomas Nicholson
Natural Resource
Specialist Park Ranger
U.S. Army Corps of
Engineers

White Sulphur Springs
White Sulphur Springs,
West Virginia
Sarah Colletti
AmeriCorps Volunteer
USDA Forest Service -
Monongahela National
Forest

Wisconsin

Washington Park
Kenosha, Wisconsin
Mary Durkee
Park Operations
Supervisor
City of Kenosha

Gathering Waters Festival
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Kae DonLevy
Program Director
Gathering Waters Festival

Wyoming

Curt Gowdy State Park
Cheyenne, Wyoming
Paul Gritten
Non-Motorized Trails
Coordinator
Wyoming State Parks,
Historic Sites, and Trails

GO Day is an outgrowth of the Get Outdoors USA! campaign, which encourages Americans, especially our youth, to seek out healthy, active outdoor lives and embrace our parks, forests, refuges and other public lands and waters. Working with the USDA Forest Service, Get Outdoors USA! hosted six recreation forums in early 2007 and learned that public lands were missing the right triggers to capture the attention of today's youth. The GO Day concept was first tested at the Outdoor Recreation Village at Super Bowl XLII in Glendale, Arizona, which drew over 100,000 visitors. For more information on the Outdoor Recreation Village, visit www.funoutdoors.com/node/view/2016

Thank you for all of your hard work in making this the best GO Day event yet!