



Dear Teacher or School Administrator,

Thank you for your interest in transportation funding. Enclosed with this letter, you will find our Cooperating Association's Transportation Funding Request Form. This document is designed to streamline the application process and ensure that all necessary information is provided for funding consideration.

To qualify for this funding, schools must meet the following minimum qualifications:

1. **Title 1 School or District Status:** Your school or district must be designated as a Title 1 institution.
2. **School Districts Served:** Banning Unified, Palm Springs Unified, Desert Sands Unified, San Jacinto Valley Unified, Beaumont Unified, Morongo Unified, and Coachella Valley Unified School Districts are eligible to apply for this funding.
3. **Maximum Funding Amount:** For tram fare funding requests, the entirety of the fare will be covered for students and 1 adult for every 10 students, for transportation requests the maximum funding is \$15 per program attendee (adults are limited to reimbursement rate of 1 adult for every 10 students max). Additional adults beyond the maximum are responsible for their own tram fare and transportation costs.
4. **Method of Funding:** Funding will be processed via check.
5. **Timeline:** Funding requests must be made at the time of booking or no less than 3 weeks in advance.

To apply for this funding, please fill out the form on the following page and submit it to the State Park Interpreter [Nicholas Garduno](#). Once your request is received, it will be verified with existing booked field trips in Acuity Scheduling found at www.ports.parks.ca.gov before being forwarded to the Mt. San Jacinto Natural History Association Board for final funding approval.

There are two types of Funding Requests for this park: Tramway Ticket Funding and Transportation Funding. Please fill out one or both forms depending on which funding you are requesting.

We are excited to support your efforts in providing enriching educational experiences for your students and look forward to partnering with you to make these field trips possible. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your interest in bringing your students to Mt. San Jacinto State Park and Wilderness.

Sincerely,

Ian Bernstein
K-12 Access & PORTS Program Coordinator
California State Parks, Inland Empire District



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TRAM FARE FUNDING REQUEST

Mount San Jacinto Natural History Association has available funding to help schools cover two program associated fees: tickets for the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, and bus transportation costs.

Funding Criteria:

- Tram tickets are paid by direct invoice and only cover students, teachers and one chaperone for every 10 students. Additional chaperone tickets must be purchased separately.

This form should be emailed as soon as your school tour date is reserved to confirm if funds are available. Upon receipt your request will be reviewed by the Board for funding. Please submit your form no less than a month in advance to ensure the Board has time to review your request. Upon funding approval, you will receive a confirmation email with additional steps for providing invoices if necessary.

Please email this form to: Nicholas.Garduno@parks.ca.gov

Name of School:

District:

Grade:

Address:

City:

Zip:

Teacher's Name:

Email:

School Phone:

Cell Phone:

Dates of Visit:

Number of Students:

Number of adults (Teacher plus chaperones) *:

Teacher Signature

Date

*The number of chaperones covered by NHA funding is limited to 1 chaperone for every 10 students.



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SCHOOL BUS FUNDING REQUEST

Mount San Jacinto Natural History Association has available funding to help schools cover two program associated fees: tickets for the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, and bus transportation costs.

Funding Criteria:

- Transportation funding is calculated at \$15 per program attendee (adults calculated at maximum of 1 adult for every 10 students)

This form should be emailed as soon as your school tour date is reserved to confirm if funds are available. Upon receipt your request will be reviewed by the Board for funding. Please submit your form no less than a month in advance to ensure the Board has time to review your request. Upon funding approval, you will receive a confirmation email with additional steps for providing invoices if applicable.

Please email this form to: Nicholas.Garduno@parks.ca.gov

Name of School:

District:

Grade:

Address:

City:

Zip:

Teacher's Name:

Email:

School Phone:

Cell Phone:

Dates of Visit:

Number of Busses:

Number of Students:

Please email bus invoice within 30 days of visit.

Check made out to:

Mailing Address:

City:

Zip:

Teacher Signature

Date