

China School Forest workday planned July 25, 2020

22 July 2020



I am coordinating a work day at the China School Forest for Saturday, July 25, from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Helpers can come for part or all day. There are many projects that can be done with social distancing in place or in family groups. All volunteers should wear sturdy shoes and bring plenty of water to drink. Many people are enjoying the trails this summer and the schools may be using the forest areas a lot this fall, when school is back in session. Would you please share this with anyone in your group who might be willing to help? I can be reached at 968-2255 or chinaschoolsforest@gmail.com.

We need volunteers for the following projects –

Adults who have and can operate chainsaws. There are small trees that have already been cut down but now need to be cut up to firewood length. This wood will be distributed to needy people in China through the China Town Office. Others can help to stack the wood so it is easy to transport out of the forest.

Reopen an old trail – Clear trail of old blown down trees. Adults are needed to bring and use chainsaws to clear this trail. Others can help move the cut trees and open up the trail for people to enjoy. Bring chainsaws, pruning loppers and heavy gloves.

Clean up branches and bark along the trails. Rake and smooth out ruts in trails. This can be done by any age, including families. Bring sturdy rakes, heavy shovels, pruning loppers, work gloves.

Paint and waterseal projects. Scrape and repaint picnic tables. Water seal the Reading Tree structure and the bridge over the pond. China School Forest will provide paint, water seal and paint brushes. This can be done with adult supervision.

Build rustic benches and cut bigger trees into “stools” to create seating for outdoor classroom spaces. We have some funds to cover the cost of the materials, but need volunteers to do the labor. This will need to be done in August, so I can obtain the needed materials and idea plans.

If people are not able to help on the 25th, but want to help at another time, they can also contact Anita Smith.

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