

# San Diego Canyons Community Survey

## Introduction

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Study information is available in English and Spanish.

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La información del estudio está disponible en inglés y español.

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This survey will ask questions about your experience, thoughts, and opinions about the canyon areas in San Diego. We are interested in **all** residents' opinions!

We ask that only adults (18 or older) complete the survey. Please only fill it out one time.

All responses are anonymous – we will not be able to associate a response with your name, email address, or other identifying information.

Participation is your choice. You can skip any questions you prefer not to answer.

Questions? Contact our team at [eblanchard@sdnhm.org](mailto:eblanchard@sdnhm.org).

**Click next to start the survey!**

## Neighborhood

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1. In which neighborhood do you live in San Diego?

- Serra Mesa
- Mission Valley
- Kearney Mesa
- Webster
- Oak Park
- Redwood Village
- Rolando Park
- Broadway Heights
- Encanto
- Emerald Hills
- Chollas View
- Lincoln Park
- Valencia Park
- O'Farrell
- Alta Vista
- I live somewhere else:

## **Use of Canyons**

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We want to learn how people use and think about canyons and other green spaces in San Diego.

**LOGIC** Show/hide trigger exists.

2. Is there a canyon nearby your home?

- Yes, and I know its name
- Yes, but I don't know its name
- No, there's not a canyon near my home
- I don't know for sure

**LOGIC** Hidden unless: #2 Question "Is there a canyon nearby your home?" is one of the following answers ("Yes, and I know its name", "Yes, but I don't know its name")

3. Do you know where to go if you wanted to access the canyon near your home?

- I know exactly how to get into the canyon
- I think I know how to get into the canyon
- I don't know where to go to get into the canyon

**LOGIC** Show/hide trigger exists. Hidden unless: #2 Question "Is there a canyon nearby your home?" is one of the following answers ("Yes, and I know its name", "Yes, but I don't know its name")

4. Have you ever visited the canyon near your home?

- Yes
- No
- I'm not sure

**LOGIC** Hidden unless: #4 Question "Have you ever visited the canyon near your home?" is one of the following answers ("Yes")

5. How often do you visit the canyon near your home?

- Once a week or more often
- Monthly
- A few times a year
- About once a year
- Once every few years
- It's been a long time since I've been to the canyon

**LOGIC** Hidden unless: #4 Question "Have you ever visited the canyon near your home?" is one of the following answers ("Yes")

6. What activities have you done when you visited the canyon near your home?

Check any that apply

- Walked or hiked trails
- Walked a dog
- Had a picnic
- Looked for wildlife (birds, insects, other animals)
- Looked for plants (trees, flowers, other vegetation)
- Helped clean or maintain the canyon
- Passed through to get somewhere else (a shortcut)
- Spent time with family or friends
- Other activities (please list)

7. What are three words to describe the canyon(s) near your home?

Word 1:

Word 2:

Word 3:

**LOGIC** Show/hide trigger exists. Hidden unless: #2 Question "Is there a canyon nearby your home?" is one of the following answers ("Yes, and I know its name", "Yes, but I don't know its name")

8. Is there anything about living near a canyon that makes you feel concerned or unsafe – for yourself or your family?

Yes

No

**LOGIC** Hidden unless: #8 Question "Is there anything about living near a canyon that makes you feel concerned or unsafe – for yourself or your family?" is one of the following answers ("Yes")

9. What about the canyon makes you feel concerned or unsafe?

**Feelings about the Canyons**

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10. For the next statements, please select the option that best reflects how you feel.

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely	No opinion
How important is it that San Diego's canyons have lots of different plants and animals living there?	<input type="radio"/>					
How comfortable do you feel spending time in San Diego's canyons?	<input type="radio"/>					
How important is it that San Diego's canyons is easy to get into and walk around?	<input type="radio"/>					
How important is it to live in a community that has wild canyon spaces in it?	<input type="radio"/>					
How important is it that San Diego's canyons is clean (of garbage, graffiti, other human messes)?	<input type="radio"/>					
How concerned are you about your family's safety due to San Diego's canyons being nearby?	<input type="radio"/>					

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## Knowledge about Canyons

11. Who do you think is responsible for managing the canyons – taking care of them, keeping them usable, keeping them safe?

*Select any that you think have a role.*

- City government
- County government
- State government
- Federal government
- Neighborhood associations
- Non-profit organizations
- Individual property owners
- Individual community members

12. Do you know anyone (including yourself) who has used the canyons for any of these reasons?

*Reminder: Your response is completely anonymous – we can't connect answers to individual people.*

- Gathering wood/firewood
- Catching/killing wild animals
- Harvesting medicinal plants
- Harvesting plants for food
- None of the above

13. For each outdoor space below, please select how IMPORTANT you feel it is that San Diego have those types of spaces.

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely	No opinion
Canyons mainly for wildlife: restricted access for people, priority is on a safe place for animals and plants to live	<input type="radio"/>					
Canyons that humans and wildlife use: trails for hiking, walking, but also lots of wild landscape	<input type="radio"/>					
Parks for people: landscaped, designed, and maintained primary for people to spend time in	<input type="radio"/>					

**Community Needs & Benefits**

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14. How IMPORTANT is it that quality of life in your community is improving in the following ways?

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely	No opinion
Having enough outdoor spaces for spending time with family	<input type="radio"/>					
Having enough outdoor spaces for athletics (sports fields, running/walking trails, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>					
Having lots of songbirds around my neighborhood to watch or hear	<input type="radio"/>					
Reducing light pollution (too much light outside at night)	<input type="radio"/>					
Addressing extreme heat in city areas	<input type="radio"/>					
Having quiet outdoor spaces where I can enjoy nature	<input type="radio"/>					
Having enough insects to pollinate all of the gardens, farms, and landscapes	<input type="radio"/>					
Improving air quality	<input type="radio"/>					
Reducing noise pollution (too much noise from human sources)	<input type="radio"/>					

**About You**

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15. What is your age?

- Under 18
- 18-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50-59
- 60-69
- 70 or older

**LOGIC** Show/hide trigger exists.

16. Do you have any children, under age 18, living at home with you?

- Yes
- No

**LOGIC** Hidden unless: #16 Question "Do you have any children, under age 18, living at home with you?" is one of the following answers ("Yes")

17. In what age group(s) are the children who live with you?

- 0-4 years old
- 5-10 years old
- 11-17 years old

18. Which of these best describes where you live?

- Single family home
- Townhome, duplex, or other attached home
- Multi-unit building (e.g., apartment, condo building, dormitory)
- Other:

19. Are you a member or volunteer with any of these groups?

- Friends of Ruffin Canyon
- Friends of Chollas Creek
- Groundwork San Diego - Chollas Creek
- San Diego Natural History Museum
- San Diego Canyonlands

## 20. How do you describe your racial/ethnic identity?

*Check any that apply; or write in at the bottom*

- White
- Hispanic / Lantinx
- Black or African American
- Asian
- American Indian
- Middle Eastern
- Pacific Islander or Native Hawaiian
- Other Identity:
- Prefer not to answer

**Thank You!**

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Thank you for helping with our study!