

# Sunshine Preserve Habitat Restoration

*Monthly on 3rd Saturdays  
beginning in 2023*



Dear Neighbor,

The Sunshine Preserve is a native habitat preserved for wildlife in Glendale, just up the hill from Verdugo Park at the end of Sunshine Drive.

In 2020, a wonderful Glendale community member donated the 3.5 acre property to Arroyos & Foothills Conservancy (AFC). They're a nonprofit, who for the last 20 years have been working with urgency to identify and restore areas of native habitat and open space in the greater LA area.

This preserve in our neighborhood has tremendous ecological value. Not only is it an important passage route for wildlife moving through the Verdugo Mountains, it supports a variety of native plant and insect life, including critical pollinators like Monarch Butterflies.

Starting this year, a group of neighbors will be holding monthly restoration days, led by me, Christopher Smee. You may know me as @NativeGlendaleGarden on Instagram, and I'm putting together folks in our community to help steward and maintain this important preserve - we're called the Friends of Sunshine. We are very excited to strengthen efforts to remove invasive and fire-prone plants and to restore lush, native plant habitat for the wildlife. We wanted to keep you informed about what's happening, and we'd love you to join us if you're interested in getting involved or learning more!

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me or to AFC's Program Administrator, Auxenia Grace, at [aprivettmendoza@arroyosfoothills.org](mailto:aprivettmendoza@arroyosfoothills.org).



# Where is the Sunshine Preserve?

