



## The Latest News from GCY!



### 2025 Season Kickoff

Our 27th season started with a snowy field staff training weekend at our warehouse, followed by training trips on the Verde and San Juan Rivers.

The first expedition of the year launched March 11 with Military Teen Adventure Camp, serving youth from military families. This year we plan to serve close to 900 total youth on over 65 expeditions.

### Expedition Registration Open

We still have some spaces available on our Grand Canyon expeditions this summer. Please help spread the word to connect youth to these transformative experiences!

Ages 15-19. No experience necessary.  
Financial aid available! Educational & fun!

[Register Here](#)



Yay Science!



In her recent blog post, scientist and self-proclaimed "Bug Nerd," Anya Metcalf, shares her passion for science and youth.

Participating in hands-on science with working scientists continues to be an important part of many GCY expeditions.

[Read Blog Post](#)

## Grant Helps Buy Needed Gear

Thank you to the National Recreation Foundation for a multi-year grant helping GCY purchase new rafting equipment, boats, and a van to transport youth to the river. We are excited to get these oars, helmets, dry bags, and paco pads out on the water! These capacity-building items improve our operational efficiency and long-term sustainability.

GCY depends on grants from private foundations and government agencies, as well as donations from individual supporters, like you!



## New in the Office

Join us in welcoming Margeaux Bestard, GCY's new Field Staff Director. We are thrilled to have her as part of the team!

We are also excited to welcome two new community members to our Board of Directors:

- Heidi Hanson-Sobek
- Kate Mahady

[Meet the Staff](#)

## Come Say Hi to GCY

Look for our booth at:

- Guide Training Seminar at Marble Canyon on March 29-30
- STEM Celebration at Ft. Tuthill in Flagstaff on April 26

We look forward to events like these that give us opportunities to connect with youth and grow support in our community!

## Upcoming Events



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