

**SIERRA CLUB – SANTA LUCIA CHAPTER  
SEEKS DIVERSITY on its EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
July 2021**



Dear Environmental Advocate in SLO County:

The Santa Lucia Chapter of the Sierra Club is seeking candidates for its annual Executive Committee election. The ExCom supports the governance of the Chapter in accordance with the goals set forth by the National Sierra Club. These goals include outreach, conservation, environmental justice, political advocacy, diversity, and helping people experience nature. We are a friendly and active group that meets on the third Monday of every month in the evening, to determine activities and set the policy direction for the Chapter.

This year, there are two (3 year) Executive Committee positions up for election. **Nominations are open through Monday AUGUST 2ND** for the election to be held in early December 2021. The Chapter also has a number of volunteer openings that are not elected - treasurer, graphic designer, and the general meeting program coordinator. ExCom members are elected by members of the Santa Lucia Chapter.

**EXCOM RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:**

- Understand and promote the National Sierra Club's mission, policies and directives
- Attend monthly Executive Committee meetings and bimonthly General meetings
- Promote and support the Outings, Political, and Conservation Programs
- Participate in long range program and fiscal planning
- Actively assist in fundraising activities or contribute financially
- Ensure financial stability and solvency; allocate resources
- Monitor, question, and evaluate club activities
- Contribute a sense of camaraderie and teamwork
- Candidates should plan on donating a minimum of 6-10 hours a month

The recent tragedies against Black Americans have pushed us to a deeper recognition of our need to dismantle racism in our community and within our organization for Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC). The national political climate has also led to many policy changes and attitudes that are unacceptable. Sierra Club National and our Chapter are working towards the goals of a truly diverse and inclusive organization, to recruit and cultivate leaders, members, staff and supporters to reflect the diversity of our nation's communities. We are an engaged community of environmentalists, activists and students – **we invite you to join and help better our world.**

**CHAPTER ACTIVITIES:** The impact of COVID has curtailed our in-person meetings; we are meeting via Zoom until further notice. Anyone can join in our bimonthly meetings that include speakers on educational, regional and national topics. Hike leaders get members outdoors to explore the local trails - outings will begin again after July 5th. Membership is only \$15/year and scholarships are available, or sign up under a current member to get a scholarship. See link below to join.

To learn more about the Santa Lucia Chapter of the Sierra Club, join or get the newsletter, please visit our informative website: <https://www.sierraclub.org/santa-lucia>. If you have any questions or to submit a name for consideration, please contact:

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We look forward to hearing from you!

Santa Lucia Executive Committee