



Sanctuary Steward Training 2025

Day 1: Sunday, February 23 from 10am - 12 p.m. In-person at the Save Our Shores office (345 Lake Ave. Suite A Santa Cruz, CA 95062)

We'll meet in-person and kick off training with some get to know ya and we'll share a bit about Save Our Shores, Monterey Bay and our Marine Sanctuary + Marine Protected Areas (MPA), What it means to be a Sanctuary Steward, etc.

Day 2: Thursday, February 27 from 6-8 p.m. Virtual Training

Intro to Marine Debris + Tabling/Outreach Events: We'll talk about what marine debris is, the impact of marine debris, where it comes from, the problems and solutions. We'll also discuss preparing for outreach events, engaging in meaningful conversation and SOS' holiday pollution prevention outreach.

Day 3: Thursday, March 6 from 6-8 p.m. Virtual Training

Cleanup Protocol + Public Speaking: Learn about preparing for a cleanup event, setup, supplies, welcome + safety talk, data collection and wrapping up an event. We'll share public speaking tips, how to have effective conversations around pollution and solutions.

Day 4: Thursday, March 13 from 6-8 p.m. Virtual Training

Education Programs + Advocacy: Get an overview of our education programs and tips for engaging youth, learn what SOS is doing to advocate for change and how community members can get involved locally.

Day 5: Saturday March 15 from 8am - 12 p.m. Public Beach Cleanup at Capitola Beach (120 Monterey Ave, Capitola, CA 95010)

Graduation! You will watch Sam in action running a real live cleanup, help out and get a sense of your responsibilities when leading events independently in the future. Afterwards if the energy is high, we can all hang out and have some social time to celebrate!