



REDONDO BEACH SUNSET

## ADOPT-A-FIELD MAINTENANCE PROGRAM 2023

Redondo Sunset is happy to announce a new Adopt-a-Field Maintenance Program. This new Adopt-a-Field Program is managed by Sunset's Ballparks department.

Sunset leases four baseball/softball fields in the Alta Vista Park (EMTS Field, Albert Garcia Memorial Field, Good Stuff Field and Pumpkin Man Field) and is responsible for their maintenance. These fields are all dirt infields (called "skinned" infields) and demand a lot of maintenance to keep them in playable condition.

The Adopt-a-Field Maintenance Program seeks Sunset family volunteers for each field from the team divisions that play on those fields. (**For example:** The Baseball and Softball divisions (like Mustang and 12U) that play on Good Stuff Field (GS) would form a maintenance crew made up of family volunteers from those division team and be responsible for maintaining only that Good Stuff Field. Additionally: The Baseball and Softball divisions (like Bronco and Pony baseball and 14U softball) that play on the Albert Garcia Field (AG) would form a maintenance crew made up of family volunteers from those division team and be responsible for maintaining only that AG Field.) Each Field Crew can then manage the maintenance of their field, lead by a volunteer Crew Chief. The crew would then work out a weekly maintenance schedule amongst themselves based on their availability throughout the season – Feb thru June.

Tools and equipment are always available for crew members' use at their convenience. The Ballparks personnel will initially meet with Field Crews to go over checklists on how to maintain fields, and what is expected from a playable ballpark. Ballparks personnel will periodically meet with Crew Chiefs always be available to oversee and manage field maintenance progress. The Sunset Ballparks department is responsible for additional supplies and resources.

For more information, please see the FAQ's below.



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### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### **Who is Redondo Sunset Baseball / Softball League?**

Redondo Sunset is home to the best Baseball and Softball in the South Bay. Sunset's baseball program participates in PONY League (PONY.org) while our Softball program participates in USA Softball (USAsoftballsocal.com).

#### **What is Sunset's Adopt-a-Field Maintenance Program?**

The Adopt-a-Field Maintenance Program seeks Sunset family volunteers to form maintenance crews for each field from the team divisions that play on those specific fields.

#### **Who maintains the ballpark?**

Redondo Sunset (and AYSO Soccer) lease the park from the City of Redondo Beach and the RBUSD. Sunset and AYSO share in the responsibility of maintaining the ballpark infields and outfields in Alta Vista Park. Both organizations seasonally recruit family volunteers to perform their respective maintenance tasks.

#### **Who maintains the individual fields?**

Redondo Sunset is solely responsible for maintaining the ball field dirt (or skinned) diamonds. Infields require a lot of constant maintenance in order to keep them in playable condition by heavily scheduled use.

#### **Do I need field maintenance experience in order to participate?**

No, the Sunset Ballparks personnel will train volunteers on proper ways to maintain skinned infields and equipment. All the tools and equipment are readily available on site.

#### **Can anybody Adopt-a-Field?**

Yes, any Redondo Beach resident can participate in adopting a field. Sunset focuses its volunteer recruit primarily towards member families because maintaining the field where their child or children play brings pride and an investment in the player's experience. Families enjoy knowing they have made their child's experience the best they possibly can.



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### **Can I adopt more than one field?**

Of course. We would greatly appreciate the help!

### **How long will my participation last?**

Participation would continue as long as you want it to but the Spring season runs through the month of June with two big tournaments held at our ballparks, Softball's War at the Shore and Baseball's South Bay Father's Day tournament.

### **How can I participate in the Adopt-a-Field Program?**

Go to the RedondoSunset.com website and link thru to the Ballparks Manager under the About Us tab and Board Members Directory pull down. Or contact our Ballparks Manager, Mike Sukey, at [SunsetBallparks@gmail.com](mailto:SunsetBallparks@gmail.com). You will be contacted by Ballparks personnel. Thank you!

### **What are the benefits of adopting a field?**

Overall, the entire league benefits from your volunteered involvement. Specifically, your child's playing experience is enhanced and improved by your volunteer effort in maintaining and grooming our ball fields.