

**Verde NRCDE Environmental Education and Discovery Center
Call for Volunteers**



Verde River Day, Saturday, September 24

Dead Horse Ranch State Park

Cottonwood, Arizona

One of the most popular events at Verde River Day is paddling a canoe around the lagoon. For many, it's a first experience exploring aquatic life from above. Children, old and young, peer with delight into the clear waters of the lagoon, searching for trout, catfish, and sunfish and with luck, catching a glimpse of a sunbathing turtle.

It's a labor-intensive effort and volunteers are desperately needed to support over 600 community members expected to participate. Volunteers are needed to help visitors to check-in, assist people in getting in and out of canoes, advise to the proper placement of PFDs and provide boater safety on the water. In addition, we'll need a couple of strong individuals to help with the loading and unloading of canoes.

It's a fun day for participants and volunteers alike!

You have a choice of two different three-hour shifts-the first is between 9 and 12 AM, the second runs from 11 to 2. Loading and unloading occurs before and after the event.

To sign up, or for more information, please contact the Environmental Education Center Director Erin Cody at erincody@vnrccdeec.org or call her at 928-963-0238.