

RECOGNITION & GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

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The following giving opportunities are still available:

\$1,000,000

Exploration Center Theater

This theater will have the capability to project real-time video, immersing visitors in the many diverse ecosystems of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

\$250,000

Geology Gallery

Delve into the diversity of habitats in the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary touching rocks from as deep and far as the Davidson Seamount.

\$500,000

Kelp Forest Exhibit

Visitors experience what it would be like to dive in a kelp forest, walking amongst the high biodiversity and exploring the different organisms in the many kelp forest zones.

Classroom/Lecture Hall

Programs throughout the year will take place in this state-of-the-art classroom, introducing the public to the many facets of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

Submarine Canyon Exhibit

Visitors will peer into the deep submarine canyon, operating a remotely operated vehicle that can view life in the deep.

\$100,000

Open Ocean Mini-Theater

Visitors get up-close to the sanctuary's ocean seasons and the whales, dolphins, turtles and other organisms that migrate through during the year.

Intertidal Touchpool

Visitors will learn the etiquette for exploring the sanctuary's coastal tide pools followed by an actual hands-on experience with live animals.

Fishing Exhibit

This exhibit will honor the rich history of Monterey Bay area fisheries and sustainability with a seine boat hull above and a net chock full of squid below.

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Water Quality = Quality of Life

Step on to a street in Santa Cruz, complete with automobile and sidewalk, to see a drain and pipe to show how pollution makes its way into our sanctuary.

Science in the Sanctuary

Dive into science in the Monterey Bay Sanctuary through an interactive video kiosk and activities to highlight some of the exciting research in the area!

Upper Deck

This extraordinary view from the 2nd floor of the building out onto the Monterey Bay National Sanctuary is breathtaking. Through a viewfinder, visitors can see what it would have been like if the MBNMS didn't exist.

Introduction of the Sanctuary and the National Marine Sanctuary System

The first exhibit visitors will encounter will be an introduction to the Sanctuary system. A video introduction to the national program is followed by a 3-dimensional bathymetric map that visitors can touch.

\$50,000

Conclusion Stage

Visitors pass between two banks of monitors that feature images of the sanctuary's organisms, reinforcing the message "This is your sanctuary, treat it with care."

Watershed Model

A full 3-dimensional model of the Santa Cruz watershed will show how water travels from the mountains, through our creeks and rivers to the ocean and that everyone, no matter where they live, live in a watershed.

Geology Panorama (above and below the water)

This 21 ft. panorama of Monterey Bay from the mountains, through the Monterey Submarine canyon to the Davidson seamount will show visitors that the ocean is anything but flat!

Research Vessel Fulmar

Walk under a model of the Sanctuary's research vessel Fulmar's transom with a multi-beam sonar mapping device in tow.

Life in the Kelp Forest

Using new 3-M "Vikuiti" rear projected technology, visitors will scroll from bottom to top along a kelp forest plant and learn about kelp forest biodiversity and the fascinating organisms that live there.