

Temecula Valley Young Marines

On Saturday, March 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., the Temecula Valley Young Marines assisted a special needs family in Wildomar on a home beautification project. They performed clean-up work, including gardening and painting. There were approximately 30 Young Marines on hand, and after a long, hard day in the warm sun, they were given much praise for a job well done. This is just one of many community service projects the Young Marines perform throughout the year. Most recently, they assembled care packages to our troops overseas through Operation Interdependence, a civilian-to-military delivery system that serves as a program for Americans to demonstrate their support for our deployed military. This is an ongoing project until our troops are safely home again with their loved ones.

The Young Marines would like to give special thanks to Countryside Growers of Murrieta for donating several plants; Arco AM/PM of Wildomar for donating ice and water; and to CR&R, Inc., of Perris for the donation of two trash bins.

On April 5 and 6, the Temecula Valley Young Marines began fundraising efforts at Open Aircraft Day at March Air Field Museum. Staff was on hand to paint "camouflage" faces for a nominal fee and the Young Marines participated in a promotions ceremony.

The Temecula Valley Young Marines are currently accepting enrollment for the May 2003 boot camp class, as well as sponsors of the local unit. Please contact Adjutant Cheryl Kanoy at (909) 302-1422, or Information Officer Ruth Allen at (909) 677-2106 for further details.