

Youth Ambassador Program 2024-2025

This new program invites YOU to become part of a group of Youth Ambassadors from the Amache and Sand Creek Massacre descendant communities. You will be paid to visit and participate in community events and group discussions to deepen your connection to these places and plans for future action. Visits and discussions will be led by educators from the Japanese American, Cheyenne, and Arapaho communities.



WHAT:

Two visits (4 days each) to the Amache National Historic Site and the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in 2024, plus an online virtual summit. Visits in collaboration with May Amache Pilgrimage and Oct/Nov Sand Creek Prayer Runs. Food, Lodging, and Travel included. \$100/day additional stipend for participation.

WHO:

Youth ages 14-25 and their families from the Amache and Sand Creek Massacre Descendant Communities, alongside Granada, CO, and Eads, CO high school students.

WHERE:

Southeastern Colorado, visits to Amache and Sand Creek Massacre Historic Sites

WHEN:

May 16-20, 2024 + October/November 2024 TBD + Jan 2025 Virtual Summit

WHY:

- EMPOWER you to participate in meaningful and enjoyable site-based community events while building a coalition of future stewards for important National Historic Sites within the National Park System.
- AMPLIFY the voices of Amache and Sand Creek Massacre youth descendants, that are essential for site conservation, yet often unheard.
- ENGAGE in community learning in a safe, uplifting environment to advance justice, diversity, equity, and inclusion in public lands.

HOW: Contact Annie Danis aedanis@cpp.edu for more details

The Amache Alliance and Sand Creek Massacre Foundation are non-profits committed to the stewardship of these important sites and their history. The program is dedicated to physical and cultural respect and safety.

Image: Glenn Minoru Tagawa, an Amache descendant, and Dale Hamilton, an Arapahoe and Cheyenne descendant of the Sand Creek massacre at the Amache cemetery during the annual pilgrimage at the Amache National Historic Site in Granada, Saturday, May 20, 2023. (Hugh Carey, The Colorado Sun)