

Tilden Environmental Education Center

Berkeley, CA



Seeds of Stewardship

The Tilden Environmental Education Center is the interpretive centerpiece of the 740-acre Tilden Nature Area—an ecological preserve in the San Francisco Bay Area. Opened in 1974, the Center's exhibits connect visitors to history and nature through the Wildcat Creek watershed. After 50 years, the building is at the end of its lifespan.

To foster the next generation of environmentalists, APA worked closely with the Center's staff to envision an engaging and accessible experience for the new building. Visitors of all ages and abilities will touch models of landforms and moss, analyze natural materials through a microscope, compare water samples and trout habitats, and explore the insides of a fallen log to discover living plant and animal communities. They'll leave with a watershed-level understanding of themselves.

