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Metropolis of San Francisco’s Greek Village Ministry Returns in 2025



The Metropolis of San Francisco’s Greek Village, the vibrant summer experience at Saint Nicholas Ranch and Retreat Center, is back for 2025, offering an immersive adventure that transports participants to the heart of Greece—without leaving California. Greek Village provides participants with a rich focus on Orthodox faith, Greek culture, and creativity, Greek Village is more than just a camp; it’s a week-long way to experience the vibrancy and faith of a traditional village in Greece.

Έλατε, πάμε στην Εύβοια! Let us take you to the sun, spirit, and stories of Evia, where participants can explore the traditions of Greece through exciting hands-on activities. Campers will immerse themselves in our Orthodox faith, learn the Greek language, and discover their creative side, all while having the time of their lives.

“I am thrilled to see this program reinvigorated and returning in the summer of 2025,” stated His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco. “Our Greek Village is an important component of our youth ministry, focusing on both faith and culture, and this immersive experience is truly a gift to our youth!”

Greek Village (Ελληνικό Χωριό) aims to create and nurture lifelong relationships for Greek Orthodox youth through faith and Hellenic culture. The program fosters curiosity and understanding of Hellenic heritage, bridging the past with the future. Open to campers and their families from 4th – 12th grade, this ministry is one of a kind in the United States and the Metropolis of San Francisco is excited to bring it back with more excitement than ever before. Program staff and teachers are experts in their fields with significant experience teaching and working with youth.

Every year, Greek Village transports participants to a different geographic region of Greece, bringing its culture alive through faith, history, dance, music, art, geography, cooking, language and much more. In 2025, the destination is the captivating island of Evia—a place full of rich history and beauty – and the home of important figures of our faith like Saint Iakovos Tsalikis. Participants will experience life in the village at its fullest, learning about their faith, exploring traditions, and discovering what it means to be part of this vibrant community.

Metropolis of San Francisco invites you to be part of this incredible adventure next summer and create unforgettable memories.

For more information and registration details, visit our new website. Staff applications go live in October and camp registration opens in January.

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