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Play, Learn, Craft and Cook with the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park During Stay at Home Orders

PENINSULA, Ohio (April 2, 2020) – The Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park has unveiled a <u>new resource page</u> for fans of Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP). Whether the park is in your backyard or across the country, each of these activities will help you stay connected to Ohio's national park without leaving your home. Categories include Educational Resources, DIY Crafts and Activities, Recipes and Games.

<u>Educational Resources</u>: Using the National Park Service Educational Portal, the Conservancy's Environmental Education Center Staff has curated everything from blogs about the history of the park to videos of water quality testing in the Cuyahoga River. New themes will be added often that will include videos, activities and reading resources for kids.

<u>DIY Crafts and Activities</u>: There are plenty of activities you can do at home to help preserve and support the park. The Conservancy has step-by-step instructions, photos and videos to help you create your own compost bin, birdhouse, park critters and more. Most of the items used are upcycled, meaning you now have something to do with all those empty toilet paper rolls!

Recipes: The culinary team at the Conservancy loves to create tasty treats and nutritious meals for the children visiting the Environmental Education Center, and until they can welcome everyone back, they want to share some of their favorite recipes! You don't have to be a culinary expert to bring these creations to your table – step-by-step instructions and photos will help you make the perfect treats.

<u>Games</u>: The last thing parents want to hear from their kids at home is "I'm bored" – so the Conservancy created different nature-themed games to keep everyone happy. Can you identify different birds found in CVNP to complete a crossword puzzle? Can you spot 5 things in your backyard or neighborhood to call out BINGO?

The Conservancy is sharing the resources through their <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u> and hosting everything on their website: <u>forcvnp.org/spring-time-activities</u>. Conservancy members and friends are encouraged to share their projects and ideas on social media using #forcvnp



About the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park

The Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park is the official friends group and philanthropic partner for Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP). With a mission to enrich lives and our communities by inspiring use, appreciation and support of CVNP and ensure its preservation, the Conservancy offers cultural and educational programming, operates a year-round environmental education center, comanages the park's volunteer program, provides venues for weddings, meetings and special events, and operates three park retail spaces.