

#### PARTNERSHIP GUIDE

## WHO WE ARE

Visit SLO CAL is the official destination marketing and management organization for SLO CAL (San Luis Obispo County).

## **OUR MISSION**

Inspire travel, foster our unique experiences and champion the quality of life to create life-long ambassadors and economic growth for SLO CAL.

#### WHY PARTNER WITH SLO CAL?

 7.5M VISITORS A YEAR\*
33.5K VISITOR MAGAZINE REQUESTS
35.6K
1.96M WEBSITE VISITORS A YEAR
165K REFERRALS TO PARTNER BUSINESSES A YEAR
2.2M

SOCIAL REACH

Data based on FY22/23. \*Source: Tourism Economics, 2022 calendar year.

MONTHLY EMAIL

REACH

## WHO CAN BECOME A PARTNER

Visit SLO CAL works with a variety of organizations globally and locally. Becoming a SLO CAL partner means that you are invested in the economic vitality of tourism in SLO CAL as well as growing visitation through shared marketing channels.

MARKETING PARTNERS are tourism-facing businesses that enhance the visitor experience (hotels, wineries, restaurants, boutiques, etc).

**EVENT PARTNERS** are event promoters that attract visitors to SLO CAL (SLO International Film Festival, Spartan Race, World Surf League, etc).

**STRATEGIC PARTNERS** contribute to the economic viability of tourism in SLO County though education, training, infrastructure, policy or other unique views that support tourism in San Luis Obispo County (Cal Poly, REACH, San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport, etc).

### **MARKETING PARTNER BENEFITS**

Partnership with Visit SLO CAL is free to businesses in San Luis Obispo County! Our tourism-facing businesses receive the below benefits:





ACCESS TO POST YOUR EVENTS ON SLOCAL.COM LEISURE CALENDAR

CO-OP MARKETING OPPORTUNITIES



BLOG & VIDEO CONTENT OPPORTUNITIES

EARNED MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES



TRAVEL TRADE LEADS AND SERVICE REQUESTS OPPORTUNITIES

All partners receive:

- Access to strategic research and reports.
- Access to SLO CAL Welcome, our free customer service training program.
- Advertisement opportunities in the SLO CAL Official Visitors' magazine.

## HOW IT WORKS

1. Fill out the partnership form on SLOCAL.com/partners.

2. Upon activation, access SLO CAL Connection, our partner portal.

3. On SLO CAL Connection, review your account and contact information. Tourism-facing businesses can create a website listing, upload images, post events and more!

4. Subscribe to the weekly partner newsletter for opportunities available to you and the latest tourism industry news.



### WAYS TO ENGAGE

- Learn how to review SLO CAL Connection training materials to maximize your exposure.
- Follow @SLOCAL on social channels & use #SLOCAL on your social posts.
- Post your special offers & coupons.
- Review the partner calendar and submit content.
- Submit earned media content.
- Update your website listing regularly.
- Take our free customer service training program, SLO CAL Welcome.
- Attend SLO CAL Summit, our annual event that celebrates the travel and tourism industry.
- Stay up to date by adding slocal.com domain to your safe senders lists.
- Engage our team by inviting us to experience your business.

# CONTACT US

Visit SLO CAL is committed to supporting our local partners while creating a vibrant and sustainable SLO CAL, fueled by a collaborative and flourishing tourism industry.

Contact Partnership@SLOCAL.com for more information.



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