

Friends of Pio Pico, Inc. Membership Application

Through fundraising and membership drives, your generous contributions will allow Friends of Pio Pico to proceed with its mission of making Pio Pico State Historic Park an educational and cultural center for the surrounding communities. Your donations, through gifts, membership and museum store purchases, support educational programs and historical collections documenting California's dynamic history.

Annual

- ☐ Amigo de Pio de Jesus Pico
(Basic Membership/Student/Teacher/Senior) \$15.00
- ☐ Friends & Familia (Plus Membership) \$25.00
- ☐ Californio's Club (Library/nonprofit/Hist Society) \$50.00
- ☐ Ranchero's Club (contributor) \$100.00
- ☐ Compadres de Pio Pico (benefactor) \$250.00
- ☐ Patron de Pio Pico (Silver circle) \$500-\$1000
- ☐ I am considering a gift to the Friends of Pio Pico, Inc.

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Please make checks payable to:

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Supporting Cultural and Educational Programs
at Pio Pico State Historic Park



"El Ranchito"

Our Mission....

To work with the State of California in ensuring quality cultural and educational programs and activities about the legacy of Pio Pico and public benefit use for all visitors to the Pio Pico National State Park.

The Friends of Pio Pico, Inc., is a local non-profit organization working with the California State Park system dedicated to providing cultural and educational activities at the Pio Pico State Historic Park. The Friends of Pio Pico is a culmination of a long-term community effort to provide local citizens an opportunity to learn about the history and culture of California during the life and times of Pio de Jesus Pico IV (1801-1894) the last governor of “Mexican” California.

Our Vision....

- Establish Pio Pico State Historic Park as a cultural and educational center for youth, families and visitors surrounding the San Gabriel Valley and the State of California.
- To increase awareness and knowledge through educational and interpretive activities of the historical significance of the Pio Pico Mansion, “El Ranchito” in Mexican and early California history.
- To engage the public’s interest and participation of the interpretive history of the Pio Pico State Historic Park in collecting, preserving and presenting historical documents, artifacts and written materials which assist in the interpretation of Pio Pico and the Adobe Mansion.



Pio Pico:
Family Man,
Politician
and Businessman

Pio de Jesus Pico was one of California’s most remarkable historical figures. (1801 – 1894) Born at the San Gabriel Mission on May 5, 1801, he helped shape the City of Los Angeles and the State of California and created a legacy as the last governor of “Mexican” California. After California became a State of the Union in 1849, Pio Pico adapted to the new political circumstances and prospered as a rancher and landowner. Pio Pico later build the Adobe Mansion at “El Ranchito,” on his 8,891 acre ranch which is now located in the City of Whittier.

During his long and active life, he rose from poverty to become one of the richest men in California and for a time held the highest political office in Mexican California.

El Ranchito Today...



The four-acre Pio Pico State Historic Park is dedicated to preserving the adobe home and cultural history of Pio Pico. Since 2001, more than \$5 million dollars has been spent on an extensive restoration of the Park. The Adobe home of Pio Pico, which was damaged by earthquakes, has been restored to its 1880’s condition. Park landscaping is currently being changed to more closely resemble the original character of Pico ranch. Orange trees, gardens, and fields of crops have been planted at the park. The Pio Pico Mansion is located at 6003 Pioneer Blvd., Whittier, CA.

