

SOCIAL STORY

Independent Family Visit to the Tulare County Museum



The Tulare County Museum
is a Certified Autism Center.



It also recognizes the
Hidden Disabilities
Sunflower Program.



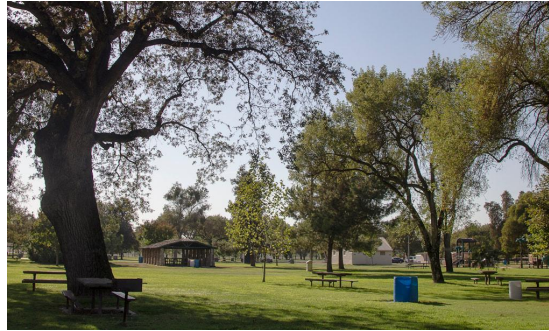
By utilizing the Hidden Disabilities Sunflower Program, you can discreetly let hotel, attraction and restaurant staff know that you or someone you are traveling with has a hidden disability.

Additional accommodations may include:

- Expedited hotel check-in or restaurant seating when possible
- Consideration for a specific seating request
- Quick checkout if the need to leave arises
- Allowing outside food or accommodating a special request for the individual on the spectrum
- Understanding that the person may be non-verbal, have difficulty sitting still and making eye contact



The museum is located within Mooney Grove Park. There are also playgrounds, picnic tables, disc golf and a lagoon at this park.

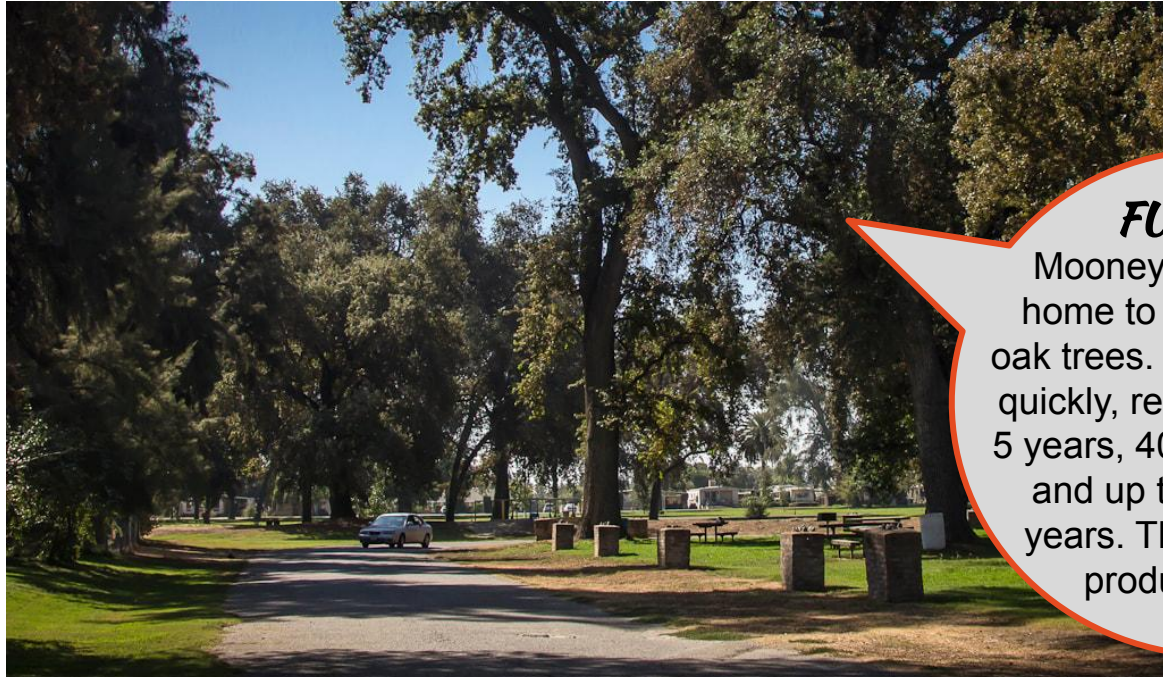


We might see animals while at Mooney Grove Park, like ducks, geese, squirrels and peacocks.

Even though they are cute, please do not touch or scare them.



When we arrive at Mooney Grove Park, we will drive inside and follow the road until we see the museum.



FUN FACT:

Mooney Grove Park is home to beautiful valley oak trees. Valley oaks grow quickly, reaching 20 feet in 5 years, 40 feet in 10 years and up to 60 feet in 20 years. These trees also produce acorns!

The Tulare County Museum actually has three different areas to explore.



1. Original Museum



2. Pioneer Village



3. History of Farm and
Agriculture Museum

In the office of the original museum, my family can ask a staff member if we can check out a sensory backpack.

If one is available, I can use it while we are at the museum. It will include different sensory toys for me.

If we check out a sensory backpack, it must be returned before we leave.



My family can also ask a staff member about the museum's quiet space. This is a place that I can go to if I need a little quiet time.



The original museum features a large collection of Yokuts baskets, artifacts of the pioneer era, farm equipment and many other treasures that tell the history of Tulare County.



Pioneer Village contains restored school houses, homes built in the 19th century, Visalia's first jail and much more. Visitors are encouraged to explore these structures inside and out.



Also in Pioneer Village is a train caboose!



The large red building is the History of Farm Labor and Agriculture Museum.



If my family or I
have any questions,
we can ask a
museum employee.
They would be
happy to help us if
we need any
assistance.



I am ready to go to the Tulare County Museum!

