

PARKS & TRAILS VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

The mission of the Parks & Trails Volunteer Program is to foster community stewardship and ensure safe practices and an enjoyable experience for our park and trail visitors through education, information, and assistance

Park & Trail Volunteers have an opportunity to make improvements to the community by assisting staff Rangers with the patrol and protection of our park and trail system. The program offers a variety of opportunities to gain new skills and knowledge including Volunteer Rangers, Bike and Mounted Trail Patrol, and program/event support. Volunteers are empowered to help ensure the safety of park and trail visitors by promoting responsible use and resource preservation; explaining rules and regulations; providing information; and observing and reporting issues, incidents and emergencies. Volunteers are a valued and necessary part of the proper management of our environmental resources and programs.

Examples of Volunteer Duties:

- Serve as a resource for visitors regarding rules and regulations
- Ensure park and trail safety for visitors by encouraging responsible use
- Observe and report issues such as damage, graffiti, violations, unsafe conditions, concerns, incidents, emergencies
- Provide information for visitors including preservation, directions, recommendations, etc.
- Assist with park and trail activities and events (i.e. monthly trail hikes, Trails Day, school/community outreach)
- Crowd facilitation and control during events
- Assist at Jacks Pond Nature Center
- Maintenance of parks and trails (when needed)

Qualifications:

- At least 18 yrs. old and enjoy the outdoors
- Display and maintain professional conduct, integrity and positive attitude
- Available for 2-4 shifts per month
- A valid driver's license is required only if planning to access a city vehicle

Education/Experience:

Any combination of experience/education demonstrating you have the abilities, commitment and understanding

Volunteers receive basic training with:

Public relations | Park/trail policies and procedures | CPR/First Aid

For more information and how to get involved with the Parks & Trails Volunteer Program, please contact:

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