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Volunteers in Parks

Do you like people? Are you concerned about the environment? Have you skills or talents you'd like to share with others?

Then the National Park Service has something new for you. It's called VOLUNTEERS IN PARKS. And it's for everyone—professionals, senior citizens, housewives, students, and youngsters.

VOLUNTEERS IN PARKS offers you an opportunity in your area to join in the many and varied activities of the National Park Service.

VOLUNTEERS IN PARKS serve, without pay, in such fields as:

Interpretation. You help visitors understand both the natural and human history of an area. You are the visitors' link with the past, and their guide to a better understanding of their environment.

Living history. Dressed in period costume, you "interpret," by example and dialogue, how people lived in different periods of history. The goal is to bring history to life, to make the words, actions, and emotions of our ancestors real and meaningful.

Arts and crafts. You demonstrate a skill, such as glassblowing, candlemaking, or weaving. Or, you work with children on a simple arts and crafts program.

History, archeology, and natural science. Working with the National Park Service staff, you assist in the continuing search for further knowledge and a better understanding of our natural and historical resources.

Environmental study. You work with students, their teachers, and National Park Service personnel in special areas which demonstrate the inter-relationships between man and his natural, cultural, and historical environments. You help offer people the opportunity to experience their own involvement with these environments.

Resource management. You help a park ranger in duties of resource management, such as surveying wildlife, working with conservation teams on soil erosion, and carrying out plant and insect projects.

PROSPECTIVE VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Name (*PRINT—Last, First, Middle Initial*)

Date of birth

Address (*Street, City, State, Zip Code*)

Telephone no. (*Including Code*)

If under 18 years of age, give name of parent or guardian

Address (*Street, City, State, Zip Code*)

Telephone no.

Circle highest level of education completed:

Elementary School: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

High School: 9 10 11 12

College: 1 2 3 4 5 6

List special qualifications, skills and training.

Briefly describe past and present employment.

List interests and hobbies.

List any previous volunteer services, including dates and/or comments.

List volunteer work interests.

List any physical limitations.

References: (*List two*)

Area of availability (*National Park, State, Region*)

When available (*Time of year, days of week*)

Housing needs:

None _____ Campsite _____ Trailer site _____ Park housing (Minimum availabiltiy) _____

Signature

Date

National Park Service Regional Offices

North Atlantic Regional Office
15 State Street,
Boston, Massachusetts 02109
(Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont,
Massachusetts, Rhode Island,
Connecticut, New York, New Jersey)

Mid-Atlantic Regional Office
143 South Third Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106
(Pennsylvania, Maryland,
West Virginia, Delaware, Virginia)

Southeast Regional Office
75 Spring Street, SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303
(Kentucky, Tennessee, North
Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia,
Alabama, Mississippi, Florida,
Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands)

Midwest Regional Office
1709 Jackson Street
Omaha, Nebraska 68102
(Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin,
Illinois, Minnesota, Iowa,
Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas)

Rocky Mountain Regional Office
655 Parfet Street, P.O. Box 25287
Denver, Colorado 80225
(Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota
Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, Arizona)

Southwest Regional Office
Old Santa Fe Trail, P.O. Box 728
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501
(Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma,
Texas, New Mexico, Arizona)

Western Regional Office
Box 36063,
450 Golden Gate Avenue,
San Francisco, California 94102
(Arizona, Nevada, California, Hawaii)

Pacific Northwest Regional Office
Fourth & Pike Building, Room 927
1424 Fourth Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98101
(Idaho, Oregon, Washington,
Alaska, California)

National Capital Regional Office
1100 Ohio Drive, SW.,
Washington, D.C. 20242
(District of Columbia, Maryland,
Virginia, West Virginia)





GUAM
 Agaña NHP
 Pacific Ocean

HAWAII
 Hawaii Volcanoes NP
 Puukohola Heiau NHS
 Kaloko-Honokohau NHP
 Puhonohu o Hōnaunau NHP

Puerto Rico
 San Juan NHS
Virgin Islands
 Buck Island Reel NM
 St. John's National Historic Site
 Christiansted NHS

Legend

<p>Regional Boundary</p> <p>SANTA FE</p> <p>National Office</p>	<p>Explanation of Abbreviations</p> <p>MEM PKWY National Memorial Parkway</p> <p>NB National Battlefield</p> <p>NBS National Battlefield Site</p> <p>NBP National Battlefield Park</p> <p>NHP National Historical Park</p>	<p>NHS National Historic Site</p> <p>NL National Lakeshore</p> <p>NM National Monument</p> <p>NMEM National Memorial</p> <p>NMP National Military Park</p> <p>NP National Park</p>	<p>N PRES National Preserve</p> <p>NR National River or Riverway</p> <p>NRA National Recreation Area</p> <p>NS National Seashore</p> <p>NSR National Scenic River or Riverway</p> <p>PKWY Parkway</p>
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North

0 100 200 500 kilometers Scale (all areas except Alaska)

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Qualifications

In general, selection of VOLUNTEERS IN PARKS depends upon the needs of the individual park and the qualifications and skills of each applicant.

You must be in good health and physically able to carry out your duties. The superintendent of the park where you want to volunteer may ask you to obtain a medical examination at Government expense.

VOLUNTEERS IN PARKS serve on a part-time or intermittent basis, such as an hour a week, several days a week, or on special occasions.

How To Apply

Contact the superintendent of the local National Park Service area where you wish to serve for the VOLUNTEERS IN PARKS positions he has available. For more information about specific NPS areas, you may write to the VOLUNTEERS IN PARKS coordinator in any of the NPS regional offices, addresses for which are listed herein.

Apply directly to the park by using the application form in this folder. Be sure to indicate any special interests or skills you want to use or develop. If you are under the age of 18 please attach the written consent of your parents or guardian. Applications can be made at any time.

If you are selected for the VOLUNTEERS IN PARKS program, you will be given an orientation on the National Park Service—its history, objectives, and programs, including public safety. While serving as a volunteer you may be reimbursed for some incidental expenses such as uniforms, local transportation, and meals.

As a VOLUNTEER IN PARKS you will be provided many opportunities to increase your knowledge and skills and to obtain personal satisfaction from serving your environment and your fellow man.

Volunteers In Parks Act

(Public Law 91-357)

The National Park Service is authorized:

“ . . . to recruit, train, and accept without regard to the civil service classification laws, rules, or regulations the services of individuals without compensation as volunteers for or in aid of interpretive functions, or other visitor services or activities in and related to areas administered . . . through the National Park Service . . . to provide for incidental expenses, such as transportation, uniforms, lodging, and subsistence.”

The volunteer:

“ . . . shall not be deemed a Federal employee and shall not be subject to the provisions of law relating to Federal employment, including those relating to hours of work, rates of compensation, leave, unemployment compensation, and Federal employee benefits.”

Except:

“ . . . For the purpose of the tort claim provisions of title 28 of the United States Code, a volunteer under this Act shall be considered a Federal employee.

“ . . . For the purposes of subchapter I of chapter 81 of title 5 of the United States Code, relating to compensation to Federal employees for work injuries, volunteers under this Act shall be deemed civil employees of the United States within the meaning of the term ‘employee’ as defined in section 8101 of title 5, United States Code, and the provisions of that subchapter shall apply.”

Administration

As the Nation's principal conservation agency, the Department of the Interior has responsibility for most of our nationally owned public lands and natural resources. This includes fostering the wisest use of our land and water resources, protecting our fish and wildlife, preserving the environmental and cultural values of our national parks and historical places, and providing for the enjoyment of life through outdoor recreation. The Department assesses our energy and mineral resources and works to assure that their development is in the best interests of all our people. The Department also has a major responsibility for American Indian reservation communities and for people who live in island territories under U.S. administration.

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