



VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Park Watch: Park Steward Job Description

Description: Do you enjoy Marin County parks and want to help maintain and/or improve them? In part because of increasingly limited funding and staffing, we need community members to assist with park maintenance, monitoring, and reporting. One of the Department's goals is to provide safe and quality recreation facilities for all people to be active and healthy. Volunteering will help us achieve this goal.

Responsibilities: In general, keep an eye on the park. Monitor garbage and restroom facilities, remove graffiti, repair vandalism, prune shrubs to keep trails and bridges open, maintain signs, remove litter and weeds, and report issues and potential safety hazards to Park Rangers.

Qualifications: Must be at least 18 years of age, able to communicate effectively with Park Rangers, able to interact with the public, able to visit park or facility frequently, and have knowledge of basic gardening and maintenance skills (or a willingness to learn). Local residency is preferred but not mandatory.

Time Commitment: Approximately 2 hours a week. Ideally, Park Stewards will visit their park or facility on a regular basis to insure that issues are addressed in a timely manner.

Measures of Success: Prompt and accurate reporting of maintenance needs, park or facility meets or improves upon its current service levels, and community recognizes the importance of volunteering.

Benefits: Meet new people, be recognized for community service, become a leader in your community, gain experience in facilities and park maintenance, and use as a job reference. You will have a voice in how the park or facility is maintained and you can help us resolve issues and complaints. You will receive a name badge and be affiliated with a larger group of Marin County Park Stewards.

If you are interested in becoming a Park Steward and want to learn about our parks and facilities, contact Park Ranger Kirk Schroeder at kschroeder@co.marin.ca.us or (415) 507-2823.