

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN OPEN LANDS



ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Volunteer educators help teach youth about wildlife, local plants, and urban natural areas. Students in Grades 2-5 attend field programs at River's Edge Natural Area including *Urban Wilderness*, *Plants & Places*, and *Wildlife Around Us*. Volunteers receive free training to give short presentations at small group learning stations. Choose one or more subjects. Volunteers also needed for monthly preschool programs.

Time Commitment:

- On-site and "classroom" training – 4 hours
- Teaching – 1 weekday per week preferred, from 9am–2pm
(½ day sessions also available – 9-11:30 or 11:30-2)
 - Fall programs – September & October
 - Spring programs – April & May



TRAIL HOST PROGRAM

- Engage in positive interactions with the general public
- Answer visitors' questions and provide general information
- Use *Authority of the Resource Technique (ART)* to encourage compliance with area regulations
- Practice & teach *Front Country Leave No Trace*
- Collect & report information regarding public use of natural areas utilizing contact sheets or computer entry



Time Commitment:

- On-site and classroom training – 4 hours total with option for training with experienced volunteer
- Trail Hosting – 4 hours per month preferred, flexible year-round schedule

VOLUNTEER MUSCLE for SPECIAL PROJECTS

Stewardship volunteers help with trail building, site restoration, planting, small construction, weed removal, clean-up, etc. *Project suggestions also welcome!*

All volunteers should be in good physical condition, capable of an easy 1-mile hike. No experience or knowledge necessary – all training and materials are provided.

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