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How to Apply

Contact the Volunteer Coordinator:
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You will be asked to:

- -Complete a Volunteer Application
- -Submit a Background Check Form
 - -Have an interview with the Volunteer Coordinator

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Volunteering At West Point Lake



WHY VOLUNTEER?

The U.S Army Corps of Engineers is utilizing volunteers in 39 states. Volunteers are becoming essential to keeping parks and campgrounds operational as the USACE is seeing a re-allocation in our budget causing us to make management and operational changes. Volunteer hours are recorded and can be provided to an institution to provide proof of services. Our program also allows volunteers to "cash in" volunteer hours to receive an Annual Day-Uses Pass (\$30 value). These passes are good for one-year from the issue date and allow access to USACE boat ramps and beach areas at no charge. A minimum of 100 hours is needed to receive this pass.

Volunteering at West Point Lake is FREE and can provide an individual with a sense of community and responsibility.



The USACE provides the tools and work equipment while you provide your time and camping equipment.

FULL HOOK-UP CAMPING

Opportunities

Volunteer Village March—September

Located in Amity Campground at camp sites #12-21, volunteers work a minimum of 21 hours/week. Individuals or couples are assigned a park or campground and perform the following: blow off campsites, clean fire rings, pick up trash, clean bathrooms and assist park rangers with other tasks.

Day-Use Parks May—September

Located at beach area day-use parks: Rocky Point, Earl Cook and Yellowjacket.

Two park host positions are available in each area and camp sites are located adjacent to the gatehouses. Park hosts work a 2 or 4 day on/off rotation schedule depending on location. Duties include open and close parks, assisting visitors, handling change fund money, maintain life jacket loaner stations, inspecting facilities, presenting water safety programs and pick up trash.

Campground Host October—March

Located at R.Shaefer Heard Campground, two sets of volunteer <u>couples</u> operate the gatehouse in rotating shifts. A 4-day training provides information on how to operate the gatehouse using the NRRS system and basic paperwork management. Duties include opening and closing the gates, being available in the gatehouse during set hours, maintaining a life jacket loaner station, inspecting the campground and facilities and communicating with campers to address rules and regulations of the park.

Winter Sitting October—February

Park host winter sitting positions are available at four campgrounds and three day-use parks. Duties include daily park inspections to monitor for maintenance items and vandalism. Volunteers who worked during the prior recreation seasons may be offered these winter sitting opportunities.



SHORT-TERM VOLUNTEERING

One-Day Activities

Throughout the year there are many opportunities for individuals, families and groups to work on various projects such as monitor Blue Bird nesting boxes, build fish attractors, clean signs, paint, plant trees, pick up trash, assist with special events and more.

Group Camping

Located in Amity Campground, camp sites #1-11 are reserved for various sized groups who require more than one day of volunteer service projects. This is ideal for Girl Scout and Boy Scout groups as well as other organized groups.

Amphitheater Programs

Located in R. Shaefer Heard Campground, this large outdoor space is ideal for those who desire to present an interpretive program to campers and the general public. Presenters may qualify for a free campsite.