



Community Volunteer Ambassador – Haleakalā National Park

Location: Makawao, HI

Position Details:

Stewards Individual Placements provides individuals with service and career opportunities to strengthen communities and preserve our natural resources. The Community Volunteer Ambassador (CVA) Program combines the strength of a national leader in conservation service with the National Park Service to train a diverse group of emerging leaders to assist park units in building lasting connections to local communities.

The Community Volunteer Ambassador (CVA) will support the Volunteers-In-Parks program at Haleakalā National Park, by expanding volunteerism, service-learning, community engagement efforts, and increasing the sustainability of established programs. This excellent opportunity is ideal for an enthusiastic young professional who is deeply committed to help strengthen the bonds between communities and parks.

Site Description:

Stretching from sea to summit, Haleakalā National Park offers a vast array of landscapes and ecosystems. From the lush rainforests to the rocky coastline, or the majestic overlooks of a volcanic landscape above the clouds. Haleakalā National Park has two separate districts, the Summit District and the Kīpahulu District. This special place vibrates with stories of ancient and modern Hawaiian culture and protects the bond between the land and its people. The park also cares for endangered species, some of which exist nowhere else.

Position Responsibilities:

- Assist with expanding Haleakalā's Volunteers-In Parks program by recruiting qualified local volunteers from a variety of backgrounds, and with different levels of experience or training.
- Exercise responsibility for the job safety and health of all employees and/or volunteers, and ensure conformance with park and service-wide safety programs.
- Assist with planning, directing, coordinating, implementing, and evaluating the effectiveness of community outreach programs that include presentations to the general public, special interest groups, local community groups, and educational groups.
- Coordinate functions that include visitor services, interpretive program management, public relations, and program promotion in the local community for a national park.
- Evaluate community outreach programs and develop proposed changes to accommodate changing visitation trends in a dynamic environment which includes multiple agency coordinated efforts.
- Collaborates with Hawaiian groups and local community organizations to accomplish short-term and long-term goals for successful partnerships and community involvement.
- Prepare formal and informal interpretative programs for the general public and educational institutions, which may include collaborating with other park division employees
- Collaborate with park partners to provide a comprehensive visitor services program to park visitors and neighbors.
- Conduct outreach with visiting public, officials of local communities, and other park personnel and park partners.
- Attend and participate in workshops, meetings, and conferences, as well as organizing and participating in field gathering efforts of the organization.

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- Provide planning, leadership, coordination and direction for the park with regards to the management of information and communications, both internally and externally.

CVA Minimum Requirements:

- Participate in the CVA National Early Service Training in fall/winter 2022/2023
- Be a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident
- Be 18-30 years old at time of service (veterans up to 35 years old)
- Good organizational skills and time management practices.
- Ability to communicate with people of all ages and cultures.
- Ability to work well in a team and collaborate with others on projects
- Self-starter and independent.
- Physically capable of being in the outdoors (sun/ heat/ cold), and at higher elevations.
- Must have a reliable vehicle or transportation method.
- Education: High School diploma/GED required
- Submit proof of a Driver's License and undergo a Federal Background Check, upon selection
- US Citizen, or Lawful Permanent Resident Alien of the United States

Preferred Qualifications:

- Familiar with Native Hawaiian language, resources, and culture.
- The ability to speak Hawaiian is preferred, but not required.
- Local applicant
- Effective communication skills
- Some experience engaging with the general public.
- A passion for history, specifically Hawai'i and Haleakalā National Park.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office
- Experience in social media platforms like Facebook and Instagram.

Additional Information:

- Housing is not available.
- Schedule may include some weekends and evenings.
- All areas of Haleakalā National Park are remote, prone to extreme weather conditions, and are accessed via winding, sometimes steep roads.
- Driver's license and a reliable vehicle are required.
- There is no public transportation available either to or in the park.
- Potential opportunity to collaborate with other sites on Hawai'i Island.

Benefits:

- CVA will receive a weekly stipend of **\$500** (additional \$65/week, if housing is not provided)
- Housing available
- Limited health care/childcare benefits
- The position is eligible for an AmeriCorps Education Award \$6,345.00 (pre-tax) upon successful completion of the program
- Professional development funds
- Networking opportunities within the National Park Service and partnering organizations
- Public Land Corps Hiring Authority



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How to Apply

The CVA position will start on **Monday, September 12th, 2022**, and run for 50 weeks until Friday, August 25th 2023. Applicants will need to apply here: [CVA Member Application 2022-2023 \(September Cohort\) \(jotform.com\)](#) and attach a cover.

Please ensure your cover letter addresses the specific requirements and position details for this park.

You may submit one application for multiple positions by selecting all sites and attaching the necessary cover letters.

Applications Deadline

Please submit your application by Friday, July 15th to ensure full consideration.

For Application Questions:

Please contact Geoff Elliot, Program Director at gelliot@conservationlegacy.org

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