





Community Volunteer Ambassador – Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area

Location: Atlanta, GA

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 CVA position will support our Volunteer in Parks program to expand outreach and involve diverse communities in opportunities to experience the park. The intern will develop training material, work with community organizations and non-profits to identify opportunities, and assist with volunteer events. The intern will be part of the broader park team and learn about resource management and park operations.

Site Description:

Chattahoochee River NRA is 15 land units along 48 river miles in northern metro Atlanta. Our volunteer program is large and successful and includes opportunities for trash clean-ups, trail maintenance and monitoring, biking, educational programming, and resource stewardship. Most volunteer events occur Saturday morning and our program offers a variety of training.

Position Responsibilities:

- Reach out to new community organizations with similar missions and goals to make connections
- Develop/improve VIP training to address park awareness
- Assist with visitor use stats and collect trail counter data. Develop VIP recruitment to assist the park with visitor stat collection.
- Join coordination with friends group to strengthen VIP opportunities (between NPS and CNPC) and learn about partnerships
- Participate in a variety of park operations (educational programs, resource field days, river floats, interdisciplinary team meetings)

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)
- A positive and inclusive attitude
- Initiative and a willingness to work and learn
- Good communication skills
- Education: Bachelor's Degree
- 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:

- Be a team player
- Experience speaking in public
- Prioritize customer service
- Enjoy the outdoors and have experience hiking and/or on the water
- Experience in water safety/ability to swim

Additional Information:

- Work will include Saturday programs
- Requires a driver's license
- Work will include driving between park units (up for 40 minutes)
- Shared park housing available (private bedroom/shared bath and common space)

Benefits:

- CVA will receive a weekly stipend of \$500 (additional \$65/week, if housing is not provided)
- Housing provided
- 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

How to Apply

The CVA position will start on <u>Monday, September 12th, 2022,</u> and run for 50 weeks until Friday, August 25th 2023. Applicants will need to apply here: <u>CVA Member Application 2022-2023 (September Cohort) (jotform.com)</u> 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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