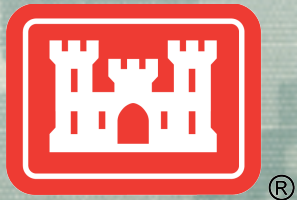


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The Corps Volunteer Program



Volunteers play an important role in protecting natural resources and maintaining recreation facilities at Corps projects.

In 2015: 41,595 Corps volunteers contributed 1,517,613 hours of work with an estimated value of \$35 million

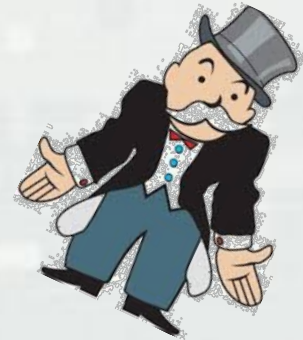
Volunteers can perform almost any task that a paid employee can:

- Park/Campground/Visitor Center hosts
- Interpretation/education
- Fish and wildlife habitat improvements
- Invasive species management
- Trail construction and maintenance
- Photography.... And more!



Why You Need Volunteers

- Budget realities do not allow you to accomplish your mission with the staff you have.



- Volunteers are your link to the local community. They are often some of the best advocates of the Corps of Engineers and our partners.

- Volunteers have unique skills and abilities that you can draw on.... Anything from a lifetime of experience to the strength and enthusiasm of youth

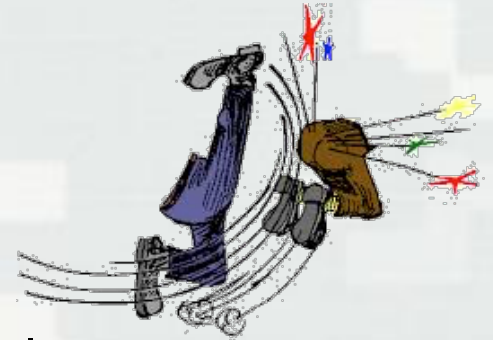


What Volunteers Can and Can't Do

- Volunteers can perform almost any task that a paid employee can do, provided they have received training or have experience.
- They can perform duties that once were, or are currently preformed by Corps employees.

Cannot:

- Enforce Title 36
- Create policy
- Volunteers will not be used to displace any personnel of the Corps of Engineers



Basic Job Design Questions

- What part of your job do you really enjoy that someone else may like to help out with?
- What part of your job don't you enjoy, but someone else might really like?
- What are some things you would like to see done that no one has the time or skill to do?



Creating Strategic Volunteer Jobs

- What problem are you trying to solve or what community need are you trying to meet?
- What are the forces contributing to that problem/ what are the obstacles you must overcome to solve the problem?
- Which strategies can you afford to pursue with paid staff?
- What can volunteers do to pursue the other strategies?



Motivating your Volunteers

- It is the volunteer coordinator's goal to achieve planned results through other people, by giving them:
 - Ownership
 - Responsibility for outcomes
 - Authority to think
 - A defined way to determine success



- Create a sense of community
- When you find good volunteers, inquire about their future plans. Let them know you want them back.
- Have FUN. Having fun and spending time with your volunteers trumps any certificate or award.



Volunteer Program Authorities

- **33 USC 569c (Public Law 98-63), Amended by WRRDA 2014 Sec 1047(d):** Authority to accept the services of volunteers and provide for their incidental expenses, including expenses relating to uniforms, transportation, lodging, and the subsistence of those volunteers to carry out any Corps activity except policy making, law or regulatory enforcement
- **33 USC 2325, WRDA 1992, Sec 203** Authority to accept contributions of cash, funds, materials, and services from persons, including government entities but excluding project sponsor

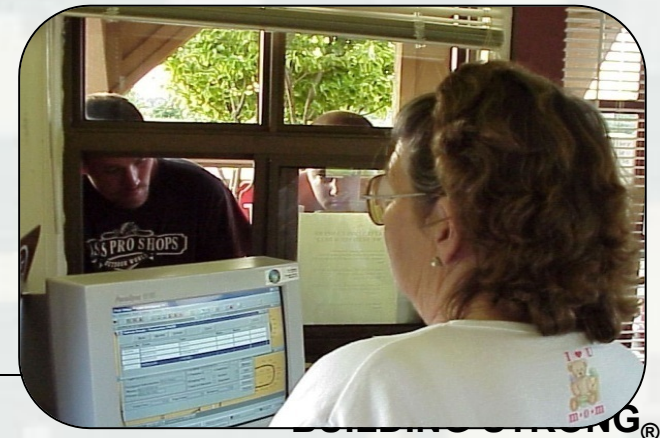


- **33 USC 2328, WRDA 1992, Sec 225** Authority to accept contributions of funds, materials, and services from non-Federal public and private entities



Volunteer Program Guidance

- **ER/EP 1130-2-500**, Chapter 10 Corps of Engineers Volunteer Program. Will be superseded by WRRDA 2014 Section 1047(d) implementation guidance once approved by ASA(CW)
- **Policy Letter 04-01**, October 2004: Established the Corps use of the Independent Sector's hourly rate to determine the value of service
 - FY15 rate = \$23.07 (FY 16 rate will be out in late April)
- **EP 1130-2-429**, Volunteer Coordinator's Handbook. April 1993.
 - Other versions available on the NRM Gateway:
 - Fort Worth
 - Bonneville Lock and Dam
 - Lake Kaweah
 - Lake Okeechobee
 - Saylorville Lake
 - Walla Walla District



Legal Alien/Permanent Resident Volunteers

- Permanent Resident Card or Alien Registration Receipt Card (Form I-551)



Foreign passport that contains a temporary I-551 stamp or temporary I-551 printed notation on a machine-readable immigrant visa (MRIV)



- Volunteer service may be accepted from legal aliens (permanent residents) or foreign exchange students.
- Must present J-1 or F-1 Student Visa (or passport if in the U.S. in tourist status from a visa-waiver country where visas are not required) or U.S. Permanent Resident Card INS Form I-551 (formerly known as Alien Registration Receipt Card) for review and verification.



Appendix E of ER: Examples of acceptable documentation forms

Background Check Procedures

- **Required** for any volunteer in one or more of the following scenarios:
 - Individuals who volunteer for more than 180 calendar days in a year
 - Positions that require wearing the Corps volunteer clothing/name tag who work independently of Corps personnel
 - Positions that work independently of USACE personnel that are regularly in contact with children.
 - Positions that require access to government files and records
 - Positions that require the collection or handling of fees
 - Positions that require access to a Corps networked computer



Background Check Procedures

- May be conducted, but are **not required** for any of the following:
 - Individuals who volunteer for one-time events
 - Individuals who volunteer for less than 180 days and who do not meet any of the scenarios as described on the previous slide
 - Volunteers who only work in proximity and direct supervision by a Corps employee



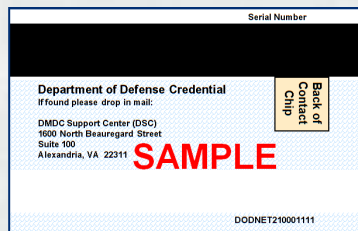
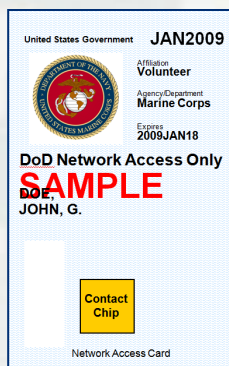
Background Check Procedures

- Volunteer Coordinators shall work with their District Security Office to obtain background checks and follow proper procedures
 - Districts with procedures in place (on NRM Gateway): LRN, LRP, MVR, NAD, NWP, NWS, SAJ, SAM, SAW, SWF, SWL, SWT
- National Crime Information Center Interstate Identification Index (NCIC III) is the baseline check for non-CAC volunteers. Valid for one year.
- All information received as a result of a background check will be held in confidence and handled according to Privacy Act regulation. Required components include, at a minimum:
 - Social security verification
 - Address trace
 - State or county criminal history
 - Sex offender registry to search all 50 states for known sex offenders



Computer Access for Volunteers

- Volunteers requiring government computer access connected to Department of Defense (DOD) networks must be issued a Volunteer Logical Access Credential (VOLAC) card.
- There is no cost for the VOLAC card, but there may be a cost associated with obtaining the required fingerprints during the background check process.



- Volunteers who only use stand alone government computers that are not connected to a DoD network do not require a VOLAC



VOLAC Requirements

- Volunteers must meet the following requirements to obtain a VOLAC:
 - Require frequent access to a DoD network to perform their duties.
 - Be a U.S. citizen
 - Be registered in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) through the Trusted Associate Sponsorship System (TASS)
 - Receive a favorable National Agency Check with Inquiries (NACI) and a favorable FBI National Criminal History Check (fingerprint check).
 - Be eligible for a DoD sponsored unclassified network account in Army Knowledge Online (AKO)
 - Agree to be photographed and have fingerprints taken and stored in the volunteer's DEERS record.



VOLAC Procedures

- Work with CPAC or the Security Office (SO) in requesting support from the Personnel Security Investigation - Center of Excellence. Fingerprints may be obtained by the SO or by local law enforcement officials on the SF-87 and submitted to the SO.
- Most District offices have established a TASS VOLAC program infrastructure by completing the following steps:
 - Assigned a Trusted Agent Security Manager (TASM) in the District Office and a TASS Site ID for the District. (*Contact Heather for your POC*)
 - The TASM must complete six online training courses to become certified. (Training takes approx. 6 hours and must be renewed annually.)
 - The TASM may appoint Trusted Agents (TA) for each of the project offices within the District. The TAs will need to complete three online training courses to become certified. (Approx. 4 hours)



VOLAC Procedures

- Once a District has the program set up, the following procedures must be followed to issue VOLAC cards to eligible volunteers:
 - The project volunteer coordinator (sponsor) will submit a request for a VOLAC card to a Trusted Agent (TA), which will typically be the Operations Project Manager or Natural Resource Manager at the project, or District Volunteer Coordinator.
 - The volunteer must complete an PSIP Release of Information Form NACI questionnaire, OF-306 Declaration of Employment, have fingerprints done, and complete an SF-85 via a PSIP request. (This can take 4+ weeks, so act early!)
 - The TA will review the request, create a volunteer record in TASS, and notify the volunteer coordinator to complete the request in TASS. (10 min)



VOLAC Procedures

- The volunteer sponsor or volunteer will complete the application and return it to the TA for verification and approval in TASS.
- The volunteer will be notified to report to the servicing DEERS/RAPIDS ID Card issuance facility for VOLAC issuance.
- Volunteer Access Cards can be issued for a maximum of 3 years, but must be re-verified every 180 days by the TA or the card will be revoked. The eligibility expiration date should be set for the duration of the expected length of service.
- **NOTE:** The NACI background check is valid for a lifetime, as long as a 2 year break in service does not occur at any point. (This is different than the NCIC III check for non-CAC volunteers which is only good for 1 year)
- VOLAC cards must be returned to a RAPIDS ID Card issuance facility for disposition, and access revoked in the TASS system when the volunteer completes their service.



VOLAC Responsibilities

Roles	Responsibilities
HQUSACE VOLAC/TASS Service POC	• Receive, process, and approve requests for TASS Site IDs and Trusted Agent Security Manager (TASM) appointments.
VOLAC Trusted Agent Security Managers (TASM)	• Register Trusted Agents (TA) • Transfer volunteer sponsorship between TAs • Remove TAs
VOLAC Trusted Agents (TA)	• Create new VOLAC account in TASS • Approve, reject, or return VOLAC application • Re-verify VOLAC requirement
Volunteer Sponsors	• Determine the validity of a request for a VOLAC. • Obtain verification of a favorable NACI and favorable FBI (finger print check) background check. • Ensure that the VOLAC is retrieved and the TA is notified whenever a VOLAC is no longer required.
Volunteer	• Obtain VOLAC at DEERS/RAPIDS ID Card facility when approved. • Return VOLAC to vol. sponsor upon termination

Volunteer Duties

Red Path

- (1) Volunteer positions that require access to a Corps networked computer.

Blue Path

- (2) Volunteer positions that require the collection or handling of fees.
- (3) Volunteer positions that require access to government files and records.
- (4) Individuals who volunteer for more than 120 calendar days in a year.
- (5) Volunteer positions that require wearing the Corps volunteer clothing/name tag who work independently of Corps personnel.

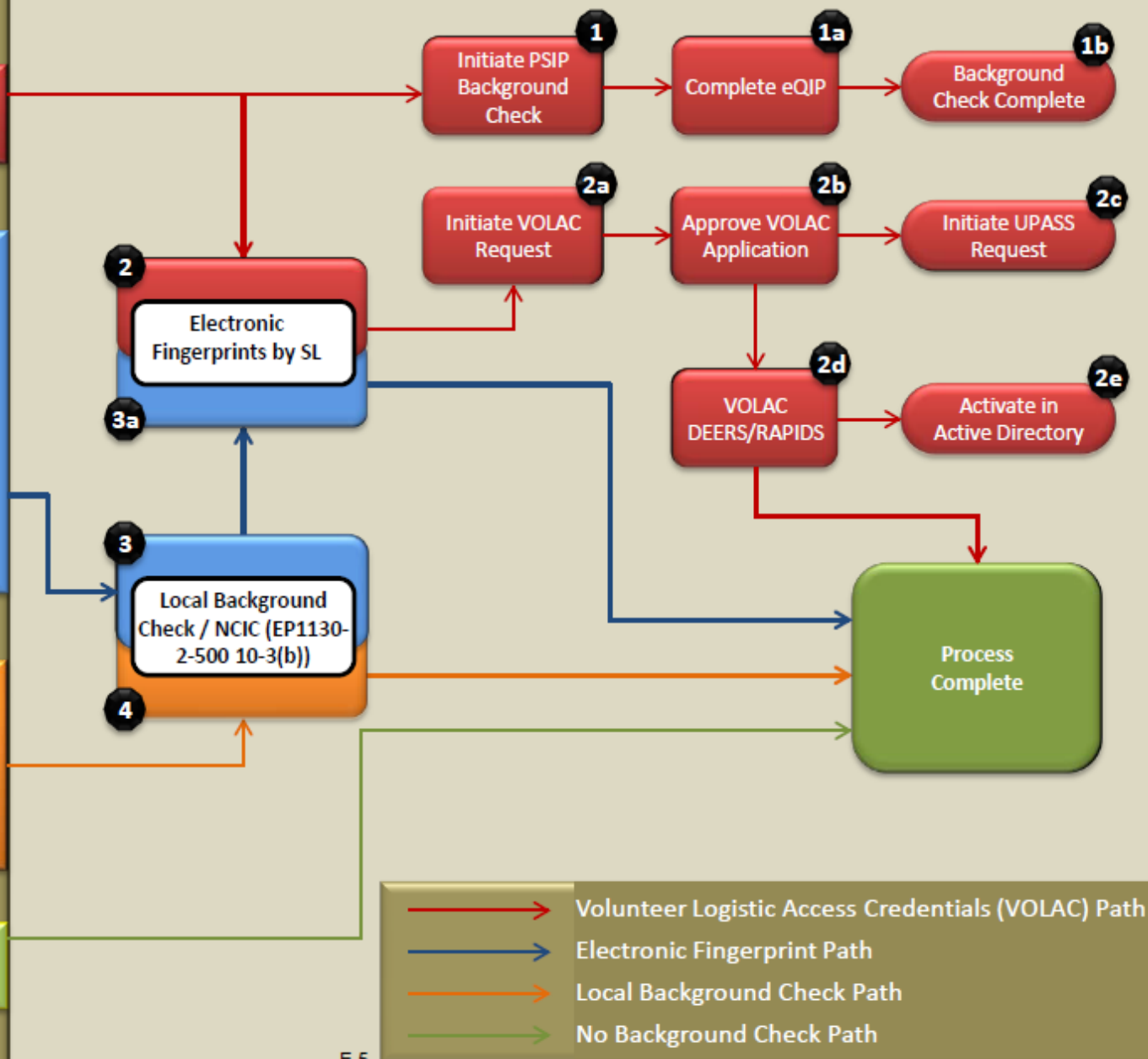
Orange Path

- (6) Individuals who volunteer for less than 120 days and who do not meet any of the scenarios as described in 1-5.
- (7) Volunteers who only work in proximity and direct supervision by a Corps employee.

Green Path

- (8) Individuals who volunteer for one-time events (14-days or less).

MVR Volunteer Security Process Map

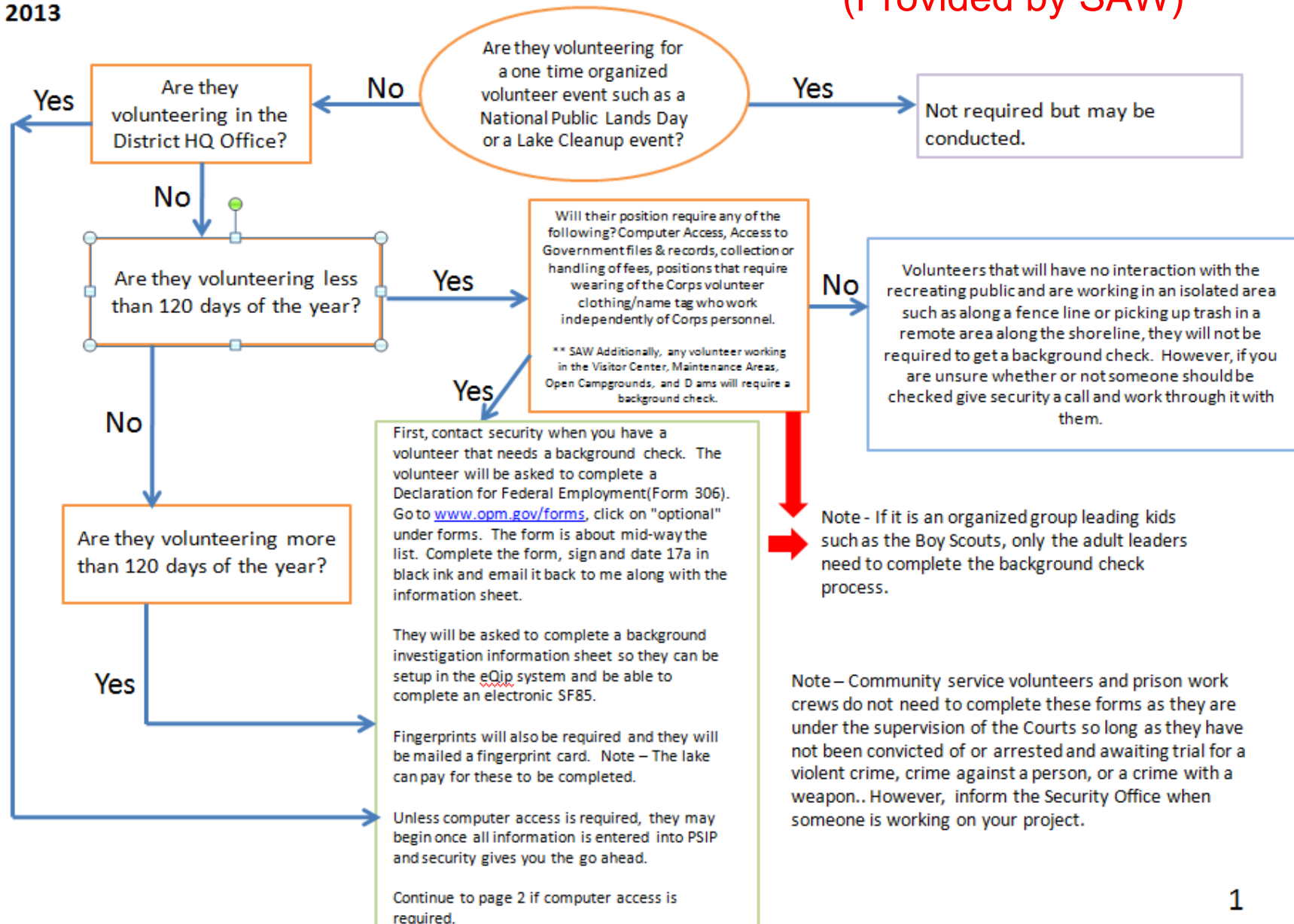


Background Check/VOLAC Flow Chart

Volunteer Background Checks
2013

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(Provided by SAW)



Obtaining Computer Access

Volunteers requiring government computer access connected to Department of Defense (DOD) networks must be issued a Volunteer Logical Access Credential (VoLAC) card.

STEP 1 - Volunteer must initiate a National Agency Check with Inquiries (NACI) through Security and have favorably returned results on their FBI National Criminal History Check (fingerprint check). Once complete, volunteer sponsor or supervisor should notify Carmen Boyette, carmen.b.boyette@usace.army.mil or 919-542-4501 x27 and provide a short justification as to why computer access is required.



STEP 2 - Carmen will verify with security that the NAC check has been initiated and the volunteer's fingerprint results have been returned favorably. Volunteer will be asked to provide the following information in a secure manner. Volunteer sponsor/supervisor may send an encrypted email or the volunteer may call with the information. **They key is that it must be done securely. Please do not allow the volunteer to send the information from their home computers.**

2. Volunteer will need to provide the following information.

- a. Last Name
- b. First Name
- c. Middle Name
- d. Cadency Name (if they have one such as Junior, Senior, II)
- e. Personal ID #(SSN)
- f. Home Email
- g. Date of Birth
- h. How long they will be volunteering so a card expiration date can be determined? Cards automatically expire after 180 days but can be renewed automatically.

The volunteer should also answer the following question.

Does the volunteer fall under any of the following?

- Current Contractor requesting a CAC re-issuance.
- Contractor for another DoD Service or Agency.
- Current or previous Reserve/Guard Member.
- Military Retiree.
- Current or previous DoD Civilian Employee.
- Dependent of Military Member.



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STEP 3 Carmen will enter the information provided in Step 2 into the Trusted Associate Sponsorship System (TASS). Once the application is initiated, Carmen will securely provide the volunteer's user name and password to the volunteer sponsor/manager or directly to the volunteer if requested. The user name and password should be provided securely to the volunteer. Avoid emailing to a personal home computer.



STEP 4 Volunteer has 7 days to complete an initial login to the Contractor Verification System and 30 days to complete their application. The faster a volunteer can complete their application, the sooner they will be able to get a VoLAC.

<https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/tass>



STEP 5 Carmen will approve the completed application. Once approved, an automatic email will be sent directly to the volunteer's home email provided with a carbon copy to Carmen. As a courtesy, Carmen will send the email to the volunteer sponsor and security letting them know the volunteer is now eligible to get a VoLAC. The following guidance will be in the email. Those in the District Office should contact Linda Williams regarding the card.

Your Trusted Associate Sponsorship System (TASS) application for a Common Access Card or government credential was approved. Please proceed to the nearest RAPIDS issuance facility with 2 valid forms of identification (see link below) for card issuance. Please check with the RAPIDS issuance facility to determine if an appointment is required.

For card issuance, a DD-2842 may still be required. The form can be obtained at the following Web Site, or one can be obtained at the RAPIDS issuance facility:

<http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/infomgt/forms/forminfo/forminfo2452.html>

Web Site provided for a list of valid forms of identification:

https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/tass/docs/List_Of_Valid_IDs.pdf

TASS Web Site: <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/tass/>

RAPIDS Locator Web Site: <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/rs/>

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STEP 6 – Carmen will monitor the VoLACs status in the system and reverify cards as needed. At the end of the VoLACs expiration date, volunteers still working will need to reapply.

At the conclusion of their volunteer service, volunteers must return their cards in a secure manner to the security office. Volunteer supervisors must also notify Carmen Boyette so she can revoke their cards in the TASS system after they depart.

Note – ACEIT will establish computer access for the volunteer. Be sure to submit an online ServiceTrak request. You may begin this process at the same time you are obtaining a VoLAC.

Volunteer Clothing

- Clothing items may be provided if essential to a volunteer's specified duties, such as in cases where clothing items are needed for safety reasons or when volunteers must be easily identifiable to Corps employees or the public, such as park hosts, visitor center staff, etc.
- Official Corps volunteer clothing items must be purchased from the Corps uniform contract provider.
- Multiple quantities of items may be provided to an individual. (Recommend 1 clean shirt per day of work week.)
- For volunteers performing maintenance duties, T-shirts may be ordered from a local vendor with the Corps logo and "Volunteer", but must be in colors similar to those offered under the uniform contract, with the exception of safety colored shirts and reflective materials.
- Volunteers are not authorized to wear the NRM uniform patch or any other item of the official NRM Class A-B-C-D uniform.



Volunteer Clothing

Available from VF Imagewear:

- Vests: red
- Sweatshirt jacket: red
- Polo shirt: tan, white or red
- Ball cap: beige/black
- Ball cap- summer: khaki or red
- Name Plate
- Patch (by request to uniform committee)



To order:

Go to the Website:

<https://www.vfsolutions.com/lma/>

- **Account Number**: UAA code in CAPS (or project code - typically 5-6 letters total, with 3 letters for district and 2-3 letters for project.)
- **Example**: LRNOLD is the code for Old Hickory Lake in the Nashville District.
- **Password**: UAA code in CAPS (same as above Account #).
- **Click on "Login" - "Continue" - "Volunteer Program"** is at the bottom left.
- Use the government VISA credit card to purchase.



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Food/Beverage Purchases

- Food and beverages may be provided to volunteers only when such subsistence is incidental to the rendering of volunteer services.
- Volunteers may be reimbursed for meals during the period of volunteer work, which shall not exceed the GSA schedule for government per diem.
- Meals and beverages provided for a recognition event are not incidental to the rendering of volunteer services, and are therefore impermissible.
- Any food or beverages purchased under this policy must be reviewed and approved by the District Resource Management Office (RM) and documented (i.e. email or Memorandum for Record (MFR) by telephone).



Volunteer Lodging



- Volunteers may be provided modest lodging at the project where their service occurs and not be required to pay a user fee.
- Districts may use appropriated funds to rent, purchase, or construct volunteer accommodations.
- Permissible lodging may include mobile homes, RVs, campers, cabins, hotel rooms, apartments, former government housing, or campsites.
- Accommodations should be noted on the volunteer agreement.



Volunteer Transportation

- Reimbursement for transportation expenses to and from a volunteer's residence may be authorized if within a reasonable commute
- Reimbursement for POV mileage will not exceed rates identified in the JTR.
- Long distance travel may be reimbursed in cases where it can be shown that the services of the volunteer are of exceptional value.
- Invitational travel orders approved at the District level shall be used for long distance travel.
- Long distance reimbursement will not exceed the amount identified in the JTR
- Transportation may include any mode recognized by the JTR, including POV, public transportation, trains, and airplanes.

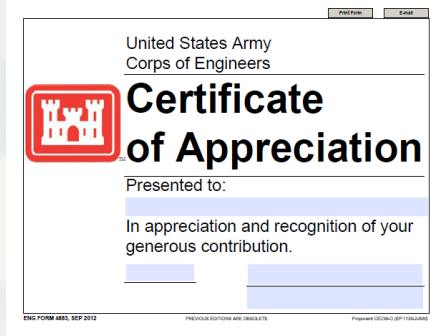


Reimbursable Expenses

- Volunteers do not receive any salary, but in some cases may be reimbursed for actual out-of-pocket expenses.
- Reimbursement is not required, should be approved in advance, and identified on the Volunteer Agreement.
- Some expenses might include transportation costs, lodging costs, personal safety equipment, and meals during duty hours.
- Reimbursement is authorized by ER1130-2-500, Ch. 10. Document the incidental expenses on Standard Form 1164, Claim for Reimbursement and follow your district's procedure.



Volunteer Appreciation



- Projects are encouraged to show appreciation for volunteer services received. Volunteers may be issued a certificate of appreciation to acknowledge their service, as well as be featured in articles, on websites, and thanked in person.
- Items such as celebration meals, appreciation gifts, or cash awards are not authorized for purchase with appropriated funds for volunteers, but may be donated by Friends groups, cooperating associations, or other partners to recognize outstanding volunteers.
- Volunteers may be eligible for DoD Public Service Awards.
- Individual and family/couple volunteers are now eligible for the National Volunteer Award, sponsored by the Corps Foundation



National Volunteer Award

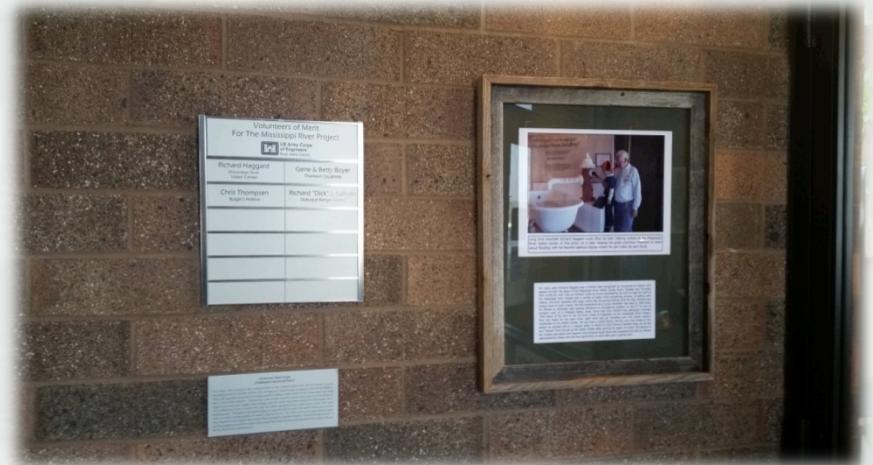


2014 Group winner: SCDNR Visitor Center Team,
Cooper River Rediversion Project, SAC



Volunteer Appreciation

Volunteer Appreciation Walls



Volunteer Pass Program: Corps Pass

- Approved in November 2012: enables volunteers who have served a minimum of 100 hours at Corps managed areas to receive a free Annual Day Use Pass
- Volunteers can accumulate hours at multiple Corps projects.
- Volunteer hours will be verified and entered by volunteer coordinators in a centralized database.
- Database launched in late May 2013 <https://www.el.wes.army.mil/nrm/vhs/>
- 59 lakes participating with 292 passes issued in 2013 and 2014
- Supplemented by the ATB Volunteer pass in 2016



Volunteer Pass Program: ATB Pass



- Went into effect on January 1, 2016 when the Corps fully implemented the America the Beautiful pass program
- 250 hours of cumulative service = free America the Beautiful Volunteer Pass
- Volunteers can accumulate hours at Corps, BLM, BOR, FWS, USFS, and NPS sites. Hours earned at other agencies must be verified by the volunteer's prior coordinator.
- Volunteer hours earned at Corps lakes will be verified and entered by volunteer coordinators in the centralized database that is also used for the Corps pass.
- Covers entrance fees and day use fees at participating agencies for one year from date of issuance



Volunteer Coin Program

- Created in May 2015. Sponsored by the Corps Foundation
- Coins awarded to regional nominees for the National Volunteer Award and national winner, and to volunteers who perform extraordinary acts of service
- Plan to expand to more award categories with corporate sponsorship



Volunteer Frequently Asked Questions

- Volunteers under the age of 18:
 - May volunteer with written consent of their parent or guardian.
 - If volunteering as part of a group volunteer agreement, leader must provide a complete list of group participants and separate OF 301a agreements signed by the parents/guardians for all participants under the age of 18.
- Use of government-owned or leased vehicles, vessels, machinery, etc.
 - Requirement for use should be stated on the volunteer agreement and acknowledged by the volunteer's signature.
 - Must have proper training, license, and/or experience in accordance with USACE operator permit policies
 - Volunteers are liable for damages to government property if their negligence is the proximate cause.



Volunteer Safety

- The same safety briefings, trainings, and equipment provided to Corps personnel will also be provided to volunteers
- Job Hazard Analysis (JHA) must be completed and signed by the Corps volunteer coordinator/supervisor and the volunteer, and saved with the Volunteer Agreement form
- Activity Hazard Analysis (AHA) may also be completed for specific one time tasks/events, or to supplement the JHA
- Samples of JHAs and AHAs on the Gateway
- Injuries to volunteers are reported in the same manner as those involving Corps personnel -- CA-1 & CA-16 (must be filled out by a Dr).

ACTIVITY HAZARD ANALYSIS		
ACTIVITY: Entering excavations or trenches	ANALYZED BY/DATE: Bill Clevenger 13 April 2002	REVIEWED BY/DATE:
PRINCIPAL STEPS	POTENTIAL SAFETY/HEALTH HAZARDS	RECOMMENDED CONTROLS
Ensure work area is safe	Injuries to head or feet, falls	Wear hardhat, safety-toed shoes and safety glasses. Use ladders for access or exit of excavations
Entering excavations/trenches	Slide slope failure. Shoring collapse	Excavation/trench sides should be sloped according to the OSHA Regulations concerning side slopes for excavations/trenches. Do not enter an excavation/trench unless you feel it is safe. all unsecured objects should be moved away from the edge of the excavation/trench. Assure that slopes are according to regulation or approved shoring and ladders are used. Reference EM385-1-1, Section 23.
Briefly inspect excavation/trench side slopes or shoring	Objects falling into excavation/trench	All materials should be moved at least two feet from the edge of the excavation
Exit excavation/trench	Falling off ladder	See JHA for "Using Ladders". Do not use a backhoe bucket to enter/exit an excavation/trench

Volunteer Reporting for OSHA

- January 1, 2014 new requirement for Federal OSHA recordkeeping to include volunteer injuries and illnesses
- Prefix “V” before OPM job series # on OSHA 300 column C
 - Example - V0334 Computer Specialist

The image displays three OSHA forms used for recordkeeping:

- OSHA's Form 300 (Rev. 12/2004): Log of Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses**. This form is used to maintain a log of all work-related injuries and illnesses that require medical treatment, job transfer, or loss of consciousness. It includes columns for date, employee name, job title, and a detailed description of the incident.
- OSHA's Form 301 (Rev. 12/2004): Injury and Illness Incident Report**. This form provides a detailed report of a specific injury or illness incident. It includes sections for information about the employee, the incident, the physician or health care professional, and the establishment.
- OSHA's Form 300A (Rev. 01/2004): Summary of Work-Related Injuries and Illnesses**. This form is a summary of the information recorded on Forms 300 and 301. It includes sections for establishment information, number of cases, and a summary of the incidents.

OSHA 300

OSHA 300A

OSHA 301

Volunteer Reporting in OMBIL

- Volunteer data must be captured each year during October in the REC – Annual Update (Wizard)
- Annual Project Data Update: Record total number of volunteers, volunteer hours, and reimbursable expenses
- Annual Partnerships Update: Record number of volunteers and volunteer hours that the partner provides
- Hours served by SCA and other youth conservation corps groups should be entered as volunteer hours in both update sections.
- National Fair Labor Standards Act: Participants who make less than minimum wage are technically and legally considered "volunteers"



Volunteer Data Decision Tree

- Available on OMBIL Partnerships FAQ page:
<http://corpslakes.usace.army.mil/employees/faqs.cfm?Id=partner-OMBIL&Nav=partner&View=Yes>

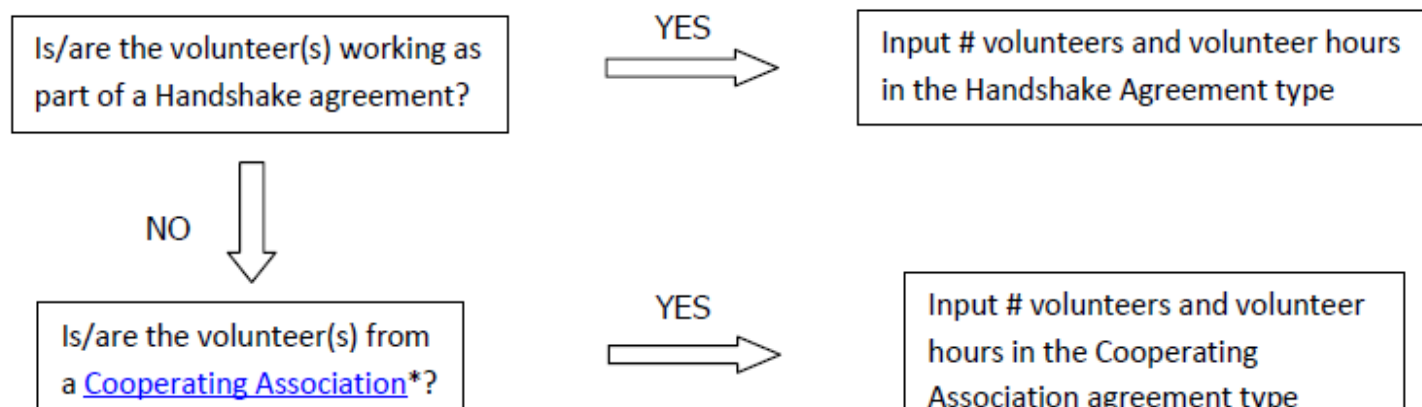
Step 1. Recreation Annual Update- Annual Project Data Update

Enter ALL volunteer hours in this section of OMBIL. This is where you will capture the total number of volunteers, total hours of volunteer service (which will auto-calculate the total value of the service), and total incidental expenses reimbursed to all volunteers for the FY.

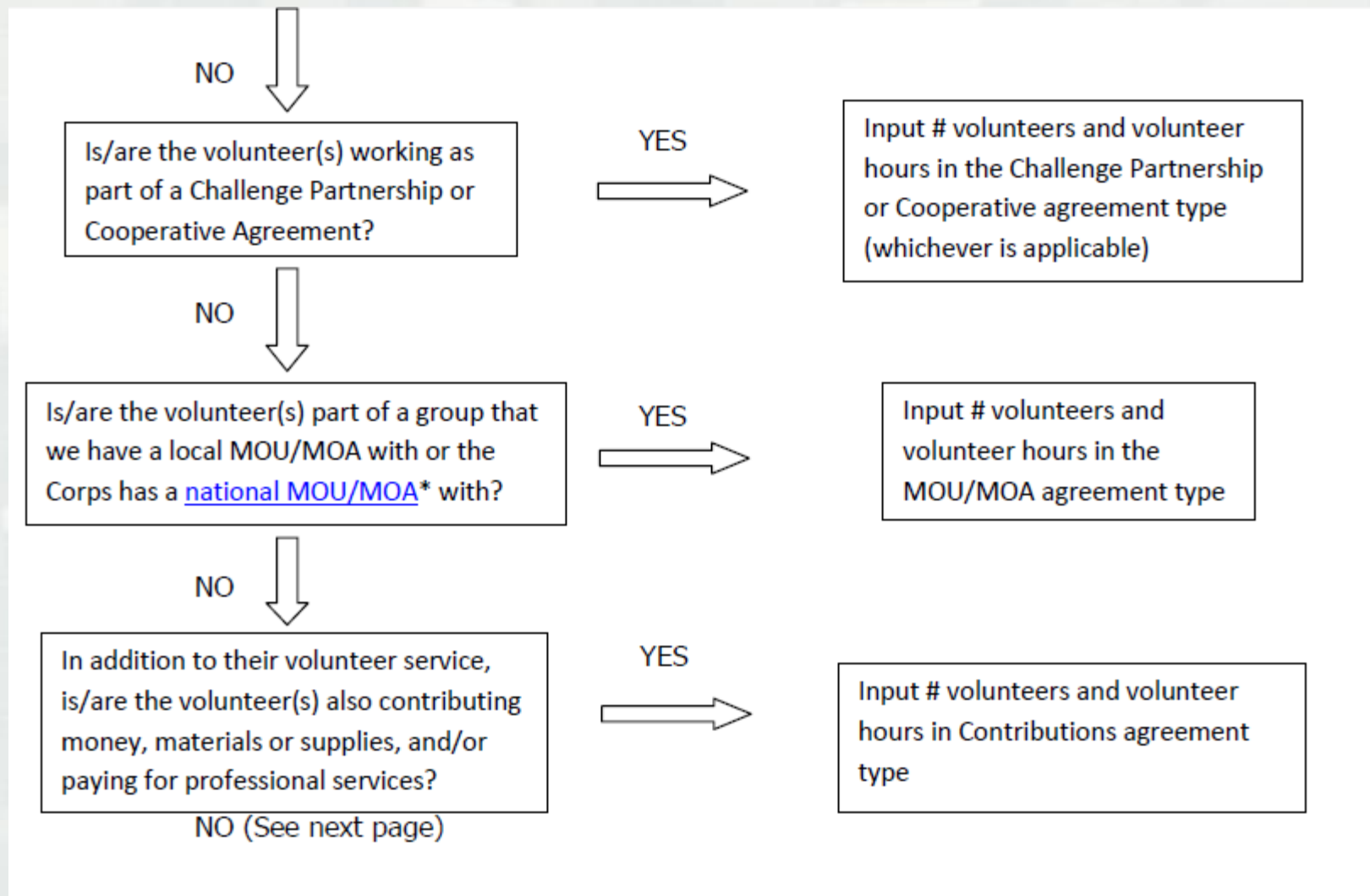
Step 2. Recreation Annual Update- Partnership Update

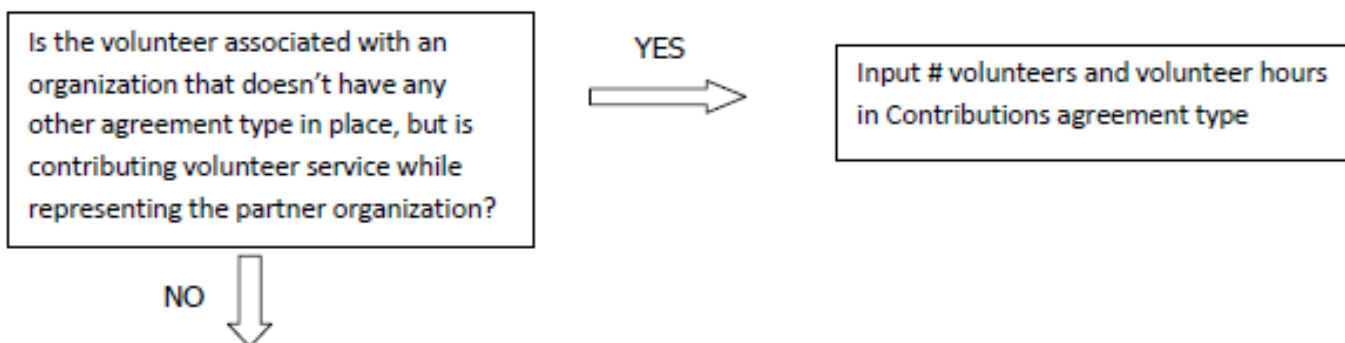
In addition to gathering information about the overall number of volunteers, hours, and value, we are also trying to capture more detailed data about volunteers that are part of a partnership. Some volunteers such as camp hosts, gate attendants, and other individuals who volunteer may only be counted in the Annual Project Data Update. Other volunteers that are part of a partner organization should also have their hours counted in the Partnership Update.

Please use the flow chart below to determine whether to count a particular individual volunteer's or group of volunteers' hours in the Partnership Update section of OMBIL.



Volunteer Data Decision Tree (Cont.)





If you answer No to all of the questions above, the data for these volunteers will ONLY be input in the Annual Project Data Update section of OMBIL, not under Partnerships. If you answer Yes to any of the questions above, input the data into the first category with a Yes answer starting from the top down. Some volunteers may fit into multiple categories, but you should input the data in the first applicable category encountered in the flow chart.

Example 1: A volunteer group from IMBA (International Mountain Biking Association) may provide service to the Corps as part of a Challenge Partnerships Agreement, but they are also part of a national MOU. Because the Challenge Partnership agreement is an agreement for a limited, specific period of time and project, the volunteer hours for the particular project in the agreement should be input in the Challenge Partnership category instead of the MOU. If IMBA also volunteers hours not related to the Challenge Partnership Agreement, those additional hours would be input separately in the MOU category.

Example 2: Volunteers from a Cooperating Association, such as the Friends of Raystown Lake provide services for a project that is part of a Handshake Agreement. These hours should be input in the Handshake category instead of the Cooperating Association category, because the Handshake agreement is for a specific project. Additional hours volunteered by Association members such as working in a bookstore, creating interpretive materials, or managing a campground should be captured in the Cooperating Association category if they are not specifically associated with the Handshake project.

*See [NRM Gateway MOU/MOA page](#) for list of national organizations with MOU/MOA and [NRM Gateway Cooperating Association page](#) for list of associations in OMBIL. There is a pick-list of cooperating associations already in OMBIL. If you have a new cooperating association that is not on the list, please contact Heather Burke the get it added to the system.

Volunteer Program Forms

OF 301: Volunteer Application (Approved by OMB for all agency use)

Volunteer Application for Natural Resources Agencies		Instructions: Mark ☒ in the appropriate boxes, for other items either print or type responses. If extra space is needed use item 18.																															
1. Name (Last, First, Middle) _____	2. Age _____	3. Telephone Number (____) ____ - ____	4. Email Address _____																														
5. Street Address (include apartment no., if any) _____		6. City, State, and Zip Code _____																															
7. Which general volunteer work categories are you most interested in? <table border="0"><tr><td>☐ Archeology</td><td>☐ Historical/ Preservation</td><td>☐ Soil/ Watershed</td></tr><tr><td>☐ Botany</td><td>☐ Pest/Disease Control</td><td>☐ Timber/Fire Prevention</td></tr><tr><td>☐ Campground Host</td><td>☐ Minerals/ Geology</td><td>☐ Trail/Campground Maintenance</td></tr><tr><td>☐ Construction Maintenance</td><td>☐ Natural Resources Planning</td><td>☐ Tour Guide/Interpretation</td></tr><tr><td>☐ Computers</td><td>☐ Office/Clerical</td><td>☐ Visitor Information</td></tr><tr><td>☐ Conservation Education</td><td>☐ Range/Livestock</td><td>☐ Other (Please specify) _____</td></tr><tr><td>☐ Fish/Wildlife</td><td>☐ Research/Librarian</td><td></td></tr></table>				☐ Archeology	☐ Historical/ Preservation	☐ Soil/ Watershed	☐ Botany	☐ Pest/Disease Control	☐ Timber/Fire Prevention	☐ Campground Host	☐ Minerals/ Geology	☐ Trail/Campground Maintenance	☐ Construction Maintenance	☐ Natural Resources Planning	☐ Tour Guide/Interpretation	☐ Computers	☐ Office/Clerical	☐ Visitor Information	☐ Conservation Education	☐ Range/Livestock	☐ Other (Please specify) _____	☐ Fish/Wildlife	☐ Research/Librarian										
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9. Based on boxes checked in items 7 and 8, what particular type of volunteer work would you like to do? (Please describe any specific qualifications, skills, experience, or education that apply) _____																																	
10. Are you a United States Citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No (If no, additional information may be required)																																	
11. a. Have you volunteered before? ☐ Yes ☐ No b. If Yes, please briefly describe your volunteer experience. _____																																	
12. Would you like to supervise other volunteers? ☐ Yes ☐ No																																	
13. What are some of your objectives for working as a volunteer? (Optional) _____																																	
14. Please specify any physical limitations that may influence your volunteer work activities: _____																																	
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15c. Which days per week would you be available for volunteer work? ☐ Monday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Wednesday ☐ Thursday ☐ Friday ☐ Saturday ☐ Sunday																																	
16. Specify at least three states or specific locations within a state where you would like to do volunteer work. _____																																	
17. Specify your lodging needs: ☐ I will furnish my own lodging (such as tent; camper; own, relative's, or friend's place) ☐ I will require assistance in finding lodging																																	
18. If a volunteer assignment is not available at the location specified in item 16, do you want your application forwarded to another location or Federal agency seeking volunteers with your background/interests? ☐ Yes ☐ No (Please specify) _____																																	
19. This is provided for more detailed responses. Please indicate the item numbers to which these responses apply: _____																																	
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Notice to Volunteer Volunteers are not considered Federal employees for any purposes other than tort claims and injury compensation. Volunteer service is not creditable for leave accrual or any other benefit. However, volunteer service is creditable work experience. By signing this application the volunteer(s) understand(s) s/he may be subject to a reference check, background check, and/or criminal history inquiry.																																	
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20. Signature (Sign in ink) _____			20. Date _____																														

Volunteer Program Forms

OF 301a: Volunteer Agreement (Approved by OMB for all agency use)

Volunteer Services Agreement for Natural Resources Agencies for Individuals or Groups

Please print when completing this form

Site Name/Project Leader		Agency	Reimbursement (if any)	
Name of Volunteer or Group Leader - Last, First, Middle		Age (If Individual Agreement) ☐ Under 18 ☐ 18-25 ☐ 26-55 ☐ 56 and Older		
Are you a U.S. Citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No Visa Type	Email Address	Home Phone	Mobile Phone	
Street Address		City	State	Zip

IF VOLUNTEER IS UNDER AGE 18 - Name of Parent or Legal Guardian	Home Phone	Mobile Phone	Email Address
Street Address	City	State	Zip
I affirm that I am the parent/guardian of the above named volunteer. I understand that the agency volunteer program does not provide compensation, except as otherwise provided by law; and that the service will not confer on the volunteer the status of a Federal employee. I have read the attached description of the service that the volunteer will perform.			
I give my permission for _____ to participate in the specified volunteer activity sponsored by _____ at _____ (Name of Sponsoring Organization, if applicable) (Name of Volunteer Duty Station)			
From _____ to _____ (Date) (Date) (Parent/Guardian Signature) (Date)			

Emergency Contact Name	Home Phone	Mobile Phone	Email Address
Street Address	City	State	Zip

GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL COMPLETES THIS SECTION

Description of service to be performed. Include details such as time and schedule commitment, use of personal equipment, government vehicle, skills required (note certifications if necessary), level of physical activity required, etc. Attach the complete job description and job hazard analysis to this form. If this is a group agreement, the leader is to provide the group name, a complete list of group participants to be attached to this form, and parental approval (above) completed for each volunteer under the age of 18.

Government Vehicle required? ☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Valid State Driver's License ☐ International Driver's License
Personal Vehicle to be used? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Please verify that the volunteer is in possession of one of these documents. DO NOT keep a copy of the document for his/her file.

I understand that I will not receive any compensation for the above service and that volunteers are NOT considered Federal employees for any purpose other than tort claims and injury compensation. I understand that volunteer service is not creditable for leave accrual or any other employee benefits. I also understand that either the government or I may cancel this agreement at any time by notifying the other party.

I understand that my volunteer position may require a reference check, background investigation, and/or a criminal history inquiry in order for me to perform my duties.

I understand that all publications, films, slides, videos, artistic or similar endeavors, resulting from my volunteer services as specifically stated in the attached job description, will become the property of the United States, and as such, will be in the public domain and not subject to copyright laws.

I understand the health and physical condition requirements for doing the work as described in the job description and at the project location, and certify that the statement I have checked below is true:

☐ I know of no medical condition or physical limitation that may adversely affect my ability to provide this service.

☐ I do know of a medical condition or physical limitation that may adversely affect my ability to provide this service and have explained it to _____

(Name of Agency Official)

I do hereby volunteer my services as described above, to assist in agency-authorized work. I agree to follow all applicable safety guidelines.

(Signature of Volunteer)

(Date)

The above-named agency agrees, while this arrangement is in effect, to provide such materials, equipment, and facilities that are available and needed to perform the service described above, and to consider you as a Federal employee only for the purposes of tort claims and injury compensation to the extent not covered by your volunteer group, if any.

(Signature of Government Representative)

(Date)

Termination of Agreement

Volunteer requests formal evaluation ☐ Yes ☐ No Evaluation Completed _____
(Date)

Agreement terminated on _____
(Date) (Signature of Government Representative)

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OF 301b: Volunteer Group Agreement (Newest form)

AGENCY NAME:

Volunteer Sign-up Form for Groups

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ENG Form 4882-R: Volunteer Service Record



US Army Corps
of Engineers

VOLUNTEER SERVICE RECORD (ER 1130-2-500)

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)

DATE (Year, Month, Day)

PROJECT/OFFICE

PREVIOUS HOURS

DAY	JOB TITLE	LOCATION	HOURS WORKED	EQUIVALENT VALUE IN \$/HR.	DOLLAR VALUE



Volunteer Program Forms

Standard Form 1164: Claim for Reimbursement for Expenditures on Official Business (Volunteer's incidental expenses)

CLAIM FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENDITURES ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS		1. DEPARTMENT OR ESTABLISHMENT, BUREAU, DIVISION OR OFFICE 		2. VOUCHER NUMBER 						
				3. SCHEDULE NUMBER 						
Read the Privacy Act Statement on the back of this form.										
4. CLAIMANT	a. NAME (Last, first, middle initial)		b. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.		5. PAID BY 					
	c. MAILING ADDRESS (Include ZIP Code)		d. OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER							
6. EXPENDITURES (If fare claimed in col. (g) exceeds charge for one person, show in col. (h) the number of additional persons which accompanied the claimant.)										
DATE	C O D E	Show appropriate code in col. (b):		MILEAGE RATE c	AMOUNT CLAIMED					
		A - Local travel	D - Funeral Honors Detail		B - Telephone or telegraph, or	E - Specialty Care	C - Other expenses (itemized)	MILE AGE	FARE OR TOLL	ADD PER- SONS
		(Explain expenditures in specific detail.)				NO. OF MILES (e)				
(a)	(b)	(c) FROM	(d) TO		(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)		

Volunteer Program Forms

Standard Form 87: Federal Employee and Military Fingerprint Card (Used for background checks for VOLAC card)

SF-87

Federal Employee and Military Fingerprint Card - Numbered Fields are Required and Must be Fully Completed in Accordance With The Provided Instructions.

SF 87 (REV. APRIL 2006)
US OFFICE OF PERSONNEL
MANAGEMENT
E.O. 10450

LEAVE BLANK

TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION IN BLACK

LAST NAME NAM FIRST NAME MIDDLE INITIAL

FBI

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SIGNATURE OF PERSON FINGERPRINTED

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USOPMOOZ - FIPC BOYERS, PA

RESIDENCE OF PERSON FINGERPRINTED

SERIAL NO. (OPM USE ONLY) OCA

DATE OF BIRTH DOB
MONTH 12 DAY YEAR

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SEX

RACE

HGT.

WGT.

EYES

HAIR

PLACE OF BIRTH POB

DATE

SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL TAKING FINGERPRINTS

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TITLE AND ADDRESS

SCARS, MARKS, AND TATTOOS

CLASS

POSITION TO WHICH APPOINTED

FBI NO. FBI

REF.

DEPARTMENT, BUREAU, AND DUTY STATION (CITY AND STATE)

SOCIAL SECURITY NO. SOC

4

1. NAM

Full name in following order, LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE. Initials are NOT acceptable. If applicant has no middle name, enter NMN for the MIDDLE.

7. HGT

Must include three numeric characters. Enter applicant's height in feet and inches. Do not use "or".
Example:
for 5' 11" enter 511

10. HAIR

Must include three letter code:

Color

Bald

Black

Code

BAL

BLK

Volunteer Program Forms

Standard Form 85: Questionnaire for Non-Sensitive Positions

Standard Form 85
Revised September 1995
U.S. Office of Personnel Management
5 CFR Parts 731 and 736

Form approved:
OMB No. 3206-0005
NSN 7540-00-634-4035
85-111

Questionnaire for Non-Sensitive Positions

Follow instructions fully or we cannot process your form. Be sure to sign and date the certification statement on Page 5 and the release on Page 6. If you have any questions, call the office that gave you the form.

Purpose of this Form

The U.S. Government conducts background investigations to establish that applicants or incumbents either employed by the Government or working for the Government under contract, are suitable for the job. Information from this form is used primarily as the basis for this investigation. Complete this form only after a conditional offer of employment has been made.

Giving us the information we ask for is voluntary. However, we may not be able to complete your investigation, or complete it in a timely manner, if you don't give us each item of information we request. This may affect your placement or employment prospects.

Authority to Request this Information

The U.S. Government is authorized to ask for this information under Executive Order 10577, sections 3301 and 3302 of title 5, U.S. Code; and parts 5, 731, and 736 of Title 5, Code of Federal Regulations.

Your Social Security Number is needed to keep records accurate, because other people may have the same name and birth date. Executive Order 9397 also asks Federal agencies to use this number to help identify individuals in agency records.

2. Type or legibly print your answers in black ink (if your form is not legible, it will not be accepted). You may also be asked to submit your form in an approved electronic format.

3. All questions on this form must be answered. If no response is necessary or applicable, indicate this on the form (for example, enter "None" or "N/A"). If you find that you cannot report an exact date, approximate or estimate the date to the best of your ability and indicate this by marking "APPROX." or "EST."

4. Any changes that you make to this form after you sign it must be initialed and dated by you. Under certain limited circumstances, agencies may modify the form consistent with your intent.

5. You must use the State codes (abbreviations) listed on the back of this page when you fill out this form. Do not abbreviate the names of cities or foreign countries.

6. The 5-digit postal ZIP codes are needed to speed the processing of your investigation. The office that provided the form will assist you in

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OPM 306: Declaration for Federal Employment

Declaration for Federal Employment		Form Approved OMB No. 3208-0182	
GENERAL INFORMATION			
1. FULL NAME (First, middle, last) ◆	2. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER ◆		
3. PLACE OF BIRTH (Include city and state or country) ◆	4. DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY) ◆		
5. OTHER NAMES EVER USED (For example, maiden name, nickname, etc) ◆ ◆	6. PHONE NUMBERS (Include area codes) Day ◆ Night ◆		
Selective Service Registration			
If you are a male born after December 31, 1959, and are at least 18 years of age, civil service employment law (5 U.S.C. 3328) requires that you must register with the Selective Service System, unless you meet certain exemptions.			
7a. Are you a male born after December 31, 1959?	☐ YES	☐ NO If "NO" skip 7b and 7c. If "YES" go to 7b.	
7b. Have you registered with the Selective Service System?	☐ YES	☐ NO If "NO" go to 7c.	
7c. If "NO," describe your reason(s) in item #16.			
Military Service			
8. Have you ever served in the United States military? ☐ YES Provide information below ☐ NO			
If you answered "YES," list the branch, dates, and type of discharge for all active duty.			
If your only active duty was training in the Reserves or National Guard, answer "NO."			
Branch	From MM/DD/YYYY	To MM/DD/YYYY	Type of Discharge
Background Information			
For all questions, provide all additional requested information under item 16 or on attached sheets. The circumstances of each event you list will be considered. However, in most cases you can still be considered for Federal jobs.			
For questions 9,10, and 11, your answers should include convictions resulting from a plea of <i>nolo contendere</i> (no contest), but omit (1) traffic			

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ENG Form 4883: Certificate of Appreciation

Print Form

E-mail

United States Army
Corps of Engineers



**Certificate
of Appreciation**

Presented to:

In appreciation and recognition of your
generous contribution.

ENG FORM 4883, SEP 2012

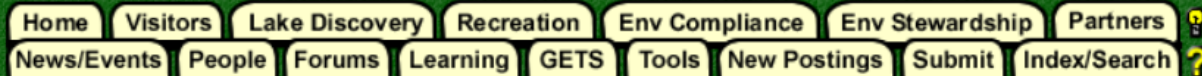
PREVIOUS EDITIONS ARE OBSOLETE.

Proponent CECW-D (EP 1130-2-500)



Resources: NRM Gateway

<http://corpslakes.usace.army.mil/employees/volunteer/volunteer.cfm>



Volunteer Program

[Headquarters POC](#)

Corps projects offer many volunteer opportunities in recreation and natural resources management. Volunteers can serve as park and campground hosts, staff visitor centers, conduct programs, clean shorelines, restore fish and wildlife habitat, maintain park trails and facilities, and more. Corps personnel can recruit their own volunteers or get help from the [Volunteer Clearinghouse](#), www.corpslakes.us/volunteer, (1-800-VOL-TEER or 1-800-865-8337), a national information center for people interested in volunteering at Corps projects across the country. Corps offices that have upcoming projects or events that volunteers can assist with may use the Volunteer Clearinghouse to [submit their volunteer projects on-line](#).

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- [Inmate Labor Program](#)
- [Volunteer Pass Program](#)
- [News / Current Issues](#)
- [FAQs](#)
- [Good Enough to Share](#)
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- [Related Sites](#)
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- [Corps Photo Album for Volunteers](#)
- [National Volunteer Awards](#)

Resources: Volunteer Brochure

Who Can Volunteer?

You are eligible to volunteer with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers if you are:

- A U.S. citizen or a legal alien (permanent resident), or foreign exchange student with J-1 or F-1 student visa
- 18 years or older
- Anyone under age 18 may participate with written consent from a parent or guardian.

Many volunteer positions do not require prior experience, but let us know if you have an area of expertise.



When Can You Volunteer?

Volunteer opportunities are available for a day, a weekend, or long-term. Positions range from office work to vigorous physical outdoor labor. You may work part time or full time, anytime of the year.



How to Volunteer

Contact a nearby Corps lake visitor center or office and talk to a park ranger to learn more. You can also call 1-800-VOL-TEER (1-800-865-8337) or visit the Corps Volunteer Clearinghouse website anytime at corpslakes.us/volunteer if you are interested in volunteering with the Corps.

The Clearinghouse serves as a nationwide link, pairing up skilled, enthusiastic volunteers with Corps employees who need your services. Callers should be ready to provide information about your interests, talents, dates available, and locations you may want to volunteer.

You can also find opportunities at www.volunteer.gov, where you can apply directly online for a position. To find out more about a particular location, visit www.corpslakes.us



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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CORPS OF ENGINEERS

Difference



Why Volunteer?

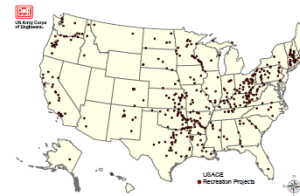
People volunteer for many reasons. Some like the flexibility volunteering allows, while others want to make a difference, or want to gain new skills/experience.

Volunteering with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is a great opportunity to:

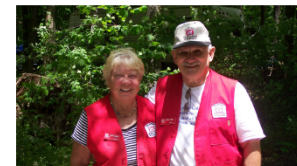
- Meet people and form new friendships
- Explore and live in new places
- Work in beautiful outdoor settings
- Provide community service
- Increase your career options
- Earn college credits with internships
- Enjoy free camping while serving
- Have fun!

Where can you serve?

Corps lakes and river projects are located throughout the United States. Visit www.corpslakes.us to find a lake near you.



Volunteers play a valuable role in helping the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers care for the environment and provide high quality recreation opportunities. Each year, people like you give their time, expertise, and resources to serve millions of visitors who enjoy Corps-managed lands and waters



The Corps of Engineers is the nation's largest federal provider of outdoor recreation, with stewardship responsibilities over 12 million acres at 404 lakes and rivers projects located in 43 states. Our volunteers are people who want to give back to their communities and are interested in the work of the Corps' natural resources management program.

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What Can You Do?

You will become part of a team of more than a half million volunteers who, in the last decade, have served more than 15 million hours worth \$300+ million.

How our volunteers help:

Recreation

- Build and maintain trails
- Serve as campground/visitor center hosts
- Conduct educational programs and tours
- Develop and build displays
- Maintain facilities
- Collect fees

Natural Resource Management

- Remove invasive species
- Plant native vegetation
- Build and install wildlife/fish habitat
- GIS/Mapping
- Remove trash and debris

Administration

- Write or edit materials for publication
- Photography
- Computer/database entry

.... And so much more!



Resources: Corps Lakes Photo Album

<http://corpslakes.usace.army.mil/visitors/album.cfm?Option=Search&Id=0&Activity=Volunteers>



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Corps Lakes Photo Album

Take a virtual trip of our lakes!

[Corps Lakes Gateway](#) > [Corps Photo Album - How to get photos added?](#)

Volunteers



Photo by: Mary Margaret Lewis

USACE Volunteers in Action- 1st Place



Photo by: Eric Haskell

USACE Volunteers in Action- 2nd place



Photo by: Robert Carr

USACE Volunteers in Action- Honorable Mention



Photo by: Mindy Cory

Volunteers in Action - 2nd place



Bardwell Lake



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We Need Your Photos!!

Resources: Volunteer Clearinghouse

<http://www.corpslakes.us/volunteer/>

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The screenshot shows the US Army Corps of Engineers website. At the top, there is a banner with the Corps of Engineers logo and the text "US Army Corps of Engineers". To the right of the logo is a search bar labeled "Search HQ USACE". Below the banner is a navigation menu with links: HOME, ABOUT, BUSINESS WITH US, MISSIONS, LOCATIONS, CAREERS, MEDIA, LIBRARY, and CONTACT. The main content area is titled "Volunteer Resources" and includes a list of links: Volunteer Clearinghouse, Volunteer Opportunities, Volunteers in Action, Contact Us, and Submit a Listing. To the right of this list is a section titled "Volunteer Clearinghouse" which contains the following text:

Welcome to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which is the steward of almost 12 million acres of land and water. We are responsible for the care for recreation facilities and natural resources.

The Volunteer Clearinghouse serves the Corps of Engineers and its partners with Park Rangers at lakes and waterways that need their help. The clearinghouse provides information about the volunteer program and directs people to the point of contact, usually a Park Ranger, at the lake or location of interest.

Callers should be ready to provide information about their interests, talents, dates available and locations they may want to volunteer.

Corps Park Rangers, serving as volunteer coordinators, can also use the Volunteer Clearinghouse to help find volunteers. Volunteer coordinators that need volunteers can send their volunteer vacancies to the Clearinghouse to be listed on the website.

Volunteer opportunities include:

- Campground Host

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America's Natural and Cultural Resources Volunteer Portal

WELCOME FEATURED EVENTS CONTACT SEARCH

Featured Opportunities

Participating Agencies

Position
Black Canyon Campground--
URGENT NEED
Santa Fe National Forest

Address
Escondido Range District, Black Canyon
Campground, Santa Fe, NM 87501

Contact
Jennifer Sublett jsublett@fs.fed.us
505-759-7331

Dates
3/26/2012--11/1/2012

Activities
Campground Host

Record Date
6/4/2012

Suitable For
Adults

Difficulty Level
Average

Opportunity Description:

Spend your time in beautiful Santa Fe National Forest up in the mountains! The Santa Fe National Forest covers 1.6 million acres in the heart of north central New Mexico. Within the forest's borders are lush meadows, miles of conifer trees, and a dormant volcano with a 15-mile wide crater (Valles Caldera National Preserve). Visitors can enjoy camping, fishing, hiking and many other outdoor recreation activities. Residents can maintain their traditional and cultural uses of the national forest and forest products. The highest point in the SFNF is the summit of Truchas Peak located in the Pecos Wilderness 13,103 feet. At the lowest altitude, the SFNF is 6,000 feet.

This campground is one of the most popular in the area AND is highly sought after for campground hosting.

The campground was completely renovated in 2006, and re-opened in 2007 with all new facilities. There are 36 sites, half are reservable through Recreation.gov, and half are first come first serve. All sites have a table, grill pit, and tent pad. Most sites will accommodate an RV in sizes ranging from 22' to 30'. There is a new water system, there are vault five toilets, and bear resistant trash bins. Campsites do not have sewer or electric hookups. There is a NM State Park (Hyde Memorial State Park) immediately adjacent to the campground, and there are many other recreational opportunities nearby.

Participating Agencies

Position
Camp Hosting
Greenbrier State Park

Address
21843 National Pike
Boonsboro, MD 21713

Contact
Mary Jo Bariles
mbariles@dnr.state.md.us
301-791-4656

Dates
4/1/2012--10/31/2012

Activities
Campground Host

Record Date
3/2/2012

Suitable For
Adults

Difficulty Level
Not Difficult

Opportunity Description:

The Camp Host Program at Greenbrier State Park is very important to us. It is an extension of our work team and our best contact with campers. There are many benefits to hosting here. By working 20 hours a week, you camp for free in a beautiful setting and become part of our family. Water, sewer and electric are all included. We also provide you with a golf cart and private laundry facilities.

As a camp host, you would introduce yourselves to the campers, clean the sites, touch up the bathrooms, organize weekend activities for the campers, and assist the staff when needed.

We recognize how important camp hosts are to our operation. You make people feel welcome. A host can turn a negative experience into a positive one.

Find a volunteer opportunity

keyword _____ agency ☒  **find**

city _____ state ☒ zip _____
or view our map

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Volunteer Statistics 1 Event

NATION WIDE VOLUNTEER STATS

Volunteer Rate

CALIFORNIA Volunteer Categories

- General Labor 20%
- Education 10%
- Creative 30%
- Other 40%

Find a volunteer opportunity

keyword _____ agency ☒  **find**

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**We Need Your
Photos/Events Here
Too!!**

Resources: TASS Applicant and TA User Guides

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**Trusted Associate Sponsorship System
(TASS)**

**Trusted Agent User Guide
(TASS TASM/TA User Guide)**

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Applicant User Guide

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Recap Questions

True of False:

Volunteers are allowed to operate gatehouses and collect recreation fees.

True



Recap Questions

True or False:

The Corps can purchase volunteer awards and gifts for their outstanding and valued service.

False



Recap Questions

What are volunteers NOT allowed to do?

Enforce Title 36



Recap Questions

Volunteers CANNOT be:

- a. non-U.S. citizens.
- b. non-violent prison labor.
- c. persons arrested and awaiting trial for a violent crime.
- d. paid for vehicle mileage.



Questions?

