

Paris Mountain State Park
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Volunteer in Parks (VIP) Program
Volunteer Application

Thank you for your interest in becoming a VIP at Paris Mountain State Park. The VIP program plays an important role in assisting park staff to ensure that every visitor has a safe and pleasant experience.

Paris Mountain State Park is a traditionally categorized park within the State Park Service. Paris Mountain has remained a protected watershed for over 100 years, and contains 1,540 acres of pristine forested land. Paris Mountain contains many visitor use facilities, including a 39-site campground, a group camp facility, seven picnic shelters; a CCC constructed Park Center with seasonal swimming area, several picnic grounds, and miles of trails for hiking and mountain biking.

Paris Mountain State Parks campground consists of 39 paved sites, suitable for everything from tents to motor homes. Each site has an electrical and water hookup, two restroom facilities are located in the campground, and there is a central dump station. Thirteen sites have constructed tent pads, and several sites can accommodate up to a 40+ foot motor home.

The VIP program strives to be an enjoyable experience for you the volunteer as well as for the park. We try to match up your interests and skills with the needs of the park. The primary volunteer position is that of a Campground Host. List below are some requirements. There are also other VIP opportunities such as helping with trails, education programs, and general maintenance.

1. The campground host is required to act as a contact liaison with all incoming campers.
2. Hours that a campground host may work are not rigidly scheduled. However, due to the volume of incoming guests, the campground host is required to be on site during Friday and Saturday evenings, from afternoon until closing, to ensure that all incoming campers are registered.
3. You will be expected to stay in your camping unit each evening for the duration of your stay as campground host, unless prior arrangements are made with the park manager. The normal length of duration as campground host is one month; however this may be amended due to performance and special circumstances. Additional time as campground host may be available at park manager's discretion.
4. All money and receipts collected will be turned in to the park staff daily, and must be certified correct by park ranger staff to ensure accuracy.
5. Each adult volunteer is expected to put in 20 hrs/week of volunteer service.
6. General cleanliness of campground sites, such as picking up small debris, will also be the responsibility of the campground host. Trash pickup will be the responsibility of park staff.
7. The campground host will be asked to monitor other campers to ensure that all park rules and regulations are being followed. Directing campers to posted rules and regulations will solve most situations. Problems and concerns shall be directed to park staff to deal with accordingly. **You will not be asked to police any rule violations.**

8. Notification of park staff to any breakage or repair needs for campground facilities shall be made by campground host.

We here at Paris Mountain want to make your time as a VIP productive, enjoyable and rewarding. If you have skills or experiences that you can contribute that will make PMSP a better place please let us know on this application. For example, if you were a carpenter by trade we'd rather utilize those skills elsewhere in the park than take up your time supervising the campground.

As a VIP, you will be given free lodging at one of the campsites numbered 1-7. You will not receive any payment or compensation for being a VIP. A background check will be necessary before acceptance into the program can be authorized.

Name: _____

First Middle Initial Last

Date of Birth: _____ Driver's License#: _____

Day Phone #:(_____) _____ Night Phone #: (_____) _____

E-mail address: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Months/Dates you would be interested in being campground host:

Skills or experience that you have that could be used at the park:

Type of camping unit you would be residing in: _____

Length _____

Names of persons staying with host:

Special requirements needed, if any: _____

Emergency Contact (Name and #): _____

We thank you for your interest in the campground host program. We will contact you as soon as possible once your application is received.