



Volunteer Division

June 2025

The Volunteer Coordinator attended the largest conference on volunteerism, Points of Light, from June 3rd – 6th.

We have started a new volunteer recruitment campaign called “Be a Parks Hero.”

Jr. Park Ranger Day Camp dates:

June 9th-13th

June 23rd – 27th

July 7th – 11th

Volunteer Opportunities

1) Volunteer Park Ranger (VPR)

VPR’s are ambassadors, stewards and protectors of our park system. They officially represent the city, beautify our parks and are extended eyes and ears for the LRPD and Parks. Uniforms and training are free and VPR’s are expected to volunteer for 16 hrs./month.

2) Adopt-A-Park, Trail or Flowerbed

We have over 50 open spaced parks, over 20 miles of soft surface trails and ~30 flowerbeds. Adopters spend at least 2 hrs./month in their adopted area. Tools can be checked out and trash bags, flowers, mulch and soil are free. Adopters receive a sign with their name/org. on it and one free pavilion rental per calendar year.

3) Park or Trail Clean-up

An org/individual/family can schedule a clean-up by contacting Karen at ksykes@littlerock.gov. We ask that all vols schedule with us to ensure that park is not already under a contract.

4) Jim Daily Aquatic and Fitness Center

We need volunteer fitness instructors to expand our programming.

5) Rebsamen and First Tee Golf Courses

Vols marshal, clean golf carts, pick up balls, etc.

6) Community Centers

Vols are needed to coach various sports programs and help with special events.

7) Eagle Scout Projects

We have various projects that Eagle Scouts can work towards.

8) Marathon

Vols are needed to help with their races throughout the year.

9) #LRParksPushyPlants

Parks has committed to removing 10%/year of our invasive species. We need help mapping them using iNaturalist and removing them/cutting them back.

Sign up at www.littlerock.gov/volunteer.

Any volunteer opportunity working with a vulnerable population (children, senior citizens, etc.) must pass a background check. Parks pays for it.

Questions?

To volunteer at a brick and mortar, contact that facility directly.

To volunteer for the adoption programs, #LRParksPushyPlants, Eagle Scouts, clean-ups or

VPR, contact ksykes@littlerock.gov.

For Marathon, contact glamm@littlerock.gov.