



Dallas Park & Recreation

Volunteer Services Program

Dallas Park and Recreation Board

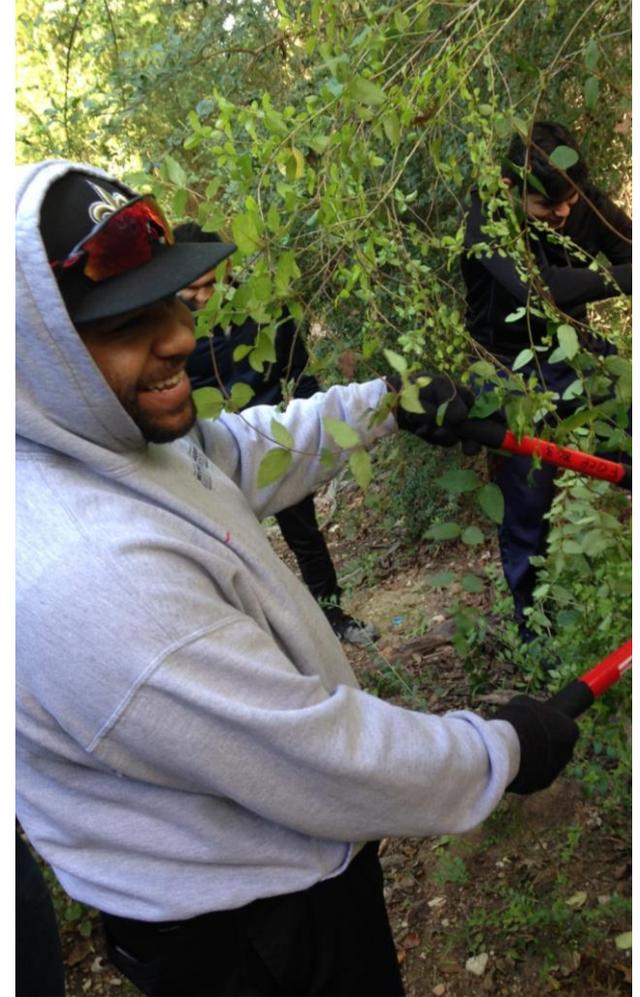
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Purpose

- To update the Dallas Park and Recreation Board on the department's Volunteer Services program

Volunteers

- A volunteer is anyone who, without compensation, performs a task
- A “volunteer” with the Dallas Park and Recreation Department must be officially approved and registered by Volunteer Services prior to performance of the task
- In Fiscal Year 15-16, volunteers provided 276,841 hours of service to the Dallas Park and Recreation Department valued at \$6,478,536



Who Volunteers?

- Adults
- Youth/Youth Groups from Schools and Churches
 - Students ages 14 and older
 - Students ages 13 and younger (parent/guardian)
- Groups
 - Community groups
 - Neighborhood Associations
 - Employees representing a business or corporation
 - Religious groups
 - Fraternities/Sororities
 - Families



Reasons People Volunteer

- Professionals wanting to share their skills
- Retirees seeking fulfillment after retirement
- Individuals who have time to give
- Court mandated individuals requiring community service
- Truancy Court mandated youth
- Students needing extra credit for school



What We Do

- Assess the departments volunteer needs
- Support each division's programs and special events through the recruitment of volunteers
- Conduct background and reference checks for volunteer applicants
- Conduct training for onsite "Volunteer Coordinators"
- Manage and maintain the volunteer database
- Collect hours from all placement site locations and issue a monthly tracking report to the divisions
- Provide Certificates of Appreciation for volunteers
- Coordinate annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon
- Coordinate activities for National Volunteer Recognition Month

Volunteer Process

- Must fill out a volunteer application
- Must go through an interview
- Must undergo a background check and screening
 - VeriFYI
 - National Sex Offender (NSOPW)
 - Security Social Verification
 - Social Media Screening
- If cleared, issued an assigned volunteer number

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION 

Office of Volunteer Services only

Date completed: _____ VeriFYI: _____ NSOPW: _____ SS Valid: _____ Other: _____
Number: _____ Denied: _____ Approved: _____ OVS initials: _____

Worksite _____ Coordinator _____ Date _____
Ethnicity: Black Hispanic White Other _____ Gender: Male Female

I. Applicant Information

Last name _____ First name _____ Middle name _____
Date of birth ____/____/____ Social Security number ____/____/____
Address _____ City _____ Zip code _____
Cell phone _____ Other phone _____ Email _____

II. Volunteer Hours Needed

Volunteer hours needed _____ Why do you need the volunteer hours? (check one):
Graduation Religious event Truancy Court mandated If court mandated, answer below:
A. Name of P/O or judge _____ B. Phone _____ C. Charge: _____

III. Volunteer Interests

Crafts Custodian Exercise Office work Park cleanup
Senior citizens Special events Sports Tutoring Work with kids Other

Please list your talents: _____

IV. Employment or School Information

Employer/school _____ Occupation/grade _____

V. Person to Call in Case of Emergency

Name _____ Telephone _____ Relationship _____
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Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon



THE CITY OF DALLAS PARK & RECREATION

Honors Our Volunteers

Individuals, families, civic organizations, youth groups and corporate/business employees are our partners in providing diverse and recreation and leisure activities. Annually, they contribute almost 300,000 hours. These 18 individuals each gave more than 500 hours and received the President's Volunteer Service Award.



**THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON**

Congratulations on receiving the President's Volunteer Service Award, and thank you for helping to address the most pressing needs in your community and our country.

In my Inaugural Address, I stated that we need a new era of responsibility - a recognition on the part of every American that we have duties to ourselves, our Nation, and the world. These are duties that we do not grudgingly accept, but rather seize gladly, firm in the knowledge that there is nothing so satisfying to the spirit than giving our all to a difficult task. Your volunteer service demonstrates the kind of commitment to your community that moves America a step closer to its great promise.

Our Nation faces the most challenging economic crisis in a lifetime. We will only renew America if we all work together. Individuals, the private sector, and government must combine efforts to make real and lasting change so that each person has the opportunity to fulfill his or her potential.

While government can open more opportunities for us to serve our communities, it is up to each of us to seize those opportunities. Thank you for your devotion to service and for doing all you can to shape a better tomorrow for our great Nation.



To volunteer please visit, www.dallasparks.org

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You Are Invited to the Annual
**Volunteer Appreciation
Luncheon**

11:00am – 1:00pm

April 29, 2017

Food & Fiber Building at Fair Park

Community Volunteer Workshops

- **Present bi-monthly workshops**
 - **Total of 6 per year**
 - **Conducted throughout the City as defined by Maintenance Services**
- **Focus**
 - **Share information on how to become a volunteer as an individual or group with the Park and Recreation department**
- **Facilitators**
 - **Volunteer Coordinator**
 - **Maintenance Services CPC's**
 - **Recreation Services CPC's**

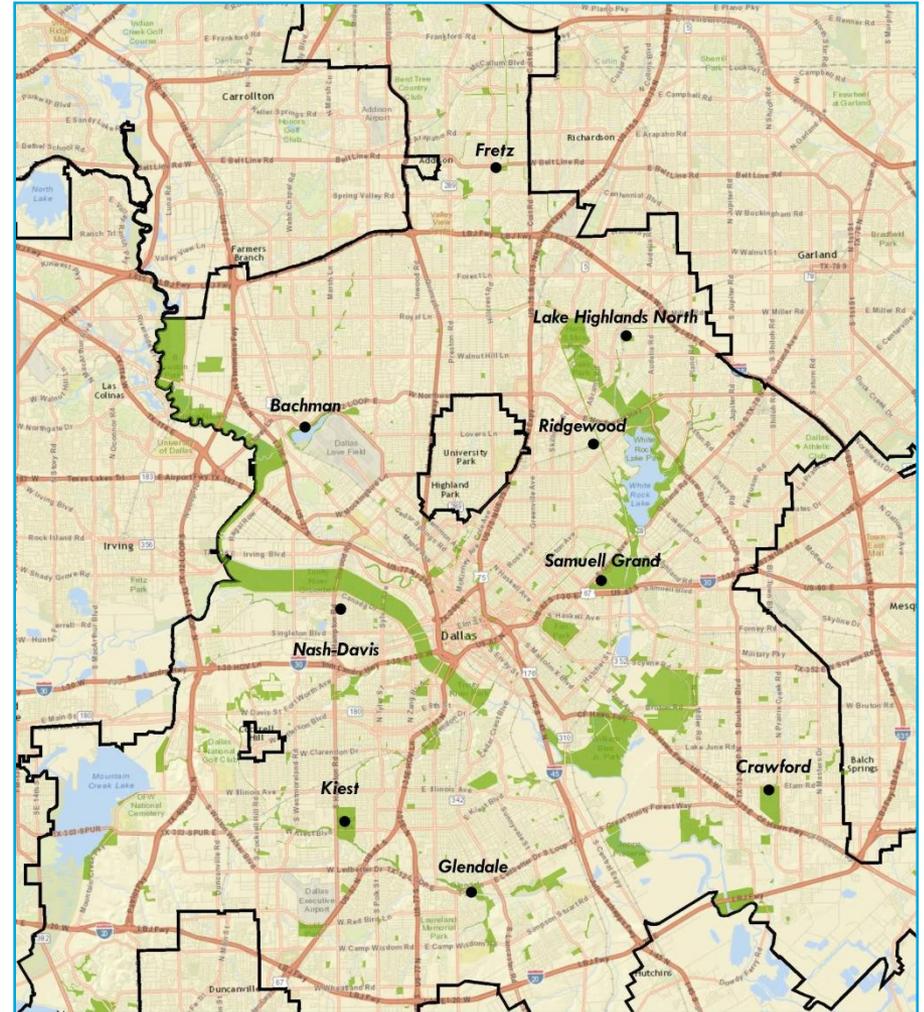
Community Volunteer Workshops

- **Target audience**
 - **Nearby home owner associations**
 - **High schools**
 - **Faith organizations**
 - **General community**
- **Marketed within a defined radius of the workshop site through special mailing, social media and direct outreach**
- **Desired outcome**
 - **Share volunteer opportunities and recruit new individuals and volunteer groups**

Community Volunteer Workshops

9:30 am – 10:30 am
DATES and SITES

- April 8, 2017 – Samuel Grand
- June 10, 2017 – Fretz
- August 12, 2017 – Bachman
- October 14, 2017 – Nash-Davis
- December 9, 2017 - Glendale
- February 10, 2018 – Lake Highlands North
- April 14, 2018 – Crawford
- June 9, 2018 - Kiest





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