

Pilot Park Champion Volunteer Program

To increase the public's knowledge and enjoyment of our park system

Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) is launching a Pilot Park Champion Volunteer Program. This program invites community members to assist SPR in increasing the public's knowledge and enjoyment of our park system. Warren G. Magnuson Park has been selected as the site to launch this pilot program.

Program goals include:

- Providing friendly and knowledgeable information to the public about SPR parks, facilities, and programs.
- Providing an active, welcoming and safe presence in parks, which can be a deterrent to crime, vandalism, and other un-wanted behaviors that may occur in park settings.
- Providing a team that can educate the community and enhance the department's ability to provide customer service to our park patrons.
- Aiding park staff in the areas of maintenance and programming.
- Providing an avenue for individuals and groups of volunteers who wish to "give back" to the community.

The pilot will begin in May 2018. Potential volunteers will be required to attend a training as well as a schedule orientation in April. To participate in the program, volunteers:

- Must be able to commit to a minimum of four shifts per month.
- Need to be able to follow directions and communicate well with Parks staff.
- Should be courteous and welcoming to all park patrons.
- Should be willing to perform manual labor (sweeping/cleaning up, taking garbage to dumpster, etc).
- Need to be available to volunteer outside early mornings, afternoons, evenings and weekends.
- Must pass a criminal background check.
- Must be at least 18 years old.

If you are interested in volunteering with this program, please contact Junior Kitiona at Junior.Kitiona@seattle.gov or 206-615-0780 for more information and to sign-up.