

## Volunteer Interest Form and Application

*Thank you for your interest in the Santa Cruz County Parks Volunteer Program. This opportunity will allow you to make a difference in your community, assist Parks staff in accomplishing a variety of projects, and meet new people.*

*Possible activities and projects could include but are not limited to the following:*

- ✓ *Present and/or assist with weekend interpretive programs for the public and/or weekday community programs.*
- ✓ *Research the natural or cultural history of the park and assist in developing resource projects in line with information gained.*
- ✓ *Assist with trail maintenance like trimming back plants, removing invasive plant species, or reducing trail erosion.*
- ✓ *“Rove” trails to monitor their status as well as provide visitors with trail information and rules.*
- ✓ *Assist with basic maintenance like repairing or painting fences, cleaning.*
- ✓ *Park Watch: In general, keep an eye on the park and report findings.*
- ✓ *One day projects such as painting, cleaning, gardening, graffiti abatement*

*Please fill out the volunteer application and return to Margaret Ingraham, Volunteer Coordinator at [Margaret.ingraham@santacruzcounty.us](mailto:Margaret.ingraham@santacruzcounty.us); or mail to 979 17th Ave., Santa Cruz, CA 95062.*

*If you have any questions, feel free to call 454-7927. We look forward to hearing from you!*

*Sincerely,  
Margaret Ingraham*

# Volunteer Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: (mo/day): \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the following areas in which you would be willing to volunteer:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> One day group park projects   | <input type="checkbox"/> Leading children's programs                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic programs             | <input type="checkbox"/> Teach or demonstrate a craft, art, or skill        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assist with trail maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Research natural/cultural history topics           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Graphic arts/ illustration/ photographic skills    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leading nature walks          | <input type="checkbox"/> Roving park trails                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive plant removal        | <input type="checkbox"/> Assist with office projects and tasks              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Park Watch                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Keeping parks clean – assisting with trash pick up |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other : _____                 |   |

Is there a specific Park you are interested in volunteering at?

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Please briefly describe your background, interest, skills, and experience that you are willing to share in the Parks Volunteer Program. (For example, natural history background, experience working with children, painting, gardening, hobbies, research skills, etc.)

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Brief explanation why you are interested in becoming a SC County Parks Volunteer.

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Do you have any physical restrictions or special needs of which we should be aware?

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Is there any other information that you would like to share.

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