National Trails Intermountain Region (NTIR)



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Volunteers-in-Parks Program

Program Summary

Volunteers-In-Parks (VIPs) work side-by-side with National Park Service (NPS) employees and partners from Maine to Hawaii, from Alaska to Florida, in big cities and small towns, even in remote wilderness areas.

There's no question, the Volunteers-In-Parks program reflects the dedication of people like you. Volunteers bring different backgrounds, skills, and talents to improve visitor experience and resource protection efforts.

Trails administered by National Trails Intermountain Region (NTIR) include over 3,000 volunteers across 24 states.

Volunteer hours reported to the National Park Service's VIP program provides funding for trail activities and projects.

Please submit hours to the NPS and PNTS both annually.

Questions? Contact:

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How to Track Hours

Volunteer hours showcase community-level efforts to protect, develop, and promote national historic trails.

To make reporting as easy as possible for you, NTIR is using the same reporting form developed for reporting to the Partnership for the National Trails System (PNTS).

Record the date, hours, activity description, expense, and mileage. NTIR's volunteer hours reported to the regional and national levels of the National Park Service's Volunteers-in-Parks Program will be extracted from the form.

Please have individual, local, or chapter forms compiled into one document that is sent to NTIR.

Examples of Benefits

Project funding

NTIR receives volunteer funds based on the number of hours reported per trail.

Recruit more people NTIR can take advantage of volunteer.gov. Contact NTIR for more information.

Gain recognition
Special award or appreciation
programs can promote awareness and
inspire communities to stay involved.

Be a part of something bigger! Your association is part of a network of dedicated volunteers that share similar interests and values with you - protecting, developing, and promoting national parks (and trails)!

Funded 2017

A one-year Student Conservation Association intern to help YOU make the most of the 50th anniversary of the National Trails System! She will help with event planning, publicity, social media, training, and more.





Also funded:

- GPS licenses
- Website management training
- Pop up tent for events
- Fundraising training
- GPS unit
- Organizational accessories
- Publication lamination



















