



Volunteer

Support Lincoln Home National Historic Site! As a volunteer you can provide programs for visitors, assist rangers with the protection of park resources, and interact with the public. There are a wide variety of rewarding opportunities awaiting you. Below are current volunteer positions at Lincoln Home. If you are interested in assisting the park, please contact 217-391-3212, or www.nps.gov/liho.

Visitor Center Assistant

Volunteers will staff the information desk at the Lincoln Home visitor center. Volunteers answer questions, assist visitors with inquiries about other historic sites, as well as assist with the park's Junior Ranger program. A minimum of four hours per week is required from March through November.

Education/Bus Greeter

Greet visitors who arrive on motor coaches and school buses, lead groups to the Lincoln Home and Neighborhood, and present a brief Lincoln Home introduction, including site expectations.

Trails and Rails

Present talks about Central Illinois while on board an Amtrak train from Springfield, IL to Chicago, IL and back. Provide directions, answer questions, and show props representative of Illinois.

Living History

Dress in 1850-1860 period clothing. Volunteers portray characters in first and third person living history. All necessary clothing and required training will be provided.

Fee Collector/Visitor Center Operation

Assist in collecting fees and selling National Park passes. The volunteer will operate a cash register, fill out daily shift reports, and count money at the end of each day. Also, will issue tour tickets, give directions and provide information about local attractions. . A minimum of four hours per week is required from March through November.

Junior Ranger Station

Set-up and tear down the Junior Ranger station activity table. Help children complete hands-on activities.

Lincoln Home Tour Docent

Lead thematic Lincoln Home tours for the public and organized groups. Must have public speaking experience and the ability to work with a diversity of groups. A minimum of four hours per week is required from March through November.

Gardener

Educate visitors and assist by helping plant and maintain a wide variety of plants including flowers, herbs, heirloom vegetables and more. Duties include gardening activities such as planting, mulching, watering, weeding, and harvesting. Volunteers have the option of wearing 1850-1860 era clothing.

For more information about the positions that are accessible, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator at 217-391-3212.