



# Visitor Services VIP

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## Overview

President's Park, which includes the park lands surrounding the White House, is composed of approximately 60 acres and is home for many significant statues, memorials and structures. The four main sections of the park outside the White House grounds are: the vast open parade ground known as the Ellipse; the First Division Monument, honoring the heroism of the soldiers of the First Division of the American Expeditionary Forces; Sherman Park, where the famous general once reviewed his troops returning from the Civil War; and Lafayette Park – home to statues honoring five heroes of American history, and for over a hundred years, the location for First Amendment activities.

## Opportunity Description

Volunteers will serve as a member of the Interpretive team with a primary focus on visitor center/public information.

Duties include:

- staffing the White House Visitor Center and the Ellipse Visitor Pavilion to disseminate information about the park to visitors;
- assisting with tour operations;
- roving public areas to provide information to visitors;
- (optionally) developing and presenting interpretive talks on natural and cultural history to large groups;
- other duties, as arranged.

## Required Skills

- Desire to make a significant contribution to visitor services at President's Park
- Interest in American history
- Detail-oriented
- Ability to work well within a team, as well as carry out independent assignments
- Desire to work both outdoors and indoors
- Good verbal communication skills.
- You will be required to wear an official National Park Service Volunteer uniform that will be provided to you.

## Benefits

Volunteers receive training in NPS mission and policies, and in President's Park and White House history. They have the opportunity to meet visitors from all over the world, receive a unique perspective on special events relating to the White House, and enjoy the natural and cultural resources of President's Park, the centerpiece of our American story.

## Minimum Age

Participants must be over 18 years of age. (16 with parental permission)

## Length of Service

Minimum commitment of 4 months.

## Work Schedule

4 hours per week.

## Lodging

President's Park does not offer housing.

## Application Material

Please submit the following to Barbara Brundage, Volunteer Coordinator at [Barbara\\_Brundage@nps.gov](mailto:Barbara_Brundage@nps.gov):

- Cover letter referencing the title of the position for which you are applying and dates of availability
- Volunteer application and resume (optional) Forms are available on-line on the park's webpage.