Snyderville Basin Special Recreation District

Park Ambassador Program

The Park Ambassador Program is an all-volunteer program that gives the public an opportunity to promote community stewardship and provide communication between the Park City community and Basin Recreation. We believe that the character of a community can be judged by the way it cares for its parks. Hence, the Park Ambassador Program has been established. The Park Ambassador Program fosters a message that the community cares about its area parks. The volunteer Park Ambassadors will patrol the parks, report maintenance needs, assist with tournaments, interact with park users, promote park safety, and encourage an overall positive use of public space. The Park Ambassador position is a one year commitment and requires volunteers to attend a volunteer orientation prior to participation in the program.

Ambassadors provide a valuable service to both the District and to park visitors by observing park activity, reporting general maintenance needs, providing an added presence in the parks, and greeting and sharing information with park visitors.

After training, volunteers are expected to:

- Volunteer for at least one 4 hour shift per week to visit a park
- Patrol designated park to assess its overall condition
- Interact with park patrons
- Report unusual or suspicious activity taking place in the park
- Complete a one page Observation Report on park conditions and park activity once per month to be submitted to the program supervisor

Basin Recreation will:

- Orient individuals and/or groups to the Park Ambassador program
- Keep Ambassadors informed of park projects or activities taking place in the parks
- Recognize Ambassadors on Web page and provide Ambassador names to Summit County Sheriff Department

If interested, please contact Angie Greenburg at agreenburg@basinrecreation.org, or 435-649-1564 ex 47.

Basin Recreation parks and playing fields:

Matt Knoop Memorial Park – 4056 Shadow Mountain Drive
Trailside Park – 5705 Trailside Drive
Willow Creek Park – 4460 Split Rail Lane
Woods at Parley's Lane – 4275 Sunrise Drive
Ecker Hill Middle School playing fields – 2465 Kilby Road
Jeremy Ranch playing fields – 5060 Rasmussen Road

Volunteer Job Description

Position: Park Ambassador
Department: Parks Department
Job Category: Volunteer
Program Supervisor: Angie Greenburg

Park Ambassadors serve as assistants to the Parks Department with responsibilities for observing park activities, reporting safety and maintenance related deficiencies, assisting with special events, and providing customer service to park patrons.

Duties:
- o Volunteer for at least one 4 hour shift per week to visit a park
- o Patrol designated park to assess its overall condition
- o Interact with park patrons, informing them of rules and ordinances within the park in order keep the park safe and inviting for all users
- o Complete a one-page Observation Report on park conditions and park activity once per month, to be submitted to the program supervisor

Training:
- o Ambassadors are required to attend a volunteer orientation
- o Ambassadors may be asked to attend follow up trainings related to safety standards and/or community issues

Requirements
- o Ability to communicate with coworkers, other volunteers, and members of the general public in a courteous, tactful, and professional manner
- o Ability to take direction from the program supervisor
- o Ability to track and report volunteer hours to the program supervisor by the last day of each month
- o Willingness to commit to volunteer experience which includes at least one day per week
- o Commitment to the program for at least one year
- o Good oral and written communication skills
- o Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age or at least 12 years of age accompanied by an adult at all times
- o Ability to lift 25 pounds
- o Ability to hike or walk for long periods of time
- o Ability to work outside in all types of weather
- o Attend a Park Ambassador orientation
- o Subject to and must pass a criminal background check