

STEWARDS INDIVIDUAL PLACEMENTS



Stewards Individual
Placements provides
individuals with service and
career opportunities to
strengthen communities and
preserve our natural resources.
Stewards, in partnership with
the National Park Service, are
seeking an intern to serve as
Community Volunteer
Ambassador.

POSITION DETAILS

- Length: position is 50 weeks, 40 hours/week
- Start Date: Monday, June 7th 2021
- Living Allowance: Baseline allowance of \$500/week*
- AmeriCorps Award: \$6,095 (pretax)
- Application Due Date: May 14th, 2021
- Members will receive Public Land Corps Hiring Authority upon completion

ABOUT THE SITE

Jean Lafitte's six sites are scattered across south Louisiana. Each is unique in its focus, and they all reflect a place where traditions can be generations old but the ground under your feet can change with the weather. The park's sites share the story of a place where change is the only constant, from the waterways that shape the land in new patterns every day to the never-ending balancing act between old ways and new ideas.

POSITION SUMMARY

The CVA will support the Volunteers-In-Parks and Citizen Science programs at Jean Lafitte National Park and Preserve by expanding volunteerism, service-learning, and community engagement efforts with a strong emphasis on reaching underserved communities. The position will also work to strengthen community relationships between the park's six sites and their surrounding populations. This complex but rewarding opportunity is ideal for an enthusiastic young professional who is deeply committed to help strengthen the bonds between communities and parks.

POSITION RESPONSIBILITES

- Enhance the operation of volunteer programs by developing and supporting related projects, activities, and goals
- Assist with networking and establishing enduring relationships with local and regional organizations which will serve as ongoing sources for volunteers.
- Assist with diversifying volunteers and engage underserved members of the park's community
- Assist with recruiting, training, and record keeping of volunteers to increase the quality and capacity of volunteerism opportunities at the park and the overall quality of the park's VIP program.
- Build lasting relationships with community stakeholders, leaders, and others who have previously been unheard.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Hard worker with a real passion for helping others and engaging people in conservational goals.
- Outgoing with a strong ability to self-advocate and promote oneself and the organization.
- Good organizational skills and time management practices.
- · Ability to communicate with people of all ages and cultures in an open, friendly manner
- Ability to work with many different types of people and personalities as well as differently abled populations
- Self-starter and independent.
- High School diploma or GED required
- Be a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident
- Be 18-30 years old (35 years old if you are a veteran)
- Be willing and able to commit to a year of full-time work
- · Be willing to occasionally work weekends and odd hours
- Submit proof of a Driver's License and undergo a Federal Background Check, upon selection

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Local applicant with community ties
- · Strong public speaking skills and effective communication skills
- Experience engaging with the general public in a front-line role (customer service, etc).
- · Proficiency in Microsoft Office
- Experience in social media platforms like Facebook and Instagram.

HOUSING

The CVA will be responsible for providing their own housing; however the park will provide advice and guidance if the CVA is not a local candidate. If site is unable to provide housing at no cost, up to \$80/week may be allocated to support rent.*If site is unable to provide housing at no cost, up to \$80/week may be allocated to support rent.

HOW TO APPLY

Apply online <u>HERE</u>. In addition to your resume, please submit a one page cover letter highlighting why you are interested in this position and how your background and experience will help you succeed in this position.

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