



GIVE (Group Impact Volunteer Event)

Thank you for interest in volunteering with Saint Paul Parks and Recreation's Natural Resources division. Please read the information below prior to submitting this form.

Sample environmental conservation volunteer activities include: Habitat restoration, planting native species, removal of invasive species, buckthorn busts, mulching, trash removal, and special projects in natural areas.

Youth

Youth can participate in events. Groups are required to provide the following ratios:

Required number of adults	Number of youth	Ratio
1	10	1:10

Overview

All volunteers need to sign a liability waiver before volunteering. A parent/guardian needs to sign a liability waiver for youth under 18 years of age. Volunteers will not use power tools, motor vehicles or hazardous materials of any kind.

Attire and materials: Volunteers are required to wear sturdy closed-toed shoes and long pants. It is highly recommended to bring your own bug spray, sunscreen, and water bottle. All event-related tools and materials will be provided.

Weather and attendance: GIVEs are held rain or shine, with the exception of severe weather. While trash removal can be reschedule, most of the group event projects are of the nature that they need to be completed as planned, as materials have already been delivered and the work site prepared for the project. For the same reason, it is crucial that your group arrives on time and with the approximate number of volunteers who were committed while planning the event. Our staff plans and prepares materials and work sites for each specific project, and if your group is much smaller or larger than anticipated, it is difficult to provide a rewarding experience for your group and also meet our project objectives.

Guidelines

Submit the GIVE application at least three weeks prior to the requested event date. We use this time to coordinate the project with staff, ensure that your project will not conflict with other scheduled work or events in the area, and help ensure that you and your group have a great experience!

Questions?

Contact Ryanna Jackson, Volunteer Coordinator, at Ryanna.Jackson@ci.stpaul.mn.us or 651-632-2411.