



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Host Camper

Boston Harbor Islands National Park Area
Summer

SEEKING:

Volunteers to assist park rangers in a variety of support services to benefit visitors and campers on island.

ABOUT THE PARK:

The Boston Harbor Islands national park area (BOHA) includes 34 islands and peninsulas situated within the large "C" shape of the Greater Boston shoreline. The islands are rich in natural and cultural resources, and are managed by a unique, 13-member Partnership. The Boston Harbor Islands Partnership represents a range of federal, state, city, and nonprofit agencies. Visit bostonharborislands.org for more information.

ABOUT CAMPING: Rustic Camping is available on 4 islands (Bumpkin, Grape, Lovells, and Peddocks.) Rustic camping means no flush toilets, showers, fresh water, electricity, telephones, or supplies. So you'll need tents, camping equipment and have to carry it all in, and carry it out. Access is by private boat or ferry. Pets are not permitted. Massachusetts Department of Conservation & Recreation manages the camping program; visitors reserve campsites through reserveamerica.com.

DUTIES/WORKING ENVIRONMENT:

Work will consist of assisting rangers at camping islands on specific days and shifts. Specific duties include Greeting, welcoming and assisting visitors and campers; provide island orientation, serve as liaison between park staff and campers; clean campsites by raking, washing tables; and performing weeding or light trail maintenance. Host campers alert park staff of problems or situations, they are not involved in law enforcement.

A host camper must provide their own camping equipment, and set a good example by maintaining a clean and orderly campsite and follow all park rules. While on duty a Host Camper must wear official uniform.

QUALIFICATIONS/PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Previous experience is not required, but prior customer service training is helpful. CORI check required. Willingness to work as part of a team, with a variety of partners, is essential. Volunteers must be able to commit to a regular schedule. Attendance at one park-held training session is required, additional training will be provided at worksite.

The work is performed in an the outdoor setting. Volunteers should expect regular and recurring exposure to moderate discomforts, e.g., high or low temperatures, or adverse weather conditions.

TIME COMMITMENT:

Schedule is negotiable, but a minimum commitment of 2 weekends per season (late-June – early-September) is required. Attendance at one park-held training session required, date and time to be announced. We welcome help on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

TO APPLY OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Please send a resume or short biography, along with your availability to:

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