

LAKE METROPARKS



volunteers

SUMMER 2025



Do you love to help others learn to fish? We need you for programs throughout the summer. Or help with crafts, face painting, StarLab and more!

Volunteer Highlight

John Glasser has been a dedicated Lake Metroparks volunteer since 1990. He has provided more than 2,300 hours of service in various areas including the Wildlife Center yard, wood cutting at Painesville Township Park, toy building, assisting at open house events at the Environmental Learning Center, helping with art and photo exhibits at Penitentiary Glen Reservation, Trees for Wildlife through the Children's Schoolhouse, and even manning the Lake Metroparks tent at the Lake County Fair. John's volunteering is quite diverse and he's a jack of all trades.



Thank you for sharing your talents and time with us, John!

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Check out VIC or give us a call to sign up!

Summer events are filling up fast but there's still time to get involved!

Get moo'vin' and sign up to help with afternoon **Dairy Days** crafts at Farmpark on June 21 & 22.

Slither over to Penitentiary Glen on June 29 to learn all about **Snakes, Turtles and More** while you help as a naturalist aide.

July 20 is all-hands-on-deck for the **Pirate Triathlon** and **Nature Game Day**. Race course attendants, packet pickup, and food tent help are needed for the Triathlon at Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park. Welcome wagon, game master, obstacle course sidekick and game show sidekick are needed for Nature Game Day at Penitentiary Glen Reservation.

Greeter and popcorn help are needed for the **Historical Engine Society Antique Power Exhibition** at Farmpark on July 27.

Parking and traffic help with the Rangers is requested for **Vintage Ohio** at Farmpark on August 1 & 2.

Volunteer positions are out of this world at **Super Star Party!** Choose from face painting, craft help, StarLab line or inflatable alien costume for the evening of August 9.

Breakfast in the Parks will be held at Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park on August 20 and we need boat assistants to help guests safely get on and off the various boats.

Youth Volunteers

Looking for something fun to do this summer and earn service hours while you're at it? Then sign up to be a camp volunteer! We offer week-long positions at various parks and many include field trips. Volunteering for summer camps is a great way to learn new skills, meet new friends and collect volunteer service hours fast for graduation. Call or email Volunteer Services for the most current camp volunteer positions available for youth ages 13 to 17.





Showbiz Kidz

We are looking for members to join the volunteer senior theater group that performs songs and short skits for senior living centers, church groups, clubs and other organizations. Practices are held 10 am to noon on the second Monday of each month at Lakefront Lodge in Willowick. If you're interested in learning more, contact Jim Meadows at 440-413-5098 or jmeadows@lakemetroparks.com.

Fishing Volunteers

Do you enjoy fishing and helping others? Then we have lots of opportunities for you this summer! Let us know if you're interested in fishing programs (for adapted, youth, families or seniors) or youth fishing camps. We'll send you the complete list of programs if you're ready to tackle this volunteer position!

Friendly Reminder

In the event that you need to cancel on the day of your volunteer assignment or outside of office hours, please call the facility at which you were to report. The numbers are listed in the Emergency Closings section on VIC, on lakemetroparks.com and in the back of *Parks Plus!*. You may call Volunteer Services Monday through Friday 8 am to 4 pm to cancel as well.



Help out at the Pirate Triathlon in Fairport Harbor on July 20

Lake Metroparks Volunteer Services

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Keep Us Informed

To help keep our records updated, please send us any changes to your address, telephone numbers or email. Keep in touch! If you would like to receive information from us via email, please forward your email address to volunteer@lakemetroparks.com.

VOLUNTEER SERVICES MISSION

Volunteer Services supports the Lake Metroparks' mission by providing a substantial resource of volunteers to enrich and expand Lake Metroparks services and programs as well as generate goodwill through citizen participation in Lake Metroparks.

THE MISSION OF LAKE METROPARKS

To conserve and preserve the natural resources of Lake County while providing a variety of safe, affordable and enjoyable educational and recreational programs and activities that enhance the quality of life in Lake County now and for generations to follow.

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