Volunteer Opportunities are available at parks and trails throughout Kent County:

Who Volunteers for Kent County Park?

- Senior Citizens
- College Students
- Master Gardeners
- Teachers
- School Groups
- Skilled Craftspeople
- Master Naturalists
- Environmental Clubs
- Office Groups
- Gardeners
- Mountain Bikers
- Outdoor Enthusiasts
- Community Organizations
- Hikers
- Church Groups
- Sports Clubs
- Local Businesses
- Neighbors
- Scouts
- YOU!
People Taking Action

The reasons why people volunteer for Kent County Parks are as diverse as our volunteers themselves.

Some have a passion for the environment and want to do their part to improve habitats and natural areas.

Some volunteers just enjoy being outdoors and want to spend time with like minded people doing something worthwhile for their community.

Some want to learn new skills or apply the skills they already have in a gratifying way.

And, of course, some people just like to have fun!

With opportunities available at more than 30 parks throughout Kent County, we have projects for individuals of all ages and for groups from 2 to 200! Whatever your interests and whatever motivates you, you too can help our community protect and improve our valuable trails and green spaces.

If you’d like to have fun while making a lasting difference, we invite you to join our team as a volunteer for the Kent County Parks Department. Contact us today to plan your Kent County Parks volunteer experience!

Volunteer Opportunities

- Gardening
- Painting
- Education
- Internships
- History
- Skilled Crafts
- Photography
- Tree Planting
- Park Clean-Up
- Project Leaders
- Habitat Support
- Special Projects
- Species Cataloging
- Invasive Species Control
- Administrative/Office
- Park and Trail Stewards
- Environmental Research
- Trail Building and Maintenance
- Activities for Kids/Youth/Groups
- Lake and Stream Clean-Up

...AND SO MUCH MORE!

Programs and Events

Annual Spring Clean Up Event
Help spruce up park green spaces and trails! Rake, mulch, landscape and trim!

Park and Trail Steward Program
Sign up to support your favorite park on a regular basis. Hours are flexible and a program can be developed to fit your schedule and interests!

Partner with the Parks
Environmental site based learning experiences. Students support county parks through invasive species removal and/or natural habitat preservation.

Friends of the Park
Neighbors and park users are invited to organize “Friends” groups to support a favorite County Park!

Invasive Species Control
Invasive Species threaten natural habitats in the parks. Help remove these invaders by joining a team of volunteers for the spring “Garlic Mustard Challenge” or the October “Woody Invasive Project.”

Kent County Parks Annual Fall Clean
Our parks get a lot of use during the summer! Help tidy up our grounds in September and October.

Special Opportunities, Events and Projects
These are offered annually and include our “Discover!” Millennium Park event, internships, trail building days and more! Submit your contact info to park.volunteers@KentCountyMI.gov to receive notifications of upcoming projects and events.