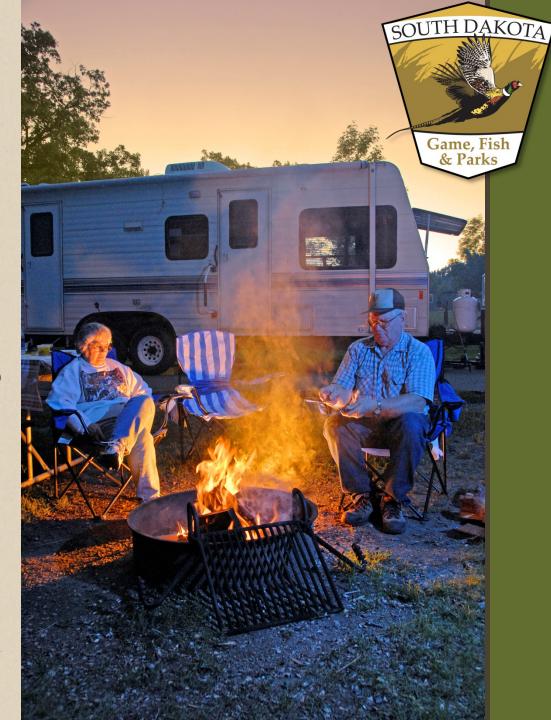


State Park Volunteer Program Volunteer with Us

Information

- 443 total
 - 234 commuters
 - 118 new
 - 325 returning
- The average stay is from May to September.
- On-site volunteers are provided with a campsite during their service in exchange for 24 hours of service per person per week.
- Volunteer campsites: Full hookup; electricity, water and sewer.



Positions

- Campground Host 80 positions (roughly)
- Campground Attendant
- General Volunteer
- Maintenance
- Programs/Events
- Visitor Center





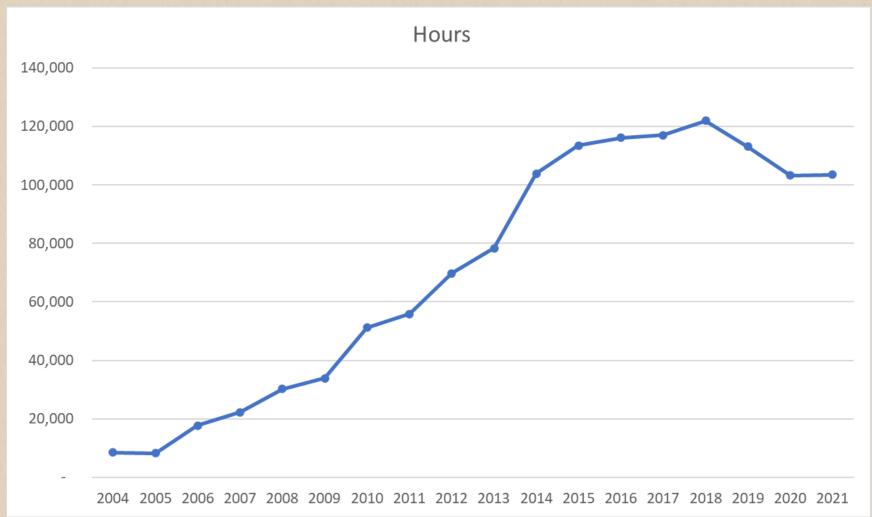
Park Specific

- Good Earth State Park
 - Only have commuter volunteers
 - 66 total
- Custer State Park
 - 116 total
- 8 group volunteers
 - Boy Scouts of America
 - Girl Scouts of America
 - 4-H Shooting Sports
 - A Year to Volunteer



Hours Contributed





Volunteer application and hiring process

effective Jan. 1, 2012 ?s: Contact volunteer coordinator

for individual volunteers

New Volunteer Returning Volunteer Intent to hire Application submitted to park Not interested Interested Reappointment Offer made by park, verbally, or has applicant complete Inform volunteer Interview electronic Reappointment Offer. coordinator conducted Not interested Intent to hire Offer accepted Offer declined Applicant not hired Service dates agreed on. Inform applicant Park completes its part of Work Agreement and volunteer and submits to volunteer coordinator. coordinator Paperwork should be submitted to volunteer coordinator ASAP: Park sends any additional paperwork no later than one month before to volunteer coordinator: volunteer start date. Those submitted directly to the park: Additional paperwork should be Application, Reappointment Offer sent as electronic files (PDF) via · Any additional required by the park: email whenever possible. Job duty list, uniform order, etc. Background check not required Background check required Volunteer coordinator sends background Volunteer coordinator sends hiring packet: check packet to applicant: Hiring letter Letter of explanation Reappointment Offer, if needed Work Agreement Application, if needed Any additional paperwork required by park Work Agreement Authorization for Release of Information Any additional paperwork required by park Offer declined. Offer accepted. Applicant returns Offer declined. Offer accepted. forms to volunteer Applicant returns coordinator. forms to volunteer coordinator. Not hired. Not hired. Park notified. Park notified. Background check conducted. Copy of report sent to applicant. Volunteer hired. Notification of approval and copies of completed paperwork sent to Rejected Approved Not hired. volunteer and park. Applicant and park notified. Park sends any additional information to volunteer (welcome, move-in info, etc.)

How it works



https://gfp.sd.gov/volunteer/

Recognition Items

- 24 hours the current years Park Entrance License
- 100 hours SD Quarter/Stamp
 Prairie set
- Starting at 200+ hours they receive 2 Free Camping Certificates along with a recognition item
- 500 hours Travel Mug
- 1,000 hours Power Bank
- 3,000 and over we have choice items for the volunteer to pick from.
 - Sweatshirt (2 types)
 - Fishing shirt
 - Towel Set (2 bath and 2 hand)
 - Picnic/Stadium Blanket



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Outstanding Volunteers

- Lake Vermillion Host Georgia
 Pusch
 - Years of Service 10
 - Hours of Service 12,332
 - 2018 Volunteer of the Year
- Cow Creek Host –
 Vern Shields
 - Years of Service 14
 - Hours of Service 14,628
- Rocky Point Hosts –
 Tom and Twila Johnson
 - Years of Service 6
 - Hours of Service (combined)– 15,293
- Custer State Park
 - Oliver Tollefson
 - The Collin's



Outstanding Volunteers

SOUTH DAKOTA

Game, Fish
& Parks

- West Bend Remmers
 - Joined us in 2009
 - Combined service of over 12,000 hours!
- West Bend Joy's
 - Joined us in 2010
 - Combined service of over 11,000 hours!
- Both couples received the Volunteer of the Year award in 2019.



Outstanding Volunteer

- Good Earth Priscilla Jorve
 - Joined us in 2017
 - 1,500 hours of service!
 - Duties include welcoming visitors at the visitor center, light cleaning and being an ambassador of the park.
 Priscilla has worked hard to learn the history, wildlife, trails and flowers so that she can better serve our guests
 - Priscilla says Good Earth gives her purpose and loves this amazing park
 - Fun Fact: age...90!



SOUTH DAKOTA



