



City of West Palm Beach
Department of Parks and Recreation
(561)804-4900
Volunteer Consent/Release Form

Applicant's Name (printed)

Social Security Number _____ Date of Birth _____

Applicant's Address

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

I, _____, authorize and give consent for the above named organization to obtain information regarding myself. This includes the following:

- Criminal background records/information
- Sex Offender Registry Checks
- Addresses

I the undersigned, authorize this information to be obtained either in writing or via telephone in connection with my volunteer application. Any person, firm or organization providing information or records in accordance with this authorization is released from any and all claims of liability for compliance. Such information will be held in confidence in accordance with the organization's guidelines.

Print Name:

_____ Date: _____

Signature

Return form to: City of West Palm Beach

Department of Parks and Recreation

401 Clematis Street.

West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Office Use Only:

Program/CC Assigned to: _____ **Supervisor:** _____ **Date to HR** _____



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Volunteer Interest and Skills Assessment

Thank you for your interest in volunteering! Volunteers bring invaluable skills, expertise and passion to the [Department]. Many opportunities are available. To best understand who you are-- your skills, your areas of interest--and to identify volunteer activities for you, please complete this form.

Name _____ Today's Date _____

E-mail _____

Address _____

City State ZIP _____

Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Identifying Specific Skills & Interests

To help identify volunteer activities that will match your interests and skills, please check the appropriate columns below. A skill is something you do well (e.g., an ability, a competence, a talent). Not every skill, however, is supported by an interest. An interest is something that intrigues you or positively motivates you (i.e., something you like to do). Not every interest is supported by a skill. Successful volunteer experiences allow you to share skills you are interested in, and expand your skills into areas of interest.

Job-related Skills

Athletics Please specify _____	Graphic design	Nature/sustainable practices
Child development	Hiking/Trail development	Neighborhood relations
Coaching Specify sport _____	Historian	Office Work
Career counseling	Inclusive/Special needs services	Photography
Event planning	Journalism/Editorial	Public Speaking
Family support	Maintenance (Building)	Senior services
Fine Arts	Maintenance (Ball fields)	Strategic planning
Fitness	Maintenance (Parks)	Teaching
Fundraising	Marketing Specify type: _____	Web design/development
Gardening	Media relations	Youth development
Government affairs	Music	

Identifying General Skills & Interests

Interest	Skill	Category Includes Activities Such As...
_____	_____	Research: Observe, investigate, study, measure, test, examine
_____	_____	Analysis: Analyze, compare, evaluate, differentiate, identify
_____	_____	Problem Solving: Troubleshoot, improve, critique, redesign, solve
_____	_____	Planning: Plan short-term or long-term, forecast, set goals
_____	_____	Leadership: Lead, advise, govern, inspire, motivate, assert, decide
_____	_____	Follow-through: Persist, bring to closure, obtain results, and show tenacity
_____	_____	Mentoring: Mentor, coach, help others to grow and learn
_____	_____	Innovation: Invent, adapt, develop, change, and break with convention
_____	_____	Artistry: Create, draw, sketch, and design
_____	_____	Empathy: Understand needs of others, relate to issues/concerns
_____	_____	Writing: Write clearly, communicate effectively
_____	_____	Speaking: Speak clearly and effectively; present to groups
_____	_____	Persuasion: Persuade, convince, teach, inspire, influence, motivate
_____	_____	Negotiation: Negotiate, mediate, intervene, and resolve differences

Volunteer Interest and Skills Assessment (continued)

What hobbies or special interests do you have?

Why do you want to support your community as a volunteer?

Mentor and support community members	Fundraising Skills
Professional Networking	Public Speaking Skills
Develop social network and make new friends/connections	Increase physical activity
Leadership Skills	Meet people
A good feeling about "Giving Back to the community"	To better connect with the community
Event Planning Skills	Other: _____

Is there any other information that would help us match you with a volunteer opportunity?

Thank you for being part of a national movement making communities safe through effective volunteer management practices that attract the best volunteers to develop healthy children and livable communities.