



Volunteer In Parks Program

The General's Volunteers

Landscape Gardeners Needed!

Join Community Members

This dedicated and merry group of volunteers maintain the Vallejo Vineyard Rehabilitation Project and the Historic Olive Grove of Sonoma's founder, Mariano Guadalupe Vallejo under the direction of a California State Park Landscape Maintenance Technician.

Volunteer with the Landscape Team

Learn new skills working with an experienced team. The General's Volunteers share in the bounty of the vineyard and olive grove produced within the park. The group works in a relaxed, cooperative atmosphere where each participant sets their own pace. Join in the group's annual barbeque picnic, olive oil and wine tastings, and field trips to neighboring horticultural locations. Learn about the historical Mission Olive grove and oil production. Work outdoors in unparalleled beauty.

Minimal Commitment

This volunteer opportunity is somewhat flexible but requires a steady commitment. Volunteers fulfill a minimum of four hours per month or forty hours per year under the Volunteer In Parks Program and receive a District or Statewide Park Pass in return. The General's Volunteers (TGV) meets each Wednesday from 8:30am-11:30am at the Vallejo Family Home. An initial application and background check are required prior to beginning service.

The General's Volunteers work outdoors throughout the year. Interested participants must consider the physical requirements of this opportunity and feel comfortable participating in: pruning, harvesting, weed and pest abatement, fertilizing, plant propagation, soil management, irrigation, and more.

Training Provided

Volunteers are trained in landscape management that includes a deep understanding of the Vallejo family olive grove and vineyards. Training includes; general horticultural skills, how to work in historically and culturally sensitive environments, and the art of maintaining the General's unique cultural landscape.

Visit www.parks.ca.gov/sonomashp for an application and instructions. To inquire further, contact Sonoma.VIPP@parks.ca.gov or (707) 938-9547. Visit www.sonomaparks.org for a schedule of upcoming lectures, workshops and park events.

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