

Parks, Recreation, & Cultural Affairs

Volunteer Opportunities

While this document does not include all of our volunteer opportunities, it does include most of them.
For further information, please contact us at (505) 599-1197.

Area	Opportunity	Description	Special Requirements	Check all Interests
Aquatics	Interactive Fountains Keeper	Maintains and cleans debris from Berg Park Fountain and Orchard Plaza Fountain. Enforces safety regulations and reports any unusual, un-functional, or suspicious objects.		
Aquatics	Lions/Brookside Front Desk Clerk	Demonstrates excellent customer service skills by greeting customers, providing information, answers questions, and accurately and efficiently key sales.	Excellent customer service. City of Farmington Cash Handling Policy	
Aquatics	Lions Pool Plant Gardener	Provides care for various plants by watering, dusting, grooming, and repotting. Checks for any infestation and cleans any debris from the plants.		
Aquatics	Swim Lesson Attendant	Communicates to both parents and children to help assist child get into the correct class. Assists in any needs of the water safety instructors, including inputting course records into a computer database.	Works well with children of all ages. Not required to be in the water.	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Meals On Wheels Delivery	Deliver a hot meal to a homebound senior citizen once a week. Drive the same route and see the same people. Extend a warm greeting and make a wellness check to make sure they are alright. Most routes can be done in one hour.	NM Drivers License Use your own vehicle, stipend incl.	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Benefits Counselor	Assist senior citizens in finding needed resources. Counsel on Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security, Legal Services, billing issues, Housing Opportunities and much more. Requires training which leads to certification with the State of New Mexico.	Extensive Background check. Computer skills	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Instructors	Teach on going classes or closed end sessions on a favorite interest, hobby, or topic. Set the class size and difficulty level. Classes can be educational, recreational, passive or just informative. Share your knowledge and make a difference.	Good communication Dependable	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Receptionist/Welcome Desk	If you enjoy greeting people and have excellent customer service skills this is what you will enjoy. Greet new visitors, assist people with finding classrooms, give tours of the facilities, hand out brochures, and help set up appointments.	Good communication Self starter Good Listener	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Meals On Wheels Prep Work	Kitchen help packaging our Meals on Wheels. Each day the meals are packed in both hot and cold containers. Then loaded into coolers or bags that hold the heat. The driver takes these in their vehicle. We are preparing 100 MOWS daily right now.	Enjoy working as a team. Can work mornings.	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Decorating Committee	Assist with changing table cloths and décor by season in the main building. Set up place settings for large sit down dinners. Assist with decorating in other facilities. Keep the Serenity Garden cleaned up in front of the annex and bird feeders full.	Must be available during week days	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Day Trip Drivers	Ability to drive a large 13 passenger van loaded with seniors who are laughing and talking. Must have excellent driving skills, hopefully completed a Driver Safety Course. Able to go for a full day from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm and later.	NM Drivers License Good vision Excellent hearing	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Special Event Assistants	We need volunteers to help us keep score for our annual Senior Olympics We need volunteers to assist with our annual Flea Market or Craft Fair We need volunteers to serve trays at large dinners	Likes sports Likes to be outside Can work weekdays	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Hillbilly Band	Volunteer to play music with our infamous Hillbilly Band. This group of cut-ups goes to local nursing homes and special events and gets the party going by playing kazoos, washboards, tamborines, spoons, and anything else with a tone.	Must like fun. Wear a hat and a crazy get up .	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Driver Safety Program Instructor	Instructors trained by AARP to teach seniors 55+ how to drive defensively and also get a discount on their auto insurance. Classes are four hours long. Students receive a notebook and a certificate of completion.	NM Drivers License Clean driving record Talk in front of group	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Photographer	Photograph special events for the senior center. Must have experience in photography. Help with photos for newsletter and other brochures as needed.	Experience or education with photography	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Grant Writer	Assist the senior center in finding alternative funding sources for programs. Help identify new opportunities that could be added to our programming through grants. Write the grants for the senior center.	Experience and Education	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Day Old Bread Drivers	Assists with picking up the day old goods at businesses who donate to the seniors. User your own car to bring the pastries to the senior center.	NM Drivers License Able to lift and move	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Handy Man	Use your talents to assist seniors who are low income by completing home maintenance or building projects they could not get done on their own. You use your tools and they pay for parts. Some volunteers have built ramps on porches.	Honest Experienced & capable Big Hearted	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Kitchen Aide	If you like to cook fry bread we need you for our annual craft fair and flea market. We serve Navajo tacos to a very large crowd and it is all hands on deck.	Experience Strong hands big hearted	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	House Plant caregiver	Do you have a green thumb? We have plants that need attention, pruning, re-potting, and tlc. Talking to plants not necessary but, a plus.	Green thumb Plant care experience	
Bonnie Dallas Senior Center	Class Assistant	Many of our established instructors do not have an assistant to take the class in	Weekdays	

		their absence. They would love an extra pair of hands to assist them and give more attention to the students. Check to see which classes need your help.	dependable	
Civic Center / Sanstone Productions	Usher	Assists individuals in getting their tickets and assisting them to their seats at the Farmington Civic Center and at the Lions Wilderness Park Amphitheater	Excellent Customer Service Must be able to stand for several hours at a time	
Civic Center / Sanstone Productions	Ticket Taker/Ambassador	Take tickets at the gate or door answer questions from patrons in regards to the venue or the show	Excellent Customer Service Must be able to stand for several hours at a time	
Civic Center / Sanstone Productions	Gift Shop Attendant	Lions Wilderness Park Amphitheater only- Work assign shifts in the evenings during Sandstone Productions presentations	Excellent customer service skills and the ability to work with money	
Civic Center / Sanstone Productions	Concession Stand	Work concessions at Lions Wilderness Park Amphitheater. Work prior to show and during intermission of Sandstone Productions during the summer schedule.	Excellent customer service skills and the ability to work with money	
Civic Center / Sanstone Productions	Stage Hand	Assist in the painting and construction of set pieces, props and various other duties in the preparation of the theater for the summer performances	Experience in theater practices preferred	
Farmington Clean & Beautiful	Spring Dumpster Weekend	Will Tally totals & direct traffic to appropriate drop sites.		
Farmington Clean & Beautiful	Fall Dumpster Weekend	Will Tally totals & direct traffic to appropriate drop sites.		
Farmington Clean & Beautiful	Farmington Lake Cleanup	Semi-annual clean up/volunteers pick up trash		
Farmington Clean & Beautiful	Adopt-A-Spot	Corporate or Organization adopt an area for twice a year trash clean up		
Farmington Clean & Beautiful	Keep It Clean Program	Help facilitate kids programs monthly at Sycamore Park & Recreation Center		
Farmington Clean & Beautiful	Connie Mack World Series	Go into stands at top of fourth inning so fans can put trash in bags		
Animal Services	Aide/Customer Service	Assist visitors at the shelter by providing information, assisting with animal care, greet and direct customers to the appropriate areas of the shelter, help in searching for a lost animal or relinquishing an owned animal.	Excellent Customer service skills Must be 18 +	
Animal Services	Administrative Office Support	Provide clerical support which may include filing, typing and helping with other office needs, giving general information to customers, help guide customers throughout adoption or lost/found areas.	Excellent Customer service skills Must be 18 or over	
Animal Services	Adoption Counselor	Increase the number and the quality of adoptions by helping people find the right pet! Volunteers explain adoption procedures; help adopters with completing the adoption process and answer questions.	Excellent Customer service skills, Must be 18 +	
Animal Services	Dog Helper/Dog Care	Assist with cleaning, feeding , and grooming. Provide one on one attention to help with socialization and anxiety. Comfort and care for both puppies and adult dogs who feel displaced.	Must be 18 Big Hearted Love Dogs	
Animal Services	Dog Walker	To walk, exercise and teach basic obedience to shelter dogs in order to make them more adoptable. Also will be needed to help staff with daily cleaning; dog kennels and water dishes.	Must be 18 + Responsible Disciplined	
Animal Services	Education/Outreach Volunteer	Assist at various sites throughout the city and at the shelter facility to educate citizens about animal care and welfare, pet over-population, rabies prevention, and other animal related topics. Promote awareness at schools and special events.	Excellent Customer service skills, Must be 18 +	
Animal Services	Feline Helper/Cat Care	To provide cleaning assistance, feed, groom and visit with cats and kittens to help socialize, comfort, pet and simply provide much needed one on one time (lap time).	Must be 18 Big Hearted Love Cats	
Animal Services	Foster Care/Home	Provide temporary care and shelter in volunteers home to potentially adoptable animals. Help animals that are too young, nursing or ill until available to be placed in homes.	Must have an approved home for fostering.	
Animal Services	Donation/Fundraiser Coordinator	Organize various fundraising events, assist with the special adoption events. Assist with donated items used for animal shelter spay/neuter clinic. To share knowledge and compassion to public about animals.	Excellent Customer service skills, Must be 18 +	
Animal Services	General Animal Care	Work directly with animals, perform tasks like feeding, bathing, and exercise or walk animals, interact with prospective pet owners, provide advise, clerical assistance, assist with laundry, dishes, and assist with all general cleaning with facility.	Must be 18 + Flexible Self Starter	
Animal Services	Groomer	To bathe, groom and trim nails on shelter dogs and cats to make them feel better and to make them more adoptable. Will need to be comfortable with working with animals of varying sizes, temperaments, and needs.	Must be 18 + Detail Oriented	
Animal Services	Special Event/Promo Aide	Perform various duties at events sponsored by the shelter, assist in spreading the word at various fairs and public events, contact newspaper/radio personnel, create posters, design brochures, and educational hand-outs.	Excellent Customer service skills, Personable	

Animal Services	Veterinary Medical Support	Assist with spay neuter surgery preparation and recovery, may possibly assist with autoclave and medical instruments. Will need to assist with laundry and general clean up of the facility.	Knowledge Preferred Experienced	
Animal Services	Trainer	Help provide dogs with basic obedience skills to help them become better canine citizens. Teach dogs to sit, stay, and come on command. Give small demonstrations at events. Give advise to public about how to correct bad behavior in pets.	Experienced ethical Good Communication	
Animal Services	Tour Guide	Direct tour groups around approved areas of the shelter; educate and answer questions as requested. Help with media events when requesting pictures/articles for all media outlets.	Public Speaking Skills	
Animal Services	Animal Rescue Transporter:	Must have the ability to drive various distances to transport dogs for rescue groups and various events.	NM Drivers License good record Safety oriented	
Golf	Starter	Instructs golfers on course rules and regulations, helps keep the 1st tee running on schedule per the day's tee sheet	Excellent Customer Service Must be able to stand for several hours at a time	
Golf	Golf Ranger	Patrols the golf course on a golf cart, keeps golfers on proper pace of play so that there aren't any undue delays	Excellent Customer Service Must be able to stand for several hours at a time	
Golf	Golf Shop Attendant	Answers phone, schedules tee times and appointments. Assist customers with merchandise, questions, etc.	Excellent customer service skills and the ability to work with money	
Golf	Maintenance	Helps keep facilities clean - picks up trash, cleans bathrooms, etc. Helps with arranging golf carts for play, help with tournament setup.	Excellent customer service skills and the ability to work around facility for long periods	
Museum System	Education Services	Volunteer assists education staff with developing and conducting interactive educational programming for all ages.	Excellent skills in communication & organization	
Museum System	Visitor Services	Volunteer assists staff with welcoming visitors, tracking visitation, maintaining exhibit integrity, helping visitors shop in museum stores, stocking brochures, & completing fulfillment orders.	Excellent communication skills	
Museum System	Museum Store Services	Volunteer is responsible for maintaining outstanding customer service, following cash handling policy and procedures, processing sales quickly, accurately & efficiently, point of sale operations & safeguarding assets.	One year related field experience	
Museum System	Collections Services	Volunteer assists curatorial staff with cataloguing acquisitions & data entry, scanning photographs & other documents, researching exhibits & family histories, transcribing, & conducting behind the scenes tours.	One year related field experience	
Museum System	Exhibit Services	Volunteer assists exhibits staff with exhibit installation & de-installation, proof reading text, exhibit fabrication & other tasks such as painting, cleaning, mount making, etc. Exhibit maintenance & repair are also routine tasks.	One year related field experience	
Museum System	Special Projects	Volunteer assists staff with a variety of diverse assignments related to prescheduled & spontaneous projects & events. This volunteer assignment may include attributes from all museum job descriptions.	Ability to relate to people of all ages & backgrounds	
Parks Operations	Annuals Care	Plant annuals in the city parks and facilities landscapes. Dead head blossoms during blooming season. Remove dead annuals and weeds from planting beds.	Physically able to bend and stoop Self Motivated	
Parks Operations	Perennials Care	Plant perennials in the city parks and facilities landscapes. Dead head blossoms during the blooming season. Prune in the fall and spring. Weeding may be required.	Physically able to bend and stoop Self Motivated	
Parks Operations	Shrub and Tree Planting	Plant shrubs and trees in the city parks and facilities landscapes.	Able to use a shovel and lifting involved	
Parks Operations	Shrub and Tree Pruning	Prune shrubs and lower branches of trees in the city parks and facilities landscapes.	Safety oriented physically able to lift branches	
Parks Operations	Weeder	Remove weeds and debris from flower beds in the city parks and facilities.	Able to recognize weeds. stooping & bending	
Parks Operations	River Park Tree Clean Up	Remove dead wood and invasive tree species. Prune lower branches of trees.	Safety oriented work 6" above grade	
Parks Operations	Parks Litter Clean Up	Assist with trash and debris removal in the city parks. Dispose of bagged trash at PRCA dumpster.	Able to bend and stoop to pick up trash.	
Parks Operations	Landscape design/draftperson	Assist with preparing landscape plans for the city parks and city landscapes which make our area so beautiful.	Creative professional available	
Road Apple Rally	Course Marshall	Must have an understanding of the Mountain Bike Trails within the Glade north of Farmington and be able to direct and assist participants in the Road Apple Rally.	Vehicle able to traverse dirt roads within the Glade	
Road Apple Rally	Finish Line	Assist the timing company in set up and collection of timing chips from participants	Be able to stand for long periods of time	

Road Apple Rally	Packet Pick up	Assist participants in filling out the proper paperwork and picking up their packets and any other information necessary for their participation.		
Totah Festival	Rug Auction	Various duties association with the Rug Auction, Rug holders, Unsold Rug Table, Sold Rug Table, Rug Sales Table		
Totah Festival	Raffle Sales	Raffle Ticket Sales at the festival	Ability to handle Money	
Totah Festival	T-Shirt Sales & Coke sales	Sale Festival T-Shirts and Cokes as part of the Festival	Ability to handle Money	
Sycamore Park Community Center	Activities Shuttle Volunteer	Bus/Shuttle patrons of Sycamore Park Community Center to the designated location.	NM Drivers License	
Sycamore Park Community Center	Artist Volunteer	Assist Sycamore Park Community Center with art tasks to include but is not limited to any medium of art.		
Sycamore Park Community Center	Arts & Crafts Volunteer	Assist Sycamore Park Community Center in educational arts and crafts programs/classes that benefit the local neighborhood.		
Sycamore Park Community Center	Computer Lab Monitor	Assist with the computer lab waiting list and monitoring materials being viewed on internet sites at Sycamore Park Community Center.		
Sycamore Park Community Center	Decorating Volunteer	Assist Sycamore Park Community Center with decorations for holidays and special events.		
Sycamore Park Community Center	Equipment Check Out	Assist in checking in/out equipment to patrons who use Sycamore Park Community Center.		
Sycamore Park Community Center	Front Desk Volunteer	Assist with answering phones and doing administrative work for Sycamore Park Community Center.		
Sycamore Park Community Center	Fundraiser Volunteer	Assist with fundraising projects created to benefit Sycamore Park Community Center.		
Sycamore Park Community Center	Grounds Keeper Volunteer	Assist in maintaining order of the grounds at Sycamore Park Community Center.		
Sycamore Park Community Center	Plant Caretaker Volunteer	Maintain the plant life at Sycamore Park Community Center.		
Sycamore Park Community Center	Security Volunteer	Assist with security of large events at Sycamore Park Community Center.		
Sycamore Park Community Center	Special Events Volunteer	Assist Sycamore Park Community Center with special events decorating and execution of event.		