

Advocacy Volunteer

Why this role is necessary: Advocacy volunteers assist the Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation by amplifying the voice of the organization, mobilizing community support and raising awareness about the importance of legislation or actions impacting state parks, forests, conservation, and recreation. These volunteers engage with local communities, policymakers, and stakeholders to champion the cause, driving legislative and public support for conservation efforts. Their efforts help ensure that vital resources and funding are allocated to conserve and enhance Pennsylvania's parks and forests, fostering a legacy of environmental stewardship.

When and Where: Can be done remotely! In person opportunities statewide as needed.

Description: As an Advocacy Volunteer for the Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation, you will play a pivotal role in advancing our mission to steward Pennsylvania's parks and forests. You will assist in crafting and delivering compelling messages to raise awareness about conservation issues, promote advocacy campaigns, and mobilize public support. By leveraging your passion for environmental conservation and your communication skills, you will help drive meaningful change and secure the necessary resources for maintaining and improving Pennsylvania's parks and forests.

Responsibilities:

- Build and maintain relationships with local community members, organizations, and groups to promote awareness and support for the foundation's initiatives
- Participate in letter writing campaigns to policymakers, legislators, and other influential figures, urging them to support conservation efforts and funding for parks and forests
- Conduct research on relevant legislation, policies, and environmental issues to inform advocacy efforts and provide recommendations
- Track the progress of advocacy efforts, report on outcomes, and provide feedback to improve future strategies
- Serve on advocacy committee

Qualifications Needed:

- A strong commitment to environmental conservation
- Familiarity with current environmental issues and relevant legislation
- Excellent verbal and written communication abilities, including the capacity to craft compelling messages and engage effectively with diverse audiences

Tools Necessary: A computer or laptop is essential for this role.

Benefits to Volunteer: Volunteering as an Advocacy Volunteer for the Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation offers numerous benefits, including the opportunity to gain valuable experience in environmental advocacy and public policy. Volunteers will develop strong communication and organizational skills while working on impactful campaigns that make a tangible difference in stewarding natural landscapes. Additionally, they will build a network of like-minded individuals and professionals, enhancing their connections within the conservation community.