

Volunteer Program
City of Mason City

VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: PARKS AMBASSADOR
Park Watch Program

GENERAL PURPOSE: Partnership between citizen volunteers and City of Mason City personnel helping to enhance the quality of life for citizens and visitors in the community.

GOAL: To help prevent crime, reduce acts of vandalism, and to alleviate disturbances and suspicious activities.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Identify activities that are suspicious in nature and communicate them effectively with law enforcement.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Required:

- (A) Be 18 years old or older
- (B) Possess motor vehicle transportation
- (C) Have valid driver's license
- (D) Pass background check
- (E) Complete required training

Desired: It is helpful if Parks Ambassadors have completed the Citizen Police Academy or participated in a police ride along.

BENEFITS: Parks Ambassadors are instrumental in assisting law enforcement efforts by helping to deter acts of vandalism, in reducing costs to the taxpayer and making a positive difference within the community.

COORDINATION: Parks Ambassadors report results of completed patrols as well as respond to scheduling requests or convey scheduling conflicts to the Volunteer Service Coordinator, City Volunteer Program.

TIME COMMITMENT: Must complete three-hour patrol per assignment. Willing to complete maximum of one patrol per month. Parks Ambassadors are encouraged to attend end-of-year session and refresher training session.

WORK LOCATION: Parks Ambassadors patrol designated parks from within their personal vehicle and stay in contact with the Joint Dispatch Center during their scheduled patrol.

This is a volunteer position and does not receive any monetary compensation.