Guidelines for Volunteer Activity during COVID-19

Lane County Parks values the role volunteers play in our Parks Division. While their personal time and skills are invaluable, safety must be the first priority. At this time modified measures and condensed volunteer activities are in place. Community work parties, business events and general outreach have ceased. Friends groups, partnership organizations and individual volunteers wishing to resume work must follow these guidelines put in place by the Lane County Parks Division. Established volunteer groups are permitted to host limited activities at a smaller scale and must adhere to these guidelines. In the event these guidelines are not followed and the volunteers or the public feel unsafe, the Lane County Parks Division will not permit volunteer activity until a future date.

- Events, work parties and congregating in groups larger than 10 people are prohibited.
- Masks. Statewide guidance states individuals must wear a “Face Covering” which means a cloth, paper, or disposable face covering that covers the nose and the mouth. Masks are required for activity indoors. Volunteers should carry a mask at all times even when outdoors. Masks will not be provided by Lane County Parks, contact your Volunteer Group to see if masks are available.
- If a task requires two or more people without a minimum of 6 feet social distancing, those people are required to wear masks and if possible be from the same household.
  - Secondly, the necessity of the task should be reevaluated.
- Do not share tools or materials. Volunteers must bring tools and necessary materials from home and use the same 1 or 2 tools during the duration of the event.
- Clean and disinfect materials and tools after use.
- Lane County Parks encourages using hand sanitizer. Volunteers or Group/Event Leaders are responsible for supplying hand sanitizer, cleaning wipes and/or other necessary cleaning agents.
  - If hand washing is available, Group/Event Leaders should ensure soap is present.
- Volunteers should be wearing gloves at all times, disposable or reusable. Gloves will not be provided by Lane County Parks.
- No food or beverage sharing. Please do not bring food which includes bottled water to share at this time. Volunteers should bring food from home for personal consumption only.
- Provide multiple pens or bring a personal pen to sign the Waiver of Liability. Monitor the sign up area so volunteers are not congregating waiting to sign.
- Volunteers should not congregate at common spaces such as trail heads, picnic tables, shelters/structures, benches or fire rings and BBQ pits.
- Follow guidelines by the Oregon Health Authority:
  - Maintain 6 feet between you and all other people.
  - Wash or sanitize your hands after contact with any surface.
  - Do not touch your face, except after washing or sanitizing your hands.
  - Avoid groups and contact with other people.
  - Wear a cloth covering for your nose and mouth to protect others if you can’t keep 6 feet apart. Do so, even if you feel well and do not show symptoms of illness.