

Parks Volunteer/Campground Host

Yellow Medicine County is looking for someone who is interested in filling the Campground Host position at Timm Park for the 2021 camping season. Must be at least 18 years of age. The ideal host would be available from May 1st through Labor Day. Complete the attached Volunteer Application form and send to the Finance & Administration Department, 180 8th Ave., Granite Falls, MN 56241. The position is open until filled. The first review will be on November 4, 2020. Inquiries call (320) 564-5841.

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Introduction

This packet is designed to give you the information necessary to apply for a campground host position. Please send completed applications to:

YMC Parks
1320 13th Street
Granite Falls, MN 56241

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

During the period from April 26 to September 12, the volunteer serves as a "live in" host at a park campground for at least a two-week period. The primary responsibility is to assist campers by answering questions and explaining campground rules in a cheerful and helpful manner. Campground Host volunteers should be familiar with park rules and should become familiar with local points of interest and the location where local services can be obtained.

Volunteer perform light maintenance work around the campground such as litter pickup, sweeping, stocking supplies in toilet buildings and making emergency minor repairs when possible.

Volunteers will set an example by being model campers, practicing good housekeeping at all times in and around the host site, and by observing all rules.

Campground Host volunteers generally work independently. Volunteers are accountable to the park supervisor who will provide training and orientation for hosts and assist hosts throughout the season with any question or problems that may arise.

Guidelines for Campground Host Program

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| When | The Campground Host Program runs from April 26 through September 12. At other times of the year, campground hosts may be used as needed and at the discretion of the campground manager. |
| How Long | Volunteers are expected to serve at a campground for a week end or longer. Consideration may also be given to shorten this period if special circumstances occur. Such provisions are at the discretion of the campground manager or because of a severe hardship to the host. |
| Selection | Campground hosts will be selected from applications that have been satisfactorily completed and submitted in a timely manner. Interviews will be conducted by the campground manager. |

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Background Check	All county volunteers must undergo a background check. This is done at the time of selection. This also applies to hosts returning from the previous season.
Cancellation	Either party entering into this agreement has the option to cancel for a valid reason and give notification to the other party. The host shall vacate the campground site by the termination date agreed upon. In the event of campground closings, host agreements may be canceled immediately.
Termination	Campground Host volunteers may be terminated and required to vacate the site if job performance is deemed unsatisfactory.
Host Benefit	Campground hosts are provided a free campsite in return for services provided. A campground host's camping unit and equipment may remain on site during the full time of the agreement.
Campsite	The county will select the site and facilities to be used by the campground host. Generally, the site shall be close to the campground entrance.
Equipment	The campground host provides their own camping unit, equipment and personal items. Other equipment needed to perform duties may be provided by and at the discretion of the campground manager.
Work Week	Campground hosts are to provide service during the week to include weekends and holidays. They may be off duty two to three weekdays. Days off are mutually agreed to by the campground manager and the host, not Friday through Sunday.
Hours	Campground host on-duty hours will be mutually agreed to by the campground manager and the host.
On-Call	Campground hosts are "on-call" to assist other campers at all times of the day or night. Campground hosts should attempt to greet new campers, introduce themselves and share information about the campground and the park.
Duties	Campground host duties will include light cleanup in the campground (a few hours each day), keeping toilet buildings neat between visits of regular cleaning crews, assisting and directing visitors to campsites, explaining camping fees, assisting with camping activities.
Prohibitions	Campground hosts normally will not collect money nor operate county vehicles unless authorized.

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No Enforcement Duties Campground hosts will take no law enforcement measures other than being observant and advising campers of minor rule violations. Violators of major infractions will be reported to county park personnel.

Identification A sign which reads "Campground Host" will identify the host site. An adult member of the host family will be provided with a Campground Host name tag. No uniforms are required.

Rules Campground hosts shall comply with all rules and policies of the Yellow Medicine County Parks at all times.

Yellow Medicine County Parks Volunteer Application

Contact Information

Please print or type

Name	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	
E-Mail Address	

Availability

During which days are you available for volunteer assignments?

You must be available for two consecutive weeks, starting on Mondays.

Please List the dates that you wish to work (you can sign up for as long as you want).

1st choice:

2nd choice:

3rd choice:

Summarize special skills and qualifications you have acquired from employment, previous volunteer work, or through other activities, including hobbies or sports.

Please list who will be staying with you at the park:

1.	_____
2.	_____
3.	_____

Previous Volunteer Experience

Summarize your previous volunteer experience.

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Person to Notify in Case of Emergency

Name	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	
E-Mail Address	

Agreement and Signature

By submitting this application, I affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete. I understand that if I am accepted as a volunteer, any false statements, omissions, or other misrepresentations made by me on this application may result in my immediate dismissal. Applicants chosen will be subject to a criminal background check.

Name (printed)	
Signature	
Date	

Our Policy

It is the policy of this organization to provide equal opportunities without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual preference, age, or disability.

Thank you for completing this application form and for your interest in volunteering with us.