

TXMN Volunteer Opportunities at Fischer Park Nature Education Center

Thanks so much for your interest in volunteering at Fischer Park!

Below are our current opportunities.

Please note that all recurring volunteers must complete a background check with the city. It's a simple online form and there is no cost to you.

Educational Programs:

Saturday programming (kids and adults):

Lead or assist with a variety of educational nature programs. The below programs generally take place on Saturdays, but sometimes are offered to private groups during the week.

Time commitment varies but is generally between 1-2 hours.

Some options include:

- **Garden Volunteer Day:** Assist visitors in caring for our Butterfly Garden. 1st Saturday of the month, 9-10 am.
- **Wednesday Bird Walk:** Knowledgeable birders needed to lead or assist in leading our adult Wednesday Bird Walk Program. Held every Wednesday morning September through May, 9-10 am.
- **Fishing Program (freshwater fishing license required):** Volunteers needed to assist with our fishing programs for both kids and adults. Days and times vary.

School-aged Field Trips (usually K - 5th grade)

Lead (or assist with) an educational field trip station for a public, private, or home school group. Usually held in the morning – many scheduled in spring, but some in fall as well. Field trips are 2 hours, so with set-up and tear-down, total time commitment is approximately 2-4 hours. All training and materials provided. Sample stations include Seed balls; Pond Dipping; Furs and Skulls; and Butterfly Garden.

Maintenance Projects:

Assist with a variety of maintenance tasks, including (but not limited to):

- Working in our Butterfly Garden (either during monthly Garden Volunteer Days, or on your own schedule)
- Litter pick-up

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- Invasive species removal (all training provided)
- Fishing pole maintenance/repair

Citizen Science:

eBird and iNaturalist: Contribute to our knowledge of the natural resources of Fischer Park. Fischer Park has a Project set up in iNaturalist, and we actively participate in the San Antonio City Nature Challenge the last weekend of April!

Special Events:

Assist with park special events, including check-in/information stations, kids' activities, etc.

Dog Rodeo: (no TXMN hours, just for fun!) **Saturday March 21st** (event is 11 am to 2 pm)

City Nature Challenge: Saturday April 25th, 8 am to 1 pm

Monarch Festival: Saturday October 24th, 11 am to 3 pm

Thank you so much for partnering with us!

Please reach out to me with any questions or if you'd like to sign up to volunteer!

Sincerely,

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