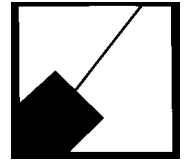


The Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission
Department of Park & Planning, Montgomery County



Volunteer Services Office
9500 Brunett Avenue
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VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Forest Resource Technician

Location: Numerous sites throughout the Montgomery County Park System

Job Description

A variety of non-native, invasive plant species are present in Montgomery County Parks. By their nature, these plants can take over an area quickly and threaten entire plant communities. Of particular concern is the loss of native plant communities and species. Volunteers can help control these invasive plants through manual management techniques (cutting, pulling, bagging plant parts, etc.). This work, while of a physical nature, is rewarding and can have a significant impact on the local ecosystem.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Under direction from the Forest Ecologist, identify work locations, target plant species and management techniques for specific areas.
- Remove plants as appropriate.
- Leave all cuttings and debris in a safe and accessible location.
- Notify Forest Ecologist of work progress and/or other specific site needs routinely.

Qualifications

- Ability to identify target species accurately in the field in a variety of growth stages
- Ability to work well independently
- Ability to perform work of a physical nature in an outdoor environment
- Minimum age: 16 years

Training

- Attend training class or make other arrangements with Forest Ecologist
- Learn management techniques for specific invasive species and safe work methods
- Meet with Forest Ecologist until appropriate level of expertise in identification and removal methods is demonstrated