



Dear Potential Park Host:

I am pleased to hear of your interest in the LCRA Park Host program. Enclosed are applications, background check forms, release from liability forms and an information sheet about the program you have requested. If you would like to apply, please fill out these forms and send them back to me. Both the Release from Liability and Background Check forms must be completed individually by each applicant in order to proceed with the application process.

Feel free to call me if you have any questions. I look forward to talking to you soon.

Sincerely yours,
LCRA - Parks
Phone: 800-776-5272 ext. 3366
Fax: 512-793-2200 / 512-498-1926

Park Host Information Sheet

RV site and park facilities access in exchange for 25 hours of work weekly per site

Park host positions at LCRA parks

LCRA seeks park hosts at parks in Bastrop and Burnet counties. Position requires all park hosts to be able to stay for at least three (3) months with an option to extend another six (6) months. Park host will agree to work 25 hours weekly in exchange for a RV site with full utility hookups. Go to LCRA's web site at www.lcra.org to find the location of the following sites:

- Black Rock Park on Lake Buchanan – Buchanan Dam, TX
- Cedar Point Recreation Area on Lake Buchanan – Tow, TX
- Gloster Bend Recreation Area on Lake Travis – Marble Falls, TX
- Grelle Recreation Area on Lake Travis – Spicewood, TX
- Lake Bastrop North Shore – Bastrop, TX
- Lake Bastrop South Shore – Bastrop, TX
- Matagorda Nature Center – Matagorda, TX
- McKinney Roughs Nature Park & Preserve (not on the river) – Cedar Creek, TX
- Muleshoe Bend Recreation Area on Lake Travis – Spicewood, TX
- Pedernales River Nature Park on the Pedernales River – Johnson City, TX
- Plum Park- on the Colorado River – between Smithville and La Grange, TX
- Shaffer Bend Recreation Area on Lake Travis – Marble Falls, TX
- Turkey Bend Recreation Area on Lake Travis – Marble Falls, TX

What is a park host?

Volunteer park hosts give visitors their first impression of LCRA parks. They provide hospitality to visitors and promote safe use of park facilities. They also give valuable insights on customer experiences and impressions to park staff through their daily contact with visitors.

What are the duties of a park host?

Park Hosts may provide but are not limited to the following services:

- Greet, check in, and direct campers and day users.
- Staff entrance stations. Use cash register and computers to collect park fees and submit proper paperwork to report sales & revenues collected.
- Provide information on park facilities, rules, reservations, fees and orient customers to the park. Provide helpful information to help customers enjoy all the park offers.
- Understand and explain but not enforce park rules and regulations.
Be accessible to customers to provide general assistance and answer questions as well as receive complaints and comments. All complaints and comments should be communicated to staff or District Supervisors or their designee as soon as possible.

- Help maintain park – light maintenance, pick up litter, clean & resupply restrooms/showers, minor repairs including painting, daily checks on campsites to ensure they are clean for next guest.
- Report safety hazards & maintenance concerns
- Report any problems or suspicious activity to park staff if available. If park staff is not onsite reports should be made directly to a LCRA Public Safety.
- Other projects may be assigned based on site needs and hosts' skills and interests.

What are the benefits of being a park host?

Park Hosts are provided a free campsite with water, electric, and sewer hookups and use of park facilities in return for volunteer service. Other amenities may be provided depending on availability of service at specific parks. Park amenities may include water access, fishing piers, boat docks, hiking, mountain bike trails, and nearby shopping, entertainment and sightseeing in the Hill Country and Central Texas. A Park Host's camping unit and equipment may remain on site during the full time of the park host agreement.

Note: No salary is provided.

How are park hosts selected?

Park hosts must have their own RV, and are selected based on:

- Camping experience Prior campground or park host experience
- Experience working with the public
- Length of time willing to be a park host

Questions

For information about park host positions, call LCRA Parks at 1-800-776-5272, Ext. 3366.



Park Host Application

Please submit a recent photo of your camper with his application.

DATE: _____

NAMES: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

1. How did you hear about LCRA Park Hosting?

- Workamper News Magazine
- Workamper Website
- Other Website: _____
- Someone who had park hosted for LCRA
- Other: _____

2. Do you have prior park host experience? YES NO

If so, how long have you park hosting? _____

Locations of past park host assignments:

If no, what type of background do you have?

3. Which parks are you interested in? Please list in order of preference.

4. When are you available? Please be specific.

5. Cleaning restrooms is a must. Do you mind cleaning restrooms? YES NO

6. Do you have any cash handling experience? Please explain.

7. Are you comfortable working with the public? What is your experience?



Release from Liability

Activity: _____

Date of Activity: _____

Participant Name: _____
(please print)

I, the undersigned Participant or Parent or Legal Guardian of Participant, fully understand and agree that participation in the above Activity associated with the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA), or other activities, such as riding in an LCRA vehicle, getting in and out of an LCRA vehicle, canoeing, swimming, kayaking, hiking, or any other volunteer activity, or using LCRA equipment or my own personal equipment, may result in accidental or other physical injury or property damage. I assume all the foregoing risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury or damage. I, for myself, my heirs, legal representatives, and assigns agree to assume the risk of such injury or damage and do hereby RELEASE, ACQUIT, and FOREVER DISCHARGE LCRA and its successors, assigns, directors, agents, and employees (collectively referred to herein as "Released Parties"), from any and all manner of causes of action, lawsuits, claims, demands, judgments, and damages of every kind and character, known or unanticipated, **including, but not limited to, claims of Released Parties negligence or the condition or use of the property of any of the Released Parties**, that I have or could have against the Released Parties or any of them, resulting from or arising out of participation in the Activity. The Released Parties shall not be liable or responsible for, and shall be saved and held harmless by me from and against any and all claims and damages of every kind, including reasonable and necessary costs and attorneys' fees, for injury to or death of any person and for damage to or loss of property, which I, or my heirs or assigns, have or may have arising out of or associated with, directly or indirectly, the Activity or the condition of property owned or controlled by the Released Parties.

By signing this release, I state and declare that I have read it carefully, that I understand all of its terms, and that I voluntarily execute it with full knowledge of its legal consequences.

Date Signed: _____, 20_____

Participant's Signature:

Print _____

Sign _____

Print _____

Sign _____



Background Check Form for Volunteers

To Whom It May Concern:

I hereby authorize and request any present or former employer, school, police department, financial institution or other persons having personal knowledge about me, to furnish bearer with any and all information in their possession regarding me in connection with an application for employment. I am willing that a photocopy of this authorization be accepted with the same authority as the original, and I specifically waive any written notice from any present or former employer who may provide information based upon this authorized request. I understand this authorization is to be part of the written employment application which I sign.

DATE

PRINTED NAME (as it appears on your Social Security Card)

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

DATE OF BIRTH

DRIVERS LICENSE NUMBER AND STATE ISSUED

STREET ADDRESS (as it appears on your D/L or previous address – no PO Box)

CITY STATE ZIP

Have you lived outside the Unites States during the last 7 years? YES NO

Signature of Volunteer:

Print _____

Sign _____



Instructions for Returning Your Park Host Application

By Email:

Please attach all completed forms with any required signatures. Scanned documents will be accepted for pages needing signatures. Background Checks and Release from Liability forms must be completed for each individual applicant.

Send to: trhodes@lcra.org

By Fax:

For the following parks:

Lake Bastrop North Shore, Lake Bastrop South Shore, Plum Park, and Matagorda Bay Nature Park.

Mail all forms to:

LCRA – East District Parks
Mailstop: SSP
PO Box 220
Austin, TX 78767

OR

For the following parks:

Black Rock Park, Cedar Point, Gloster Bend, Grelle, McKinney Roughs Nature Park, Muleshoe Bend, Pedernales River Nature Park, Shaffer Bend and Turkey Bend.

Mail all forms to:

LCRA – West District Parks
Mailstop: Black Rock Park
PO Box 220
Austin, TX 78767