

2014



VOLUNTEER PROGRAM HOURS ANNUAL REPORT

2013–2014 VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

More than **4,000** volunteers contributed **45,314** hours of their time to help the City of Clearwater's Parks and Recreation Department during fiscal year 2013-2014.



Volunteer Hours	42,407
Community Service Worker Hours (CSW)	1,449
AARP Workers	1,458
Total Alternative Workforce Hours	45,314

Value of Total Volunteer Time for fiscal year 2013-2014:

$$45,314 \times \$22.55^* = \$1,021,831$$

*Value of Volunteer Time is determined yearly by the national non-profit group, The Independent Sector. \$22.55 is the most current figure for Value of Volunteer Time. The value is based on figures from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

BY THE NUMBERS

- Over 300 volunteers contributed 15,447.25 hours at the City's recreation centers, coaching youth sports, assisting at the front desk, helping during summer camp, holiday events and swim meets as well as helping students with their homework.
- 2,044 volunteers contributed 9,061.25 hours working at special events, athletic tournaments and swim meets at various City facilities, including Eddie C. Moore Complex, the Long Center, McMullen Tennis Complex and Coachman Park.
- More than 1,000 volunteers spent 15,331.5 volunteer hours helping to maintain the parklands, clear invasive plants and feed the animals that reside at the Moccasin Lake Nature Park.
- More than 600 beautification volunteers participated in more than 40 cleanup projects throughout Clearwater's parklands for a total of 1,716 hours. The Enterprise Dog Park Ambassadors spent 814.5 hours keeping a watchful eye on the park.
- By developing strong partnerships with more than 30 organizations that offer key resources for older adults, the Aging Well Center links residents with relevant programs and services. This year, partner agencies and volunteers donated 1,775.5 hours of their time assisting with the coordination of educational, wellness, creative programs as well as providing access to resources at the center.
- Several local families volunteered 1,168 hours of their time helping the Clearwater Sister Cities Program host visitors from Nagano, Japan. Each year, middle school students from Nagano, Japan come to Clearwater to visit, and we need volunteers to host them in their homes. We also do this when a teacher from Nagano, Japan visits as well. The Sister Cities program would not be successful without the help of volunteers as homestay families.

2013-2014 Breakdown by Division

	Volunteer Hours	CSW Hours	AARP Hours	Total Hours
Recreation Centers	14,449.25	629	369	15,447.25
Special Events and Festivals	7,040	-	-	7,040
Moccasin Lake Nature Park	13,422.5	820	1,089	15,331.5
Beautification Projects	1,716	-	-	1,716
Athletic Tournaments	2,021.25	-	-	2,021.25
Aging Well Center	1,775.5	-	-	1,775.5
Sister Cities Program	1,168	-	-	1,168
Dog Park Ambassadors	814.5	-	-	814.5
Total Hours	42,407	1,449	1,458	45,314

NEW REGISTERED VOLUNTEERS*

Individuals	Approved
AARP	7
Community Service Worker	49
Nagano Homestay Volunteer	42
C.I.T.s & Jr. Guards	51
Volunteers/Coaches	205
Total New *Registered Volunteers	354

New Registered Volunteers Breakdown by Location

Location	CSW	AARP	General Volunteers	Total #
Recreation Centers:				
Aging Well	0	0	15	15
Beach	0	0	1	1
Countryside	9	0	34	43
North Greenwood	6	0	2	8
Long Center	23	0	9	32
Ross Norton	5	0	2	7
C.I.T. & Jr. Guard	0	0	51	51
Sister Cities/Nagano	0	0	42	42
Athletics/McMullen Tennis	0	0	2	2
Moccasin Lake Nature Park	6	7	134	147
Events and Miscellaneous	0	0	6	6
Parks and Beautification	0	0	0	0
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*To become a registered volunteer, you have to have a background check. Once approved, volunteers can help out at city recreation centers and work with children. These numbers do not include the large number of volunteers who choose to help out just a few times a year at special events or beautification projects.

ADOPT-a-Park & Trail Partners

Lake Belleview Community
 SPC Applied Ethics Institute
 Krewe of Santa Margarita
 Jerry's Massage Therapy
 Delta Sigma Theta of Clearwater
 Macy's, Countryside Mall
 Top Ladies of Distinction
 Coastal Massage & Wellness
 Families for a Better Community
 DOGTEK
 Sakile #247- International OES
 Edgewater Neighborhood Assoc.
 GE Aviations, AAF Engagement
 Hilton Clearwater Beach

Clearwater Beach Rotary
 Sisters of Melchizedek #8
 Tampa Bay Disc Sports Club
 Hillcrest Garden Club
 Clearwater Beach Association

NEW THIS YEAR

Del Oro Groves Neighborhood Assoc.
 Bank of America
 UPARC, Inc.
 Island Estates Civic Association
 Largo High School's Science National
 Honor Society
 Curlew Creek Elementary



Parks/Trail Sections Adopted Before 10/1/2013	27
Non-renewal/Non-compliant	- 8
Parks/Trail Sections Adopted During Fiscal Year 2013-2014	+ 6
Total Adopted Parks as of 10/1/2014	25

Goal for New Adopted Parks/Trail Sections in 2013-2014	5
Actual Adopted Parks/Trail Sections in 2013-2014	6

GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS

The City of Clearwater Parks and Recreation Department partners with businesses, companies, teams, booster clubs, troops and service organizations to help make our special events and beautification projects successful. Here is a list of those groups:

Service Groups:

- Heritage United Methodist Church
- Dog Park Ambassadors
- St. Pete College Latinos United Club
- St. Pete College High Achievers Club
- Temple B’Nai Israel
- Goodwill of the Suncoast
- MOMS Club of Clearwater
- Capital One Work at Home
- FedEx
- Manheim
- PTEC
- Cypress Meadows Community Church
- Boys and Girls Club
- Countryside High School

Adopt a Park/Trail Groups:

- Lake Belleview Community
- SPC Applied Ethics Institute
- Krewe of Santa Margarita
- Jerry’s Massage Therapy
- Delta Sigma Theta of Clearwater
- Macy’s, Countryside Mall
- Top Ladies of Distinction
- Coastal Massage & Wellness
- Families for a Better Community

DOGTEK

- Sakile #247- International OES
- Edgewater Neighborhood Assoc.
- GE Aviations, AAF Engagement
- Hilton Clearwater Beach
- Clearwater Beach Rotary
- Sisters of Melchizedek #8
- Tampa Bay Disc Sports Club
- Hillcrest Garden Club
- Clearwater Beach Association

NEW Adopt a Park/Trail Groups:

- Del Oro Groves Neighborhood Assoc.
- Bank of America
- UPARC, Inc.
- Island Estates Civic Association
- Largo High School’s Science NHS
- Curlew Creek Elementary

Fundraising Groups:

- 727 Track and Field Inc.
- Boy Scout Troop #455
- Clearwater HS Band Boosters
- Clearwater HS Drama Boosters
- Clearwater HS Project Graduation
- Clearwater HS CAICC

- Clearwater Lady Bombers
- Countryside HS Drama Boosters
- Ye Mystic Krewe of Santa Margarita
- Heritage United Methodist Church
- American Cancer Society Relay for Life
- Vietnam Veterans of America
- Clearwater Civitan and Youth Group
- Clearwater Bullets
- Overcoming Youth Ministries
- Clearwater Jr. Tornados
- Overcoming Ministries
- Sister Cities, Inc.
- Civil Air Patrol Clearwater
- East Lake HS Drama Boosters

NEW Fundraising Groups:

- Jr. Tornados Track & Field Boosters
- Friends of the Hammock
- Pinellas County Gator Club
- Tarpon Springs HS Choral Boosters
- League of Human Voters
- Reach and Teach Ministry, Inc.
- LLS (Leukemia & Lymphoma Society)
- Apollo (Gymnastics) Booster Club
- Clearwater Family Literacy GED Program

Number of Partner Groups

Groups	#
Service Groups	14
Adopt a Park Groups	25
Event Fundraising Groups	29
Total Partner Groups	68

PROGRAM SUMMARY

The City of Clearwater Parks and Recreation Department utilizes a large volunteer workforce to help support parks and recreation programs, services, facilities, and beautification to benefit the residents and citizens of Clearwater.

- The number of volunteer hours for fiscal year 2013—2014 increased by over 5,000 hours from last year. There was an increase in volunteer hours for the following sections: Special Events and Festivals, Recreation Centers, the Aging Well Center and Moccasin Lake Nature Park.
- Due to a decrease in staff hours spent at Moccasin Lake Nature Park, per the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, the park has had to rely on volunteers to help do more of the day to day operations. The park in turn had an increase of more than 3,000 volunteer hours.
- The Aging Well Center’s total hours include the time invested by their partner agencies when they present educational, wellness, and creative programs at the center, which is at no cost to the City of Clearwater.
- The total number of community service hours stayed consistent with last year’s hours. Community service worker hours include adults and juveniles that are 16 years old and up.
- The AARP hours decreased from the previous year. Only two of the facilities were utilizing AARP workers this year, and they only utilized them during the first part of the year. MLNP decreased their use of the workers due to changes of the park’s operating hours.
- The total number of volunteer hours does not include hours worked by volunteers at City of Clearwater facilities when events and activities are being organized by an outside organization, such as the Clearwater Superboat Races, IronGirl, Festival of Trees, Tri-Rock Triathlon, Clearwater Jazz Holiday, etc.
- The Value of Volunteer time for this past year increased from \$22.14 an hour to \$22.55 an hour resulting in the total value of the volunteer time equaling \$1,021,831. Value of Volunteer Time is determined yearly by the national non-profit group The Independent Sector. \$22.55 is the most current figure for the National Value of Volunteer Time. The value is based on figures from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Fiscal Year Comparison

	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014
Volunteer Hours	36,408	35,544	31,445	34,348	42,407
Community Service Hours	2,343	1,607	1,209	1,463	1,449
AARP Hours	11,251	8,149	4,747	4,410	1,458
Total Hours	50,002	45,300	37,401	40,221	45,314
Dollar Value per Hour	\$20.85	\$21.36	\$21.79	\$22.14	\$22.55
Total Dollar Value	\$1,042,542	\$967,608	\$814,968	\$890,493	\$1,021,831