



Kane County Mounted Rangers

Are ambassadors for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County by patrolling the preserves on horseback, enhancing public safety, and representing the District in local parades and other public events.



For more information:

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Purpose of Volunteer Service in the Kane County Mounted Rangers:

To serve as an ambassador for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County by patrolling the preserves on horseback. Enhance public safety by providing information and assistance when needed. Represent the District in local parades and other public events.

Expectations:

- Commit to approximately 40 hours of volunteer time per year.
- Arrive ½ hour before patrol begins, to prepare mount and discuss route for the day.
- Notify KaneComm Dispatch upon arrival and provide a location. Call again at the end of patrol.
- Promptly notify the Mounted Rangers' president or vice president if you are unable to meet a scheduled commitment, and help to find a substitute.
- Represent the Forest Preserve District in a warm and professional manner.
- Provide suggestions for improvement of the volunteer program and/or your volunteer position.

Qualifications/Skills:

- Enjoy interaction with the general public.
- Flexibility and ability to work as a team with the Mounted Rangers and District staff.
- Willingness to learn about the various forest preserves and their amenities.
- Ability to assume a leadership role in providing information and handling emergency situations until medical personnel or District staff arrives.

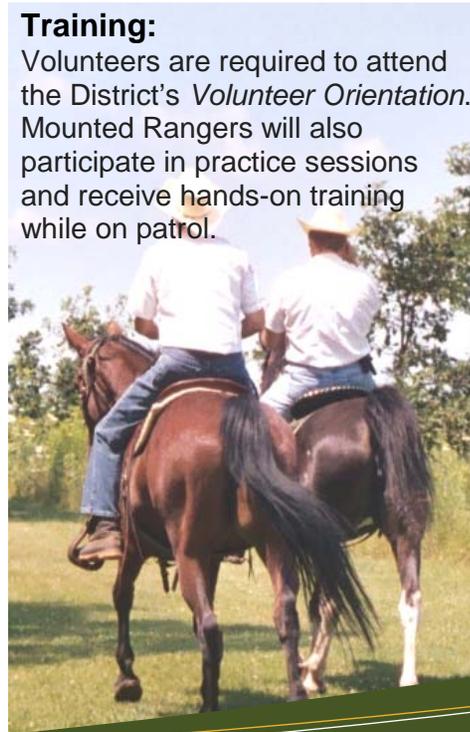


Typical Assignment:

Patrol Forest Preserve District properties monthly on horseback, and participate in parades, parking details and other special events.

Training:

Volunteers are required to attend the District's *Volunteer Orientation*. Mounted Rangers will also participate in practice sessions and receive hands-on training while on patrol.



Requirements:

- Must be 21 years old.
- Must be an experienced rider with access to a horse or mule plus transportation and western tack.
- Pay a non-refundable \$25 membership fee to the Mounted Rangers (not to the District).
- Must complete a one-year probation period after which performance is evaluated and probationary members are voted into the group.
- Mount must be safe for exposure to the public.
- Must be available on weekends and some weeknights.
- Keep track of volunteer hours and report them to the Mounted Rangers' secretary each month so the secretary can report the hours to the District's volunteer coordinator.
- Wear uniform and badge provided once the probationary period is finished.



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