



**Wilderness
Inquiry**

www.wildernessinquiry.org

Volunteer Application

Complete online or mail to:

808 14th Ave SE

Minneapolis, MN 55414

Or fax to: 612-676-9401

Overview: There is no such thing as a typical Wilderness Inquiry (WI) volunteer. No matter your skill set, WI will create a meaningful volunteer experience for you. Our pledge to you is that you get more than you give as a WI volunteer.

Time commitment: You choose what times and events work for you. Events typically range from two to four hours.

Positions available: Opportunities are sent via email and are available on WI's website.

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL INFORMATION ON PAGES 1 AND 2 OF THIS FORM

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Address: _____

Day phone: _____ / _____ **Evening phone:** _____ / _____

Email address: _____

Occupation: _____ **Employer:** _____

Briefly describe why you would like to volunteer with WI: _____

Volunteer Categories

Please check all areas that you have interest in volunteering for:

Paddling Events

- Introduce people of all abilities to paddling and outdoor activities
- Opportunities to paddle and provide paddling instruction
- Opportunities to provide other support such as registration and on shore help

Trip Assistance

- Opportunity to assist on WI trips at a reduced cost
- Provide support to participants with disabilities
- Provide technical support to staff in paddling, camp crafts, etc.

Warehouse and Gear Maintenance

- Repair canoes, kayaks and other outdoor gear
- Assist returning trips with pack-in and clean gear for next group
- Beginning of season and end of season gear maintenance

Office and Administrative

- Assist with phone answering and light clerical tasks such as filing and copying
- Help with outreach mailings
- Data entry and image scanning

- Professional Skills and Project Management
 - Writing and editing for grant proposals, web site and collateral material
 - Layout and design for collateral materials
 - IT, web design and FileMaker Pro database development
 - Photograph trips and events

- Public Speaking
 - Talk to groups about your experience on WI trips
 - Assist with trainings on integration and inclusion
 - Present WI mission and programs to community groups such as Rotary, churches, Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, etc.

- Development and fundraising
 - Provide ideas and leads for philanthropic support
 - Assist with special events (planning, phone calling, set-up etc.)
 - Assist with annual fund campaign
 - Write donor thank you notes

- Outreach Ambassador Program
 - Special program for those most passionate about WI's mission
 - Receive support to help promote and expand WI's mission in your community
 - Receive special benefits for trips and other activities

- Other
 - Let us know your special skills, talents and interests. Chances are, WI can use your expertise! _____

WI regularly has projects that require the following skills. Please check all areas where you have skill. We will contact you to discuss how you might put these skills to work.

- ___ Construction skills _____
 - ___ Apple Computer Software/Hardware _____
 - ___ Naturalist _____
 - ___ Special outdoor skills _____
 - ___ Sign Language Interpreter _____
 - ___ Certification Instructor – CPR, Advanced First Aid, Water Safety _____
 - ___ Other Please Explain: _____
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Thank you for your interest in our program--we look forward to working with you!

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