



Calling all volunteers to serve as West Vincent Township Trail Ambassadors!
Exercise, enjoy the outdoors, and help your community.

West Vincent Township is looking for eager volunteers to serve as Trail Ambassadors and help us create and maintain a new public trail system at Bryn Coed Park! The Township's new 72 acre Bryn Coed Park property, located at 1422 St. Matthews Road, was acquired in July 2018. The Park presently consists of a number of farm buildings, (most structures to be demolished in the near future), a pond, woodlands, meadow, and open fields. The park will offer the public many opportunities for enjoyment including walking, hiking, bird watching, fishing, picnicking, as well as offer a trail system for non-motorized use which will connect to the adjacent Natural Lands 500 acre preserve!

The park is not open to the public... yet. This is where we need your help. In order to establish our new trail system at the Bryn Coed Park, we are seeking Trail Ambassadors to participate in scheduled work days as organized by West Vincent Township's Parks & Recreation Commission Trail Subcommittee. Regular maintenance activities will be scheduled, managed, and overseen by West Vincent Township and the Trail Subcommittee.

Trail Ambassador Position Description & Responsibilities:

- ✓ The program is open to individuals fourteen (14) years of age or older. If you are younger than eighteen (18) years of age, you must provide a written consent of your legal guardian to participate in the program activities.
- ✓ Must sign an Acknowledgement and Release of Liability Form with West Vincent Township.
- ✓ Will participate in work days periodically for trail construction and maintenance in accordance with Trail Ambassador Guidelines, including activities such as cutting back overgrowth and pruning, clearing debris such as branches and brush, sawing, painting trail markings including blazes or other markings, and litter removal.

Trail Ambassador Program Guidelines:

- ✓ All work is to be done in accordance with PA DCNR Trail Design & Development Principles, http://www.docs.dcnr.pa.gov/cs/groups/public/documents/document/dcnr_20028130.pdf.
- ✓ Volunteers may be asked to use small tools and non-motorized and or motorized equipment used for these activities. The Trail Subcommittee Project Manager will assign these various activities appropriately in accordance with operator ability and skill level.
- ✓ In general, maintenance will involve frequent stooping, lifting, reaching, bending, carrying, and repetitive motion.
- ✓ Working conditions may involve the participate to walk across uneven terrain, grades, and in forested areas, which may present slipping and tripping hazards such as rocks and tree roots, stones or logs, mud and water, or loose gravel. Exposure to long periods of sunlight and insects is possible. We encourage the use of sunblock and insect repellent.
- ✓ We require that Trail Ambassadors bring sturdy work gloves and wear proper footwear when on assignment. Use of any equipment requiring eye or hearing protection is required.
- ✓ Individual volunteers and crews are strongly encouraged to carry cellular phones, radios, or other communication devices whenever and wherever possible in case of emergencies.
- ✓ The Trail Subcommittee Project Manager will have a first aid kit available on site.

Interested? Please include your name and contact information below. Fill out the attached Acknowledgement and Release Form, and submit to office@westvincenttp.org or drop off to the Township office at 729 St. Matthews Road, Chester Springs, PA 19425. Contact the Township office with any questions at 610-458-1601.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Home Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

West Vincent Township
Acknowledgement and Release

The undersigned has freely offered, on a voluntary basis, his/her services to assist the Township in connection with the Trail Ambassadors Program begin conducted by West Vincent Township. The undersigned specifically acknowledges that he/she is a volunteer and not an employee or subcontractor of the Township. The undersigned further acknowledges that certain dangers and risks are inherent in connection with the contemplated volunteer services. The undersigned understands the he/she is not eligible for Worker's Compensation coverage or any other benefit from the Township. The undersigned does hereby release and forever discharge West Vincent Township and its officials and employees from any and all claims, demands, or causes of action heretofore or hereafter arising or relation to his/her involvement in connection with or any damage or injury that may occur in connection with the undersigned providing volunteer services in connection with West Vincent Township.

The undersigned does hereby knowingly, voluntarily, and willingly execute this Release as of this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

IN WITNESS THEROF:

_____ Name

_____ Position/Title

_____ Date