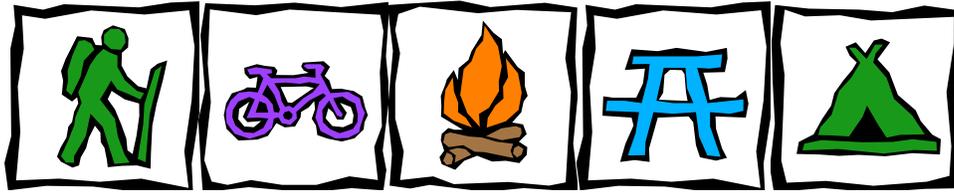


## 2013 VOLUNTEER INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



### DANIEL BOONE NATIONAL FOREST

#### Red River Gorge

10 to 14 week environmental/interpretive education interns and backcountry ranger positions available

#### WHAT IS THE RED RIVER GORGE?

The Red River Gorge is a part of the Daniel Boone National Forest. The Gorge covers over 42,000 acres of rugged terrain in the counties of Menifee, Powell, and Wolfe in eastern Kentucky. The Gorge has a federally designated wilderness, a wild & scenic river, a national scenic byway, and a national archaeological district. Every year, hundreds of thousands of visitors come to the Gorge to hike, camp, climb, and enjoy the rugged beauty of the area.

#### WHAT DOES AN ENVIRO ED/INTERPRETATION INTERN DO?

We need upbeat, friendly people interested in staffing the front desk at the Gladie Visitor Center - the main interpretation and education center on the Daniel Boone National Forest. Greeting visitors and providing excellent customer service is job one. Opportunities are also available to help with special events, education programs at campgrounds and other projects based on volunteer interests and skills. Join the team to share the many recreation opportunities available in the Red River Gorge with thousands of visitors. Recognized as a leading area for hiking, rock climbing, canoeing, kayaking, fishing, and hunting, the Red River Gorge is a unique, scenic area near Frenchburg, KY.

#### WHAT DOES A BACKCOUNTRY RANGER DO?

The Red River Gorge has volunteer backcountry rangers that perform a wide range of duties. Most volunteer interns work for 10-14 week periods during the main recreation season which is from March - November. Backcountry Rangers rehabilitate backcountry campsites, close off illegal paths and campsites, patrol the backcountry trails, meet and talk with visitors, provide information on low-impact recreation use, record visitor use, monitor archaeological sites and help maintain the trails & trailhead facilities. We are looking for people that can hike long distances in a variety of weather conditions, are outgoing and willing to talk with visitors, and can work weekends and some evenings.

#### WHAT ARE BENEFITS OF BEING A VOLUNTEER INTERN?

Interns are official U.S. Forest Service volunteers. The Forest Service will work with your school to set up internships for which you earn college credit. Experience obtained through a volunteer internship can be documented on future applications for federal employment. Training is available. A small daily stipend may be available. Free housing and/or campsites may also be available for those that need it.

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