

Trails Development Manager

Cleveland Metroparks is seeking an enthusiastic and eminently qualified candidate to plan, administer and evaluate trail programs and projects. The individual selected will join hundreds of like-minded employees dedicated to *conservation, education and recreation*, in support of the "Emerald Necklace", an open space of natural beauty and diversity. This is a newly created opportunity to expand the trail network in one of the finest park districts in the United States. The position serves as the Park District's manager for planning and development of new trails and trail additions.

Cleveland Metroparks was established on July 23, 1917 to provide open space for the people of Greater Cleveland, as well as to conserve and preserve the natural valleys of the area. Today, Cleveland Metroparks consists of more than 22,000 acres of land in 16 reservations, 8 golf courses, over 100 miles of parkways, and the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo. It is a multiple winner of the AAPRA/NRPA Gold Medal Award. Cleveland Metroparks is a five (5) time winner of the prestigious NorthCoast 99 Award. NorthCoast 99 is an annual recognition program that honors 99 great workplaces for top talent in Northeast Ohio.

The Park District offers an array of facilities and opportunities such as cross country skiing, hundreds of miles of trails (Bridal, hiking, physical fitness, mountain bike, and all purpose trails), fishing, picnicking, golfing, swimming, hiking, winter recreation including tobogganing, wildlife areas, outdoor education, and a wide variety of special events and programs.

Located on the shore of Lake Erie, Cleveland is a great place to live, work, and play. It's one that is a must-see destination for tourists and a powerful force in the world economy. Cleveland and the Northeast Ohio region have best-in-class assets, attractions and opportunities and an alluring quality of life. It's one that has four million diverse residents and an enviable lifestyle and a \$140 billion economy. It's one that has a rich history of civic involvement philanthropy. Medical care is world class.

The qualifications one must possess for Trails Development Manager include a Bachelor's degree in one of the following disciplines: environmental science, ecology, landscape architecture, recreation, park and recreation management, biological sciences, transportation planning, or related discipline, from an accredited college or university. The qualified candidate will have a minimum of three years experience in all aspects of trail building: planning, project management, and verifiable experience in supervising construction crews and volunteers. Strong verbal and written communication skills are necessary as the Trails Coordinator will make presentations to local planning commissions, Cleveland Metroparks Board of Park Commissioners and the general public and stakeholders. Additionally, s/he will serve as liaison with trail user and citizen advisory groups. Preferred are a trail certificate from U.S. Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Forestry Service and designation as a Certified Prescribed Fire Manager. Must be willing to work weekends and attend evening meetings.

The salary range for the Trails Development Manager position is \$47,000 – \$70,000. The position is open until filled.

A detailed job posting can be accessed at www.clemetparks.com/aboutus/employment/hr_fulltime.asp Cleveland Metroparks invites applications to the position of Trails Development Manager. Please provide with your résumé, a cover letter referencing position #11095 and describing how your background aligns with all the position qualifications. Email your résumé to resumes@clevelandmetroparks.com

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