

Polk County Conservation

Stewardship



Volunteer Stewards/Co-Stewards are individuals who work independently or have the opportunity to lead other volunteers on scheduled workdays. Stewards also have the freedom to work according to their own schedule or set up events in the park or along the trail of their choice. These individuals receive training and are also provided all the tools necessary to carry out stewardship duties.

Duties mainly focus on natural resource enhancements in our natural areas such as invasive species control, wildlife/insect surveys, wildlife restoration, prairie and wetland seed harvests and restoration, etc.

Stewardship opportunities are available in all of our parks and trails. A full list of PCC maintained areas is available under the Parks & Trails tab on the website. Fill out and submit a Volunteer Application Form to Pat Spain at pat.spain@polkcountyiowa.gov or Melissa Schmeling at melissa.schmeling@polkcountyiowa.gov