



# PARKS

**Your Big Backyard**



**Volunteer Event Information North Shorewood Park, October 10<sup>th</sup> 10am-2pm**  
**Please contact Lina Rose to sign up – [lina.rose@kingcounty.gov](mailto:lina.rose@kingcounty.gov), 206.491.5014**

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## King County Parks

King County's award-winning Parks and Recreation Division offers 175 miles of regional trails, 180 miles of hiking trails and 26,000 acres-worth of recreational experiences for every interest! In our 200 parks, you'll find ballfields, playgrounds and pools, as well as lush forests, quiet meadows, and many other Northwest ecosystems.

## Why your Volunteer Service is Important

Forests need to have diversity in order to be healthy and thrive. When forests are thriving, they can provide many benefits to our community like filtering pollution, mitigating erosion and storm damage and providing habitat for wildlife and green spaces where people can connect with nature and the outdoors. Aggressive noxious weeds like English Ivy and Himalayan Blackberry were brought to this area and planted by for their desirable characteristics of staying green all year round or tasty fruits. These plants have upset the balance that our forests need to survive and thrive. Removing these aggressive plants and planting native plants can help restore the balance to a damaged ecosystem.

## What to Expect

Event will begin with a discussion that includes information about King County Parks, the park that you are serving in, why this work is important and tool use and safety. King County will supply work gloves, a jug of water, light snacks, all instruction and tools. Young people under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Any minors attending the event without a parent or legal guardian must also bring a signed youth waiver to event in order to participate. Please plan to arrive on time for the start of the event and allow extra time to find parking. Valuable information about the park and instruction on the project is given at the start of the event and it is important for all volunteers to be present. Our project for the day is planting and removing invasive plants from the area of the park surrounding the grassy field. We will start at 10, take a short lunch break at noon and then continue working till 2pm.

## What to Bring

Our events run rain or shine so please arrive prepared for the weather. We want you to enjoy your time with us!

- Layers of warm clothing that can get dirty.  
Jeans or thick pants are ideal, stretchy leggings, shorts or capris are not recommended
- Rain jacket and rain pants
- Closed-toed shoes are essential. Sturdy sneakers, rain boots or hiking boots are ideal
- Full water bottle
- Lunch and snacks

**Directions From 509 – Please do not use GPS or Google Maps alone to navigate to parks. If you use GSP, please double check against this map and/or these directions to ensure the GSP is sending you to the correct meeting spot.**

We will meet at the main entrance to park on 24<sup>th</sup>. Closest cross streets are: SW 102nd St and 24th Ave SW (From Seattle)

Get off 509 at the Myers Way/White Center exit. Merge onto 1<sup>st</sup> Av S. Slight Right onto Olson Pl SW. Turn right onto Roxbury. Turn left onto 24<sup>th</sup> Av Sw. Park will be on your left after 24<sup>th</sup> av SW intersects SW 100<sup>th</sup> St.

(From south)

Get off 509 at the Cloverdale exit. Take a left at the light to merge onto 1<sup>st</sup> Ave S. Slight Right onto Olson Pl SW. Turn right onto Roxbury. Turn left onto 24<sup>th</sup> Av Sw. Park will be on your left after 24<sup>th</sup> Ave SW intersects SW 100<sup>th</sup> St.

