**Community engagement coordinators** serve as liaisons for grassroots groups to NYC Parks & CPF, connecting community partners to project tools and supplies, learning and networking opportunities; and helping with event permits and planning.

Managing 1,400 *It’s My Park* hands-on service projects including painting, planting, weeding, and cleaning.

Offering skill-building workshops and coaching to support leadership and organizational development.

Free design services for volunteer recruitment materials.

Facilitating regular communications inbound, outbound, and between groups to support and share information.

Organizational infrastructure support including shared resources and referrals, such as HR, finance, purchasing, and other management needs.

Facilitating sector reform by funding work that builds awareness for the need for adequate public support and for changes that improve operations.

Fiscal sponsorship and grant-making through the NYC Green Fund (see reverse for details).

Interested in getting involved? Please contact Partnershipsforparks@parks.nyc.gov
The NYC Green Fund is a grant-making program that is administered by City Parks Foundation and funded by private foundations, individuals, and corporations.

Originally created as an emergency COVID response, the NYC Green Relief & Recovery Fund helped keep parks and open spaces open and available to the public during a time of unprecedented use and need. Between May 2020, at the fund’s launch, and the spring of 2023, at its sunset, thanks to the generous support of nearly 20 institutional donors, the Fund distributed over $8.6 million across all five boroughs through:
• 325 micro-grants made to volunteer-run organizations;
• 184 grants made to open-space nonprofits;
• 26 grants awarded for systems change efforts.

Relaunched in 2023 as a longer term effort to expand support for volunteer and nonprofit stewardship activities in parks and open spaces across the city, the NYC Green Fund aims to raise and redistribute $25 million over five years through three re-granting opportunities, coalition building work, and related technical assistance:
• Grassroots Grants: multi-year grants of up to $40K for groups with annual budgets between $0-$175K;
• Grassstops Grants: multi-year grants of up to $50K for groups with annual budgets of $175K-$2.5 million;
• Innovation Grants: multi-year grants of up to $150K towards projects to support innovation, systemic change, and coalition building.

The grant program removes barriers to access by offering pre-application consultations and training, easy-to-complete applications, and multi-year support. The NYC Green Fund will support volunteer and nonprofit-planned stewardship, environmental action, organizational capacity building, youth development, health and wellness, and arts and culture programming. Grant decisions will prioritize equity by focusing on communities affected by environmental injustice.

Interested in contributing to the NYC Green Fund? Please contact Billy Fidler at bfidler@cityparksfoundation.org or visit www.cityparksfoundation.org