Jackson County Roads and Parks

Community Profile

Population 203,206
Location White City

Position Description

Sponsor Jackson County Roads and Parks Departments
Supervisor Jenna Stanke
Bicycle/Pedestrian/Trains Program Manager

Assignment Jackson County government strives to provide outstanding public service. We have been on the cutting-edge of local governments with our efforts for strategic planning, award-winning financial planning, budgeting and record keeping, and citizen involvement. Jackson County Roads Department is dedicated to professional managing and maintaining an efficient and cost effective transportation system which improves the quality of life for the greater community and for future generations. The Jackson County Parks program operates eighteen County Parks and provides opportunities for enjoyment of many recreational activities.

The RARE participant placed with Jackson County Roads and Parks will work with County staff to develop and implement a volunteer-based trail management program. Specifically, the participant will develop a handbook of policies that incorporates leadership, maintenance, security, marketing, outreach, fundraising, and other necessary components. Additionally, the participant will work with representatives from the Rouge Valley Transit District to develop and implement a series of events that promote alternatives to driving. Lastly, the participant will assist in revising the Bear Creek Greenway Management Plan.

RARE Participant

Kelsi Kruger grew up in Randle, Washington. She received a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Studies with a science focus from Linfield College located in McMinnville, Oregon. As a student, she was employed as a research assistant for the Environmental Studies Department and the primary author of a research poster at the 2011 Urban Ecology Research Consortium Conference. Additionally, she spent a semester in Ecuador studying ecology, evolution, and Spanish. Following her year of service with the RARE Program, Kelsi plans on applying for the Peace Corps.