

## Who we are:

The Department of Environment and Conservation exists to enhance the quality of life for citizens of Tennessee and to be stewards of our natural environment.

Our Department is committed to providing a cleaner, safer environment that goes hand-in-hand with economic prosperity and increased quality of life in Tennessee. We deliver on our mission through managing regulatory programs that maintain standards for air, water and soil quality while providing assistance to businesses and communities in areas ranging from recreation to waste management. We manage the state park system and programs to inventory, interpret and protect Tennessee's rich natural, historical, and archaeological heritage.

## About the Tennessee State Parks

From its beginning in 1937, Tennessee State Parks were established to protect and preserve the unique natural, cultural, and historic resources of Tennessee. The public interest has also been served by a variety of benefits for citizens and communities produced by our state park system, promoting stronger communities and healthier citizens across the state through diverse resource-based recreation while conserving the natural environment for today and tomorrow – preserving authentic Tennessee places and spaces for future generations to enjoy. As stewards of the resources in our parks, we seek to manage Tennessee's state parks in order to preserve and protect valued resources and to provide a balance of services and benefits for the enjoyment of the people.

## Mission Statement:

To provide professional, effective management and stewardship of the park and all its resources; present compelling interpretation of the park's story and resources; provide opportunities for safe enjoyable outdoor and recreational experiences to all park visitor; provide a safe and inspiring workplace for all park employees and volunteers; manage all park operations to be as efficient and cost effective as possible; and to partner with local community leaders to bring a positive economic impact to the area surrounding the park.



## Park Ranger 1 Cumberland Trail State Park Annual Salary Range: \$36,636 – \$58,620

Are you looking for an opportunity to work with Tennessee State Parks? Our Tennessee State Parks are among the most beautiful parks in the United States. We have outstanding opportunities to work in a beautiful work environment. This position is located at Cumberland Trail State Park in Caryville, TN. The Park is Tennessee's only linear state park spanning 11 counties from Cumberland Gap, on the Tennessee, Virginia, and Kentucky border to the Tennessee River Gorge on the Tennessee, Alabama, and Georgia Border.

This position has a variety of responsibilities including the requirement of a candidate to have a flexible work schedule, including the ability to work evenings, weekends and holidays. The preferred candidate will be comfortable working with diverse guests of the park, interacting with a variety of wildlife, and enjoy interpretive programming. To be considered for this position you must have a bachelor's degree, preferred degrees in History, Parks and Recreation Management, or Biology. It is also a requirement that the candidate be a state commissioned officer recognized by the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy or is willing to become commissioned. To apply for this position: <https://www.tn.gov/careers>.

## Highlighted Responsibilities:

- Manage assigned operations responsibilities and assist with management of all park operations and visitor services.
- Assist with community outreach programs and partner with local businesses and area officials to promote the park and impact economic development.
- Supervises Seasonal Interpretive Recreators in their provision of programs. Provide necessary training to support their work.
- Conduct interpretive programs to educate the public. Interpret historical park information to present to visitors and staff.
- Conduct and approve performance evaluations for assigned subordinates.
- Participate in emergency search and rescue operations.
- Assist with the implementation of the Tennessee State Park Safety Program.

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