

## **Beach Deck Maintenance Volunteer**

### **Job Description**

Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore has over 35 miles of Lake Michigan beaches on the mainland as well as many inland lakes and other facilities that Park visitors use daily. We are committed to making our beaches, trails, picnic areas, and amenities more accessible to people of all abilities.

It is often difficult for visitors with limited mobility to use our beaches, so the Friends of Sleeping Bear Dunes purchased a beach deck with a hardened surface, which is installed at the Cannery Beach in Glen Haven. This beach deck requires regular minor maintenance to brush off sand from the surface and to fill in holes in the sand at the edge of the deck. We encourage visitors and Cannery volunteers to brush off sand, but it is important to have someone checking regularly.

The volunteer will coordinate their schedule with the Accessibility Coordinator.

### **Duties of the Accessibility Track Chair Program Volunteer include:**

- Assess the condition of the beach deck at least once per week. Coordinate your schedule with the Accessibility Coordinator.
- Use the broom provided to remove sand from the surface of the deck.
- Use the shovel provided to fill in sand at the edge of the deck, so there is no drop-off at the edge of the deck.
- Visit with Park visitors and explain the purpose of the beach deck and our commitment to improving accessibility in the Park.
- Report volunteer hours via the Friends web site: [www.friendsofsleepingbear.org](http://www.friendsofsleepingbear.org).

### **Required Experience or Abilities**

Ability to shovel sand or broom sand off the deck  
Communication skills

### **Required Training**

Provided by Friends of Sleeping Bear Dunes

### **Time Commitment**

Less than 1 hour per beach deck visit.