C & O Canal Association

Concerned with the conservation of the natural and historical environment of the C & O Canal and the Potomac River Basin

Join our nonprofit association and become a Level Walker! Benefits include: a quarterly newsletter; participation in hikes, bicycle rides, nature walks and canoe trips; service programs, including the Level Walkers, Volunteers-In-Park, and Invasive Plant controls, opportunities to learn about and promote the value of the C & O Canal National Historical Park.

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What are Level Walkers?

Level Walkers are members of the Level Walker Program, a volunteer arm of the C&O Canal Association. They must be:

- Members of the C&O Canal Association
- Willing and able to carry out Level Walker duties

Level Walkers are assigned to a level of the C&O Canal by the Level Walker chairperson, taking into consideration the walker’s preferences for the length of the level, the area where the level is located, and special interests.

What is a Canal Level?

For the purposes of the Level Walker Program, the 184.5 miles of the canal have been divided into 69 segments, varying in length from a little over a mile to more than 5 miles, but usually 2-3 miles long. These segments are called levels.

What do Level Walkers do?

1. Walk the assigned level a minimum of once a year, but ideally 3-4 times a year, or seasonally.
2. Assist in litter pickup and other light maintenance along the level.
3. Submit a written report in a timely manner after each walk. The report includes data on human usage, and comments on flora and fauna, the conditions of the level and canal structures, and the quantity of litter.

Level Walker reports may be submitted to the Level Walker chair by regular mail or e-mail. The reports are the basis for the Level Walker chair’s report at board meetings and the Annual meeting. In addition, they are summarized in the Association’s quarterly newsletter, Along the Towpath, and copies of them are sent to the Park Superintendent and kept in the Association’s archives.

For more information contact:

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Level Walker Application

NAME:___________________________
ADDRESS:________________________
CITY:____________________________
STATE:______________ZIP:____________
HOME PHONE:_____________________
CELL PHONE:_______________________
Please include area codes.
E-MAIL:__________________________

Is there a certain level or area of the towpath you would like to walk?

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How far are you willing to travel to reach your level?

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Please provide at least one form of phone or email contact. Submit requested information by:

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