

Put your skills behind a mission.

Skills & Leadership Guide • find a useful way to help MGA

Mountain & Gulf Alliance is building its foundation for disaster recovery and habitat preservation in Florida. Your experience, practical skills and local relationships could help turn plans into the capacity needed for responsible service.

Path	A potential contribution
Skilled volunteering	Planning, coordination, communications, logistics, technology, finance or other practical support.
Governance interest	Experience that could strengthen financial oversight, fundraising, risk management, operations or nonprofit governance.
Community connections	An introduction to relevant expertise, a local organization, space, equipment or a potential project partner.

Choose a realistic starting point

- What can you do well, and what evidence or experience shows it?
- How much time can you offer reliably? Is it a one-time task or ongoing service?
- Where are you based, and do you need a remote or local role?
- What part of recovery, habitat work or organizational readiness interests you?

Prepare a short introduction

I can help with [skill or connection]. My relevant experience is [brief summary]. I am based in [city/state] and can offer [availability]. I am interested in [volunteer / governance / partnership] service.

Send your introduction to info@mountaingulfalliance.org. You can also explore current information at mountaingulfalliance.org/volunteer/.

MGA is new. Opportunities depend on actual needs, approved roles, training and resources. An interest form does not authorize a field assignment.

Good service starts with clear expectations.

A short guide to fit, preparation and responsible participation.

If you are exploring volunteer service

Share your skills, availability and preferred contribution. MGA can review possible fit as needs develop. Any field activity requires an approved assignment, appropriate training, safe access and any role-specific screening or credentials. Do not self-deploy on MGA's behalf.

If you are exploring board service

Be ready to discuss relevant expertise, realistic time commitment, potential conflicts and your understanding of nonprofit oversight. Board members help steward the organization and its mission; the role involves more than lending a name.

MGA reviews candidates against current governance needs and its governing documents. An application, gift or introduction does not guarantee appointment. Advisory or volunteer service may be a more useful fit for some candidates.

If you are making an introduction

Ask the other person's permission before sharing contact details. Explain why the connection matters: a relevant skill, a place to store equipment, local knowledge or a potential partner. A specific introduction is more useful than a large list of unrelated contacts.

What to bring to the first conversation

- A short experience summary or professional profile.
- Your practical availability and preferred type of contribution.
- Questions about responsibilities, supervision, safety and the next step.
- Any relationship or outside interest that could create a conflict for the proposed role.

Start with your skills.

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