

# New York Almanack

## Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance Hiring First Employee

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The [Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance](#) has been awarded a \$50,000 matching grant over a two-year period from the Environmental Protection Fund's Park and Trail Partnership Grants program to expand the organization's reach by hiring a Member Services Manager, the organization's first employee.

The Alliance operates the Lake George Battlefield Park Visitor Center. This year the Visitor Center is expanding its array of artifacts and exhibits that help tell [the story of the Lake George Battlefield](#) and surrounding areas' importance during the [French & Indian War](#) and the [American Revolution](#).

The new position will promote awareness of the park through marketing, fundraising, and the continued operation of the highly popular Lake George Battlefield Park Visitor Center, which opened to the public in 2022. The Alliance will contribute an additional \$10,000 over the course of the grant.

The grant is one of 28 awards totaling \$1.8 million (the highest amount awarded in the Park and Trail Partnership Grant program's eight-year history) for organizations dedicated to the stewardship and promotion of New York's state parks and historic sites, trails, and public lands. The grants will be matched with private and local funding and will support projects to strengthen Friends groups and enhance public access and recreational opportunities.

Friends groups such as the Alliance — nonprofit organizations often made up entirely of volunteers — are essential to the stewardship and promotion of the state park system. These groups raise private funds for capital projects, perform maintenance tasks, provide educational programming, and promote public use through hosting special events.

The Park and Trail Partnership Grants are administered by Parks & Trails New York, a statewide non-profit organization, in partnership with the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation.

The Lake George Battlefield Park Alliance offers a free one-hour guided tour of the Park's history each Saturday at 11 am. The tours start from the Visitor Center. Pre-registration is required and can be completed by emailing [info@lakegeorgebattlefield.org](mailto:info@lakegeorgebattlefield.org).

The Lake George Battlefield Park Visitor Center is located at 75 Fort George Road, [Lake George](#), on the lower level of the Lake George Park Commission's headquarters. The Center will be open Friday through Sunday from 10 am to 4 pm, plus on the Memorial Day holiday. It will expand to a five-day per week schedule beginning July 1st.