Position Title: Assistant Reef Bay GuideAgency: Friends of Virgin Islands National ParkPosition Type: Part-time, not to exceed 15 hours per week
Pay Rate: $20 to $24 per hour, depending on experience.
Start Date: January 2025

**Job Summary:** The Assistant Reef Bay Guide (ARBG) will support Virgin Islands National Park’s Interpretive Rangers in the implementation of the Reef Bay Hike program. In coordination with the Park Rangers, the ARBG will operate within the framework of the Program Plan to engage guests in guided hikes highlighting the natural and cultural history of the Virgin Islands. A combination of requisite online and in-person training will be provided by Virgin Islands National Park. This hybrid role will be co-managed by the NPS and the Friends, therefore the incumbent will report to both the NPS’ Chief of Interpretation and the Friends Program Director.

**Hike Summary:** The Reef Bay Hike is a collaboration between the NPS and Friends of VI National Park. Park Rangers lead this guided hike down Reef Bay Trail and to the petroglyphs every Monday and Tuesday from January to the end of June. A maximum of 30 visitors and 2 guides (NPS Ranger and the Assistant Reef Bay Guide) depart from the NPS Visitor Center in Cruz Bay via taxi at 8:45am and reach the Reef Bay Trailhead around 9am. Upon completion of the program, the guides and hike participants board a boat for transportation back to Cruz Bay. The group should arrive in Cruz Bay no later than 1pm.

**Primary Responsibilities:**

1. **Reef Bay Hike**
	* Work with Virgin Islands National Park’s interpretive team to provide guided Reef Bay Hikes that meet current standards of excellence in audience-centered participatory interpretation.
2. **Supplies and Equipment:**
	* Ensure that there are adequate types and quantities of equipment for providing medical assistance in case of an emergency, including a well-stocked First Aid Kit and extra drinking water.
	* Coordinate with the Program Director for the repair, replacement, or purchase of needed supplies or equipment.
3. **Reporting:**
	* Ensure that all participants complete a liability waiver.
	* Submit timesheets for payment every 2 weeks.
	* Share videos, photos, and success stories with NPS and Friends Communications Director.
	* Report any injuries, regardless of severity and/or any altercations with or between participants or park visitors to the Friends Program Director.

**Desired Qualifications:**

* Knowledge of Virgin Islands history, culture, and biota.
* Ability to walk up to 6 miles on uneven terrain while carrying a 20lb backpack.
* Desire to learn and implement audience-centered interpretive techniques.

Applicants should send a resume and cover letter to Mark Gestwicki at mgestwicki@friendsvinp.org.