

Position Title: Park Store Education Specialist **Agency:** Friends of Virgin Islands National Park

Location: St. John, US Virgin Islands

Position Type: Part-time, 10-30 hours per week
Rate of Pay: \$18-\$24 per hour (based on experience)

Projected Start Date: August 2025

Summary: The Education Specialist's principal responsibility is to connect St. John's visitors and residents with the natural and cultural resources of Virgin Islands National Park (VIIS) and to share the mission of the Friends of Virgin Islands National Park (Friends). The Education Specialist does this by engaging visitors in the VIIS Visitor Center and the Park Store, open Monday through Thursday, 8:15am-4pm and Friday from 8:15am to 1:30pm.

Utilizing products in the Park Store and information available in the Visitors Center, as well as Friends led-educational activities such as the Reef Bay Hike, the Education Specialist helps inform park visitors about trails, beaches and historic sites.

The Education Specialist also promotes good stewardship and promotes best practices for the responsible and safe enjoyment of the park's natural and cultural resources. The position reports to the Friends' Store Manager, and collaborates with the VIIS Interpretative Division team, as well as the Friends Education & Outreach Program Manager.

Principal Responsibilities:

- Welcome visitors to the VIIS Visitors Center and Park Store
- Share the mission & role of the Friends of VINP
- Assist customers with making store purchases
- Assist the Store Manager with pricing, restocking, and merchandising
- Collaborate with VIIS Interpretative Division to ensure messaging aligns with the park mission, programs and specific initiatives
- Participate in Friends events such as the Power Swim and Earth Day
- Assist with the Reef Bay Hike

Preferred Skills:

 Passionate and knowledgeable about Virgin Islands National Park and Coral Reef National Monument and its resources

- Proficient public speaker with strong communication skills and ability to engage both children and adults
- Ability to hike the Reef Bay Trail
- Resident of the Virgin Islands for 2 or more years

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Please send a cover letter (describing your interest and qualifications) and resume to Jennifer Stone at info@friendsvinp.org

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