



Docents & Volunteers Needed

The City of Oroville Museum **Docents** have many responsibilities including staffing the various museums. They act as tour-guides and interact with visitors to insure that they have a memorable experience. They collect admission fees, staff the gifts shops, update records, and assist with special projects. Docents are asked to work two periods of 4 hours each per month ... but may work more if desired. Docents truly are AMBASSADORS to all who visit the City museums. They are also the life blood of making the museums work!

Volunteers assist with City of Oroville events and in the parks, open spaces, and trails with clean-up of trash, landscape maintenance, and gardening.

Interested? For more information please call (530) 538-2429



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A BIT OF HISTORY ABOUT THE CITY OF OROVILLE DOCENT & VOLUNTEER PROGRAM...

The Docent Program began in 1984 by Jim Carpenter, who was the Director of Parks & Trees. He asked Nancy Price, the new part-time Museum Curator and Jan Clay, a founding member of the Friends of the Parks, to get the program going by finding volunteers and training them to work in the museums. In 1984 the City only owned two museums, the C.F. Lott Home and the Chinese Temple & Museum Complex.

When the City paid museum hostesses had their two days off each week, the Docents main job was to keep the museums open. Their other duty was to conduct tours as scheduled by the City. Each Docent, then, as now was committed to work two periods (4 hours) each month. The obligation has not changed, but the duties have expanded and the need for volunteers increased with the City now having five museums plus a special collection.

The Volunteer Program officially began in 2016 at the request of citizens seeking to lend a hand to the City of Oroville in parks, open space, and trail areas of the City.

