



Clean Water Ambassador Application

NWI Good Neighbor Septic System Outreach Program

Indiana Department of Natural Resources Lake Michigan Coastal Program / Save the Dunes



The NWI Clean Waters - Good Neighbor Septic System Outreach Program, managed by the Indiana DNR Lake Michigan Coastal Program (LMCP) and Save the Dunes, is seeking applications for the role of Clean Water Ambassador. Ambassadors must have a septic system and live year-round in their community. Ambassadors will participate in two trainings with LMCP/Save the Dunes, receive and distribute outreach materials, and conduct four trainings over a two year period. A small stipend will be received upon completion of community trainings and satisfactory completion of associated tasks.

SECTION I: PERSONAL INFORMATION

FIRST NAME		LAST NAME		
ADDRESS		CITY	STATE	ZIP
EMAIL ADDRESS		PHONE NUMBER		
Do you own a septic system?		Do you live in your community year round?		
COMMUNITY:		COUNTY:		
I am applying to become an Ambassador because:				

SECTION II: PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

OCCUPATION
RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT / VOLUNTEER WORK / COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT / ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

SECTION II: PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE (cont.)

I believe this experience will help me be successful as a Ambassador because:

Some of the qualities I possess that would make me a good Ambassador include:

Please provide an example of a significant interaction you have had with a neighbor, community leader, or community member on issues that impacted your community:

SECTION III: SEPTIC SYSTEM HOMEOWNER EXPERIENCE

As the owner of a septic system in Northwest Indiana, one of the biggest issues I have encountered with my system is:

I dealt with this issue by: *(You may choose more than one answer)*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Calling my local health department | <input type="checkbox"/> Having my system inspected |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Calling a certified professional | <input type="checkbox"/> Having my system pumped |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fixing it myself | <input type="checkbox"/> Waiting for it to go away |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altering my behavior until my system could "catch up" | <input type="checkbox"/> Regular maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Using septic system additives | <input type="checkbox"/> Replacing components of/the whole system |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

SECTION III: SEPTIC SYSTEM HOMEOWNER EXPERIENCE (cont.)

If I had to give my neighbors one piece of advice about their septic systems, it would be:

I believe it is important for residents of Northwest Indiana to take care of their septic systems because:

As a Clean Water Ambassador, I understand that I will have to participate in periodic trainings, meetings, record-keeping, and other activities; maintain regular communication with my neighbors and Save the Dunes and LMCP staff; act as an advocate for proper septic system maintenance and care; become familiar with local water quality issues, septic system function, and maintenance and care resources.

I also understand that, upon meeting certain performance goals, and to LMCP and Save the Dunes' satisfaction, I will qualify for a stipend for my work as an Ambassador.

Signature

Date

Please complete this application in its entirety and submit to:

cleanwaterambassador@savedunes.org

Or mail to:

Save the Dunes
444 Barker Road
Michigan City, IN 46360

Positions opened until filled