

**American Hiking Society**  
**Volunteer Programs Committee Charge**

American Hiking Society's (AHS) three on-the-ground programs, National Trails Day (NTD), Volunteer Vacations (VV), and Alternative Break (AB), help meet AHS's Mission and strategic goals. They are self-sustaining as they are funded by corporate sponsors, the Federal government, and registration fees.

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**Charge:**

- Provide strategic guidance to the Board of Directors by:
  - Advising how other Committees can support AHS volunteer programs.
  - Brainstorming ways Board members can get more involved in AHS's programs and recruiting board members for that purpose.
  - Helping to ensure that programming is directly aligned with AHS's mission and Strategic Plan.
- Act as a resource to AHS Staff by:
  - Brainstorming ideas when solicited by staff.
  - Providing advice.
  - Helping to unlock resource constraints by bringing in funding from:
    - Corporate sponsors
    - Federal government
    - Registration fees

**Membership**

- At least two at-large members, only one of which must be a current Board Member.
- Up to 3 non-board members, such as NTD, VV, AB hosts, crew leaders, current or former NextGen Trail Leaders, agency partners, or brand partners.
- Staff liaison.

**Meetings**

Meetings shall be scheduled as necessary. Minutes shall be kept of all meetings. A majority of members (present either in person, telephonically, or via video conference) shall suffice as a quorum, and a majority vote of such members present shall be necessary for action on agenda items.