



Position: Diverse Engagement Intern

Duration: January 2018 – June 2018

Hours: Approximately 5-10hours/week, not to exceed 150 hours total

Compensation: \$15/hour

The Organization:

The Sandy River Basin Watershed Council is composed of people who live, work or recreate in the Sandy River Basin as well as organizations that have an interest in the area. The watershed council is a partnership: individuals and organizations work cooperatively to improve the health of the watershed for fish, wildlife and people. We plan and implement habitat restoration projects at high priority sites on rivers and creeks, and engage volunteers, community groups and youth in planting and other restoration activities. The Council office is located on the Mt Hood Community College (MHCC) campus in Gresham and partners with the college on campus related salmon restoration and community engagement projects.

Position Summary:

Help us connect people to the watershed by recruiting volunteers for plantings, cleanups, and other events. The intention of this position is to increase the Council's capacity to engage the diversity of populations who live in, near, and visit the watershed. The Diverse Engagement Intern will support spring events including winter plantings and events on the MHCC campus such as ivy removal, Earth Day Cleanup, Sandy River Delta Ecoblitz and a Depave event to kick-off the MHCC Clean Water Retrofit in June. At least two of these events (the Delta Planting and EcoBlitz) will be bilingual in English and Spanish. Depending on the candidate, the intern may support existing partnerships and build new ones to increase diverse recruitment and improve cultural relevance of events. Schedule is flexible.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Collaborate with staff to develop a diverse outreach strategy
- Connect with existing and potential partners to broaden outreach effort
- Promote events via flyers, social media, online calendars, and other marketing strategies
- Attend events and support event implementation
- Lead groups in planting, trash pick up, ivy removal, etc. at events (depending on comfort level)
- Communicate schedule and activities with staff
- Other tasks as needed

Preferred Qualifications:

- Willing to take initiative
- Good communication and follow through
- Basic computer skills (email, Word, or other program for making flyers)
- Comfortable communicating with the public
- Background knowledge in natural resources and/or interest in learning
- Ability to work on uneven terrain, and use hand tools for planting/invasive plant removal

- Preferably bilingual in Spanish and English
- MHCC student or local resident preferred
- Able to work the following Saturdays: February 3rd*, February 24th, May 12th* and June 2nd or 9th, TBD
*Highest priority days

Learning and Benefits:

This position provides exposure to working in a small non-profit environment in natural resources and volunteer engagement. The intern will develop skills and knowledge in outreach and recruitment, basic vegetation management strategies, naturalist inventory, and urban stormwater management strategies. Networking opportunities with multiple agencies and partners will be available. Help us increase the number of people who know about and get to enjoy the beauty of the watershed!

To Apply:

Please submit either:

- 1) A resume and cover letter to Sara Ennis via email sara@sandyriver.org or mailed to:
26000 SE Stark St. GE Annex Gresham OR 97030
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- 2) Fill out the volunteer form online, <http://sandyriver.org/get-involved/become-a-volunteer-form/> Be sure to include your relevant experience and interest in this position.

Applications may be submitted in Spanish or English.

Application deadline: Tuesday January 2nd, 2018.

Questions? Preguntas? Contact Sara Ennis, Community Stewardship Coordinator, sara@sandyriver.org or (971) 325-4224. Hablo español.

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