



Summer Job with EYA

Job Title: Crew Leader, Youth Habitat Crew

Hours: 35 hrs/wk

Dates: June 28 - Sep 3 (10 weeks)

Wages: \$19 per hour

What we do

The Environmental Youth Alliance (EYA) engages BIPOC and youth facing barriers to become environmental stewards. Through EYA's free land-based education and employment training programs, youth grow native plants and create gardens that help birds, bees, and other wildlife survive in Vancouver's urban neighbourhoods. To find out more visit <http://www.eya.ca>

What you'll do in this job

Are you ready to step into a leadership role? Do you have good communication skills? Are you organized and good at teamwork? With help from EYA staff, the Crew Leader will lead the Youth Habitat Crew -- a team of 5-6 youth responsible for maintaining wildlife habitat and improving EYA's outdoor programming sites in East Vancouver parks this summer.

This job is open to youth ages 18 - 25. EYA prioritizes applications from people who identify as Indigenous, Black, People of Colour, LGBTQ2S, living with a disability, and others with lived experience of oppression. We encourage you to self-identify in your application.

Responsibilities

With support from the EYA Stewardship Manager, you will:

- Co-supervise a small team of 3-4 youth crew members
- Plan & communicate weekly work schedule and tasks for crew members
- Support and motivate crew members to complete work
- Teach crew members about wildlife and habitat gardening
- Maintain and improve EYA's plant medicine gardens and wildlife habitat areas - weeding, watering, and planting
- Help with habitat restoration along Still Creek
- Complete small carpentry and construction projects to improve EYA's garden sites
- Remove blackberry, English ivy, and other invasive species
- Plant native plants and trees that support wildlife
- Build and install bird nesting boxes
- Purchase tools and materials

- Connect with other organizations in the community
- Make weekly social media posts
- Ensure safe work practices are followed - e.g. safe use of gardening tools and Covid-19 protocols
- Develop your leadership skills & gain valuable work experience

Skills & requirements

- Experience leading/supervising volunteers or small teams
- Experience with wildlife gardening and habitat restoration
- Good knowledge of native plants and invasive plants, including how to identify
- Able to safely use landscaping tools, hammer, saw, etc.
- Class 5 driver's licence strongly desired
- Good communication and teamwork skills
- Good at planning and staying organized
- Good at solving problems
- You can work independently & take initiative
- Excited to learn more about plants and wildlife
- Familiar with the Downtown Eastside neighbourhood
- Able to work responsibly and safely in urban parks and gardens
- Able to do physical work in an outdoor setting in all weather conditions
- Experience coordinating and facilitating groups an asset
- Experience supervising or coordinating staff or volunteers an asset
- Satisfactory criminal record check, including vulnerable sector check
- Occupational First Aid Level 1 or willingness to obtain before start of work

How to apply

E-mail a resume and short letter describing the experience and skills you would bring to this job and why you are interested in the role to Marika van Reeuyk, Stewardship Manager, with "Crew Leader application" in the subject line: marika@eya.ca

The deadline to apply is **June 1st or until filled**. Applications will be reviewed upon submission so get your application in early!

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