



Summer Job with EYA

Job Title: Junior Crew Leader, Youth Habitat Crew

Hours: 38 hrs/wk

Dates: June 20 - Sep 2 (11 weeks)

Wages: \$17.50 per hour

Benefits: 1.5 vacation days & 2 paid public holidays

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 neighborhoods. 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 Leaders will lead the Youth Habitat Crew - a team of 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 EYA program alumni ages 17 - 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 on the application form.

Responsibilities

With support from the EYA Stewardship Manager, you will:

- Co-supervise a small team, including 4 youth crew members
- Work closely with the other Crew Leader to 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
- Remove blackberry, English ivy, and other invasive species
- Complete small carpentry and construction projects to improve EYA's garden sites
- Dig a large pit to support on-site composting
- Purchase tools and materials

- Connect with other organizations in the community
- Make short videos and take photos for weekly social media posts
- Upload weekly posts and stories to social media
- 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

- Alumni of an EYA Nature Stewards, Roots & Shoots, or Youth Habitat Crew program
- Experience working with groups of youth, volunteers or small teams
- Experience with wildlife gardening and habitat restoration
- Able to work outside in all-weather conditions doing full days of physical work
- 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 license 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 neighborhood
- Familiar with TikTok, Instagram and Facebook
- Able to work responsibly and safely in urban parks and gardens
- 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

Fill out the online application form [HERE](#). If you have questions, email Marika at marika@eya.ca

The deadline to apply is **June 3rd, or until filled.**

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