



**Environmental  
Youth Alliance**

# Summer Job with EYA

**Job Title:** Crew Leader, Youth Habitat Crew

**Hours:** 35 hours per week (5 days per week, 7 hours per day)

**Dates:** June 17 - Aug 30, 2024 (11 weeks)

**Wages:** \$21.00 per hour

**Benefits:** 2 vacation days & 2 paid public holidays

## What we do

The Environmental Youth Alliance (EYA) empowers youth from equity-denied communities to become environmental stewards. We provide land-based education and paid job training programs that integrate Western and Indigenous perspectives on land stewardship. 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. Find out more about our team and work: [www.eya.ca](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 8 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 19 - 25. EYA prioritizes applications from people who identify as Indigenous, Black, People of Colour, 2SLGBTQIA+, living with a disability, and folks from other equity-denied communities. 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 6 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

- Remove blackberry, English ivy, and other invasive species
- Maintain and improve EYA's plant medicine gardens and wildlife habitat areas - weeding, watering, and planting
- Dig a large pit to support on-site composting
- Purchase tools and materials
- Complete small carpentry and construction projects to improve EYA's garden sites
- Connect with other organizations in the community
- Create social media content for the program (e.g. short videos, photos)
- Ensure safe work practices are followed (e.g. safe use of gardening tools)
- Develop your leadership skills & gain valuable work experience

### *What You'll Bring*

- Experience leading/supervising youth, volunteers, or small teams
- Experience with gardening and/or habitat restoration
- Able to work outside in all-weather conditions doing full days of physical work
- Knowledge of native and invasive plants, and eagerness to learn more
- Able to safely use landscaping tools, hammer, saw, etc.
- Good communication and teamwork skills
- Good at planning and staying organized
- Able to work independently & take initiative
- Able to work responsibly and safely in urban parks and gardens
- Satisfactory criminal record check, including vulnerable sector check
- Occupational First Aid Level 1 or willingness to obtain
- Experience supporting youth with lived experience of oppression an asset
- Class 5 or 7 driver's license an asset

### **How to apply**

Fill out the online application form [HERE](#). If you have questions, email Jess at [jess@eya.ca](mailto:jess@eya.ca)

The deadline to apply is **May 12th**.

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