

Title: Outdoor Warriors

Purpose: Restore shoreline, collect garbage, and plant native trees in public and private lands within the West/Rhode Watershed.

Description of Duties: Volunteers will assist paid staff in hands-on environmental work creating a living shoreline, collecting garbage, and potting and planting native trees. Duties will include transporting, potting and planting Sub-Aquatic Vegetation and native trees, work with tools, and work both on land and in shallow water.

Qualifications: There are no qualifications for an Outdoor Warrior besides enjoying the outdoors, occasionally getting dirty, and working with a large crew.

Time Requirements:

- Outdoor environmental projects will occur periodically and will not be weekly endeavors.
- Each project will most likely require between two to four hours of commitment, depending on the number of Outdoor Warriors present.

Orientation/Training: Paid staff and outside environmental professionals will provide orientation sessions on-site to volunteers on the science and makeup of our particular living shoreline project and best practices in SAV planting, native tree planting, and living shoreline work. There is no training session for a shoreline cleanups.

Benefits: If you enjoy outdoor work and getting dirty for a good cause, this position is for you. The Outdoor Warriors will be providing a living habitat for native plants and animals that have been harmed by development, erosion, and pollution on our watershed. For those interested in ecology, this position will allow you to learn about habitat restoration, native species, and best practices in contemporary wetland ecology and forestry. One can even sign up a group such as a business, classroom, school club, or church for a large one-day restoration event. This position is one of the most enjoyable that the West/Rhode Riverkeeper offers!

Reporting Procedures: Volunteers will report their hours and data sheets to the Volunteer Coordinator after each period of service. Included in reported data will be the number trees/SAV planted/garbage bags collected and general information about completed tasks. Data will be recorded on the Riverkeeper website and used for publicity of West/Rhode Riverkeeper's conservation efforts.

Location: Volunteers will operate on our living shoreline site, at tree planting sites to be determined, and at Discovery Village.

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