

Community Nature Connection Internship

Habitat Restoration and Volunteer Coordination

Organizational Summary

Community Nature Connection increases access to the outdoors for communities impacted by racial, socio-economic, and disability injustices by eliminating existing barriers through advocacy, community centered programming, and workforce development. We envision a Los Angeles County where all communities have physical and institutional access to all local public lands, are included in all environmental programs and recreation, and are represented in outdoor careers and political decision making.

Community Nature Connection (CNC) has provided programming for over 25 years in Los Angeles County and continues to expand programming throughout the state. We have served tens of thousands of youth, family, and school groups with outdoor recreation experiences, overnight camping, and long term leadership and team building programs. We have a board and staff that reflects the rich diversity of California. CNC staff are highly trained and experienced outdoor educators, heritage interpreters, and dedicated to the communities we serve.

Internship Summary

Internship Description	This year-long internship will provide a robust learning experience for youth ages 18 to 26. Youth Interns will learn about about local vegetation, ecology, restoration planning, volunteer coordination, group management, interpretation, inclusion and equity, and risk management. Interns will also learn more about government agencies like the National Park Service and local non-profits.
Length & Commitment	Term of position is from January 2021 - December 2021, roughly a 6 to 7 day commitment each month. Schedule will be determined with the intern supervisor. Note: Interns must complete a minimum of 640 hours to be eligible for



	non-competitive hiring by federal land management agencies.
Locations	Interns will work primarily at Cheeseboro and Rancho Sierra Vista in the Santa Monica Mountains for the purposes of park restoration and propagation of native land vegetation. Other off-site locations may include: The Los Angeles River Center & Gardens, Franklin Canyon Park, Vista Hermosa Natural Park, The Audubon Center at Debs Park, and various other recreational green spaces within Los Angeles and the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. Interns will work from home on independent work days.
Transportatio n	Due to Covid-19 restrictions, interns must provide their own individual transportation to all physical sites and abide by all health guidelines. You will not be able to carpool with staff members or other interns.
Benefit	Upon completion of 640 hours of work, the Intern will be eligible for non-competitive hiring by federal land management agencies under the Public Land Corps Hiring Authority.
Stipend Amount	\$466 monthly stipend
Qualifications & Internship	Strong interest in habitat restoration, ecology, conservation, volunteer coordination, or similar fields
Requirements	 Strong public speaking skills Strong written and verbal communication Must possess High School Diploma Must have reliable transportation to and from various work sites Must possess a CA Driver's License (access to personal transportation desired) Must undergo a background check upon selection which will include but not limited to livescan, TB test, and drug screening.



Internship Environment	kneel for extended periods of time and lift up to 50 pounds. Hiking over rugged terrain is also a part of this internship position.
Covid Guidelines	Must adhere to and stay up to date on all CNC Covid guidelines and communicate any change in health to immediate Supervisor. Maintain proper hygiene of tools and equipment and maintain distance while working in the field with work crew.
How to Apply	Please send resume and cover letter to careers@communitynatureconnection.org by November 15th, 2020.