

## Education Director

### Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy

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#### Specifications

##### **The Situation**

For 25 years, the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy (Conservancy) has preserved over 1,600 acres of stunning Los Angeles County coastline. The Conservancy's education programs educate current and future generations on the importance of saving the natural environment and by connecting them to the Conservancy's mission. The Education Director is the key leader, educator, and administrator of this effort. This position reports to the Executive Director and is located in their Rolling Hills Estates office.

##### **The Position**

The Education Director is a pivotal member of the Conservancy leadership team. Utilizing his/her natural leadership skills, this individual manages and mentors a team of employees and volunteers that connect people of all ages with the land through nature walks, innovative environmental education programs and outdoor stewardship volunteer opportunities.

Leveraging a unique perspective and passion for the land and wildlife conservation, this individual collaborates with others to shape and refine the educational curricula, training programs, and ensures their success through program evaluation, assessment and reporting.

Fully utilizing his/her disciplined operations and strong administrative talent, these programs are well sustained through careful budgeting, timely grant administration and caring and efficient oversight of the Nature Center operations.

##### **The Organization**

Respect for employees, commitment to their continued growth and transparency characterize the Conservancy's relationship with all of its stakeholders.

Since its founding in 1988, the Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy has protected nearly 1600 acres of open space as nature preserves on the Palos Verdes Peninsula. The Conservancy's vision is the creation and management of large blocks of natural open space where visitors may enjoy peaceful solitude, where children and adults can learn about the natural environment and where locally native plants and animals will exist in a restored and supportive environment. In complement to the land preservation, the Conservancy operates two nature centers and facilitates and delivers educational programming to school groups in the field and the community at large in a variety of settings.

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##### **The Ideal Candidate**

The ideal candidate strongly desires an opportunity to demonstrate a personal commitment to environmental preservation and is a natural teacher, educator, and relationship builder. For the right individual this is not a job but a calling. He or she gets to display their passion for influencing future generations as they go about leading classes at the Nature Centers, working with teachers and administrators in the surrounding community, and mentoring a staff team and docent volunteers.

The ideal candidate finds deep satisfaction in building upon people's strengths, being resourceful, and expanding the team's capacity to handle the widely diverse responsibilities of this challenging and stimulating responsibility in a way that assures continued success and supports the mission.

##### **The Opportunity**

Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy is among the most established and successful nonprofit enterprises in California dedicated to preserving and protecting fragile and endangered land.

This is a rare opportunity to become a key contributor to preserving one of Southern California's most beautiful and unique coastal landscapes and nurturing the surrounding community's and future generations' appreciation for safeguarding local wildlife and the environment.

##### **The Compensation**

The Conservancy realizes the essential benefits of a well-run education program. The Conservancy offers a competitive compensation and benefits package commensurate with the ideal candidate's contribution.

*If you know someone who might be interested, please call, or ask them to call.*

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