



Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy

job opportunity

native garden apprenticeship



Description

The Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy (PVPLC) manages over 1600 acres of open space on the Palos Verdes Peninsula, and two nature centers with native plant demonstration gardens. The PVPLC engages volunteers in the development and maintenance of native plant gardens in order to demonstrate how gardening with native plants is beneficial for the environment.

The Native Plant Garden Apprentice will work under the direction of the Garden Manager and Native Garden Expert to learn about native plant gardening practices to enhance the visual aesthetic of the White Point Native Plant Garden in San Pedro. Tasks will include weeding, pruning, mulching, trail repairs, and planting shrubs. The apprentice will also be expected to lead volunteers in gardening tasks during our public events.

We are looking for a candidate that is interested in pursuing a future in native plant gardening and/ or restoration ecology. This candidate should be self-motivated and willing to work long hours outdoors conducting manual labor in the garden. Good communication skills and a background in horticulture is a plus. We ask that you volunteer at least 9 hours at White Point Preserve's Conservancy led events before applying for this position.

Project Leads

Megan Wolff, Volunteer Coordinator
Tony Baker, Native Garden Expert

Application

www.pvplc.org/_about/employment.asp
Send application with a cover letter and resume to:

Brittany Goldsmith
Volunteer Program Manager
310-541-7613 x 215
bgoldsmith@pvplc.org

REQUIREMENTS

- Currently 18 years or older
- Volunteered at least 9 hours at White Point (can be completed as part of the application process)
- Must have a background in: horticulture, native plant gardening, or restoration ecology
- Have a working knowledge of California Native Plants
- Ability to work outdoors all day conducting manual labor, lift 40 pounds, and use hand tools
- Interest in leading volunteers in the garden during events
- Willingness to work in a team and individually

Timeframe

This is a paid apprenticeship at \$12/hour. We require a minimum of 6 hours per week in the garden for at least 3 months. Start time and duration of this position is flexible.

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