



Environmental Stewards

Helping you meet your mission



Overview:

Environmental Stewards (ES) offers land and water management agencies and non-profit organizations opportunities to accomplish specific projects and provides individual placements for young people “Stewards” interested in gaining experience in natural and cultural resource management. Stewards are placed with state and federal agencies or non-profits in 10-week to year-long positions throughout the United States. Since 2010, ES has placed 226 Stewards in 26 states and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

What Can Stewards Do?

Stewards come prepared to assist with a wide range of agency operations including:

- Water/Vegetation monitoring
- Grant Writing
- Program development
- Volunteer project organization
- Outreach and education
- GPS use and GIS mapping
- Interpretive services
- Invasive species management
- Trail maintenance and building
- And other hands-on work related to environmental stewardship



Benefits of engaging an Environmental Steward:

- ES staff administer all paperwork, including; living allowance, workers compensation, liability insurance, personnel management, AmeriCorps Education Award
- The ES program focuses on the specific needs of the resource managers and each project. ES staff works collaboratively with the agency partners to ensure that the Steward is from the local community or meets alternative criteria important for each placement
- ES Staff communicate consistently and on-going with partners throughout the term of the Steward
- If eligible, Steward may transition into temporary or permanent agency employment*
- Stewards can start anytime throughout the year and are chosen by the Agency Partner

Expectations of Agency Partners:

- Identify meaningful project(s) and complete work plan
- Conduct local recruiting and select Environmental Steward(s)
- Provide supervision, mentorship and oversight of the Steward
- Payment of program cost, dependent on program duration

“[SCC] Management responsiveness and communication are both excellent. Training is efficient and effective. Management was very careful not to waste Supervisor time in any way and seems to exist to help us do our jobs. This is very much appreciated.”
– John Jones – Research Geographer, USGS Eastern Geographic Science Center

How Can I find out more?

Visit the Environmental Stewards website at: www.environmentalstewards.org

Or contact the Program Director, Michael Rendon at: mrendon@environmentalstewards.org | 970-403-0149

**Environmental Stewards qualify for either direct-hire or non-compete status under the PLC non-competitive hiring authority, granted they earn the requisite hours (See Title 16 USC Sec 1721-1726; Public Law 109-154)*

