

# Stewardship and Education Intern 2025

Friends of Sausal Creek (FOSC) has an opening for a **Stewardship and Education Intern (SEI)**, a part-time position based in Oakland, CA. This is a 6-month internship (January - June 2025). The SEI will assist in leading field workdays focused on habitat restoration and educational field trips for youth focused on watershed-specific topics. The ideal SEI candidate is a passionate, dynamic, self-motivated environmentalist and justice advocate with experience working with diverse populations, specifically youth. Fluency in Spanish is a plus.

This is an opportunity to gain exposure to all aspects of restoration and educational programming at an environmental nonprofit. The SEI will report directly to FOSC's Restoration and Nursery Manager (RNM) and Education and Outreach Manager (EOM), with supervision by the Executive Director.

Friends of Sausal Creek (FOSC) is a community-based, 501c3 nonprofit organization dedicated to the conservation, restoration, and enhancement of the Sausal Creek Watershed in Oakland, CA. Our vision is to engage the Oakland community in regular stewardship of the watershed through ongoing restoration work, robust environmental education programs, and increased access to quality parks and green spaces adjacent to Sausal Creek. We are working toward an ecologically healthy watershed that supports biodiversity, offers habitat for native species in the region, and builds climate resilience.

# Responsibilities

Environmental Education:

- Assist with leadership of environmental classroom lessons and field trips in urban and open spaces with students aged 6-18, in collaboration with local partners. Topics include watershed ecology, hydrology, species monitoring, water quality, nonnative vs native species.
- Assist with implementation of lesson plans, program evaluation, and administration.
- Assist with maintenance and strengthening of school and organizational partnerships and relationships.

Restoration and Stewardship:

- Assist with water quality monitoring field work and data collection, entry, and analysis.
- Lead 1 2 watershed restoration workdays per month with staff guidance.
- Lead 1 2 native plant nursery workdays per month with staff guidance.
- Assist with rare plant monitoring and protection programs.

# Requirements

- Passion for environmentalism and environmental justice
- Knowledge of environmental and social justice issues in Oakland
- Passion for student/youth development
- Able to work with people of diverse ages and backgrounds
- Ability to lift 40 pounds
- Reliable access to a car or other transportation to get to field sites
- Self-starter; able to manage full schedule and function well independently/remotely

- Collaborative, able to work within a small team
- Flexible, able to accommodate last minute changes and adjust accordingly
- Highly motivated and enthusiastic

## Compensation and terms

This internship position is part-time (20 hours per week). The candidate must be able to work occasional weekends. The rate of compensation is \$20/hour.

FOSC is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes applications from all qualified candidates regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, disability, religious or political affiliation, or sexual orientation.

# To apply

To apply, please email a cover letter and your CV/resume to <u>info@sausalcreek.org</u>. Please include your name and "SEI application" in the subject line.

The deadline for applications is December 10, 2024.