

Summer 2024 Youth Stewards Volunteer Program

High School

<u>Grassroots Ecology</u> invites rising, current, or recently graduated high school students from San Mateo County and Santa Clara County to participate in our 8-week summer session of the Youth Stewards volunteer program. Youth Stewards will have the opportunity to meet new friends, explore nature with staff experts, enhance their observation skills, and help restore local California ecosystems.

Volunteers will be assigned to work in cohorts alongside Grassroots Ecology staff to steward the following open space preserves:

- 1) <u>Foothills Nature Preserve</u> (Palo Alto)
- 2) McClellan Ranch Preserve (Cupertino)
- 3) Stulsaft Park (Redwood City)
- 4) Byrne Preserve (Los Altos Hills) and Redwood Grove Nature Preserve (Los Altos) alternating locations

Youth Stewards will meet on Tuesday mornings , from 9 AM – 12 PM (3 hours) on the following dates:	
• June 11, 2024	• July 9, 2024
 June 18, 2024 	 July 16, 2024
• June 25, 2024	 July 23, 2024
• July 2, 2024	• July 30, 2024

Requirements

- Rising, current, or recently graduated high school student
- Reliable transportation to arrive on time each week
- Motivated, curious, and positive attitude about working outdoors
- Excited to work in a group setting, follow safety expectations, and show respect toward wildlife and other participants
- Enjoy spending time outdoors, including in hot and exposed conditions, with energy to engage in manual labor tasks for 1-2 hours at a time
- Must complete a volunteer interest form, a program intake form, and an online liability waiver via Eventbrite before volunteering

How to Participate

- Fill out the volunteer interest form. Students will be notified of the next steps to participate via email.
- We anticipate the number of interested students to exceed our capacity. Submit your interest form as early as possible! Priority deadline is Sunday, May 19, 2024 at 11:59 PM.
- Accessibility concerns? Questions? Contact Valerie Lee at <u>valerie@grassrootsecology.org</u>









