Community Outreach Intern

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About the San Diego River Park Foundation Internship Program:
Founded in 2001**,** we are a nonprofit, environmental organization dedicated to the restoration of the San Diego River and creation of the San Diego River Park System. More info at www.sandiegoriver.org.

We seek outgoing and hardworking individuals who are passionate about environmental conservation and community building to engage the local community to learn about our namesake waterway. Internships at the San Diego River Park Foundation are highly collaborative and feature on-the-job learning for students interested in nonprofits and local environmental issues. These positions are unpaid volunteer opportunities.

Description of Position:
The Community Outreach Intern connects people in San Diego and beyond to the region's namesake waterway, the San Diego River. This person will attend public events as a representative of the San Diego River Park Foundation, promoting environmental awareness and stewardship.

Description of Potential Duties:

- Attend, set up, and staff outreach booths at community events throughout San Diego County.
- Increase public awareness of the San Diego River and its importance to the people of San Diego.
- Educate the public on the San Diego River Park Foundation's mission, current projects, and volunteer opportunities.
- Encourage environmental stewardship through personal actions and community service.
- Represent the San Diego River Park Foundation in a positive and professional manner.
- Recruit volunteers through online event postings, distributing flyers, emailing groups, and more.
- Administer surveys to event attendees and distribute giveaways.
- Process and analyze survey responses.
- Prepare, pack, and unload supplies before and after events.
- Track inventory of community outreach supplies.
- Interns are required to attend an in-person event from a different department once a month.

Time Commitment:
6 - 24 hours per week, 3-4 months preferred. Mix of at-home and in-person work anticipated. Hours may vary depending on the weekly outreach schedule.

Location:
This position works mostly remotely but also in-person at various locations in San Diego. Some time in SDRPF's office (located in Western Mission Valley) may be necessary.

Qualifications:

- Interns are REQUIRED to be currently enrolled in school or a similar institution.
- Friendly, personable character with excellent customer service skills.
- Ability to converse with diverse audiences and ages.
- Interest in environmental issues impacting the San Diego Region.
- Passion for environmental stewardship and community involvement.
- Flexible schedule with weekend and evening availability.
- Strong written communication and critical thinking skills
- Must be at least 18 years old.
- Must have access to reliable transportation that can be used to transport supplies to events.
- Must be able to lift 45 pounds.

Benefits:

- Help to create a better and healthier future for the San Diego River.
- Be a part of an amazing team of passionate staff and volunteers dedicated to the protection of the San Diego River.
- Help make the San Diego region more environmentally aware and engaged!
- Improve communication skills by interacting with diverse audiences across San Diego County.
- Learn about environmental stewardship projects related to the ecology of the San Diego River.
- Opportunity to assist with other San Diego River projects as they become available.
- Gain experience working in a well-established, successful environmental non-profit.
- Class credit, if offered by your learning institution.
- Gain experience in leadership and project management.
- Gain experience in database management.
- Gain experience in environmental field operations.
- Build up your resume!

To apply:
Please email the following materials together in one email:

1. A resume (maximum of two pages).
2. A cover letter stating why this internship will benefit you.

Please send all application materials to the Volunteer Coordinator at volunteer@sandiegoriver.org. In your email, state if you plan on applying for multiple SDRPF internships, and which other positions you will be applying for. If you have any questions regarding the application process or the internship, please email the above address or call 619-297-7380.