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Clean Water Fellow

ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

The mission of the Izaak Walton League of America (the League), founded in 1922, is to conserve, restore and promote the sustainable use and enjoyment of our natural resources, including soil, air, woods, waters and wildlife. Our members and staff combine hands-on conservation action, policy work with legislatures and resource agencies, and public education to pursue our conservation goals at the local, state and national levels. As a strong responsible voice representing outdoor recreationists, we occupy a special niche in the conservation community.

SUMMARY OF POSITION

The Clean Water Fellowship is a temporary position of up to two years and is designed to provide applied experience in environmental education and water quality monitoring to a candidate with an undergraduate degree who is planning to pursue graduate studies in environmental education, natural resources conservation or a similar field. The Clean Water Fellow will work with the Clean Water Director to revise, deliver and manage the Creek Freaks program. Creek Freaks is a national program that engages children ages 10-14 in hands-on stream studies including water quality monitoring. The Clean Water Fellow will conduct Creek Freaks environmental education programming for children and train and support adult Creek Freaks program leaders. In addition, the Clean Water Fellow will create videos, fact sheets, and website content and will promote the program using social media. The Clean Water Fellow will also recruit, train, and coordinate networks of adult volunteer water quality monitors.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Deliver environmental education programming to students in grades 4 through 8 using the League's Creek Freaks curriculum. This includes conducting indoor hands-on activities on watersheds, soils, streamside plants, and water quality, and field activities such as biological, chemical, and physical monitoring of streams. Recruit, train and support Izaak Walton League members, partner organization after-school program and summer camp staff, and community volunteers to serve as Creek Freaks program leaders.

- Coordinate logistics of Creek Freaks program leader training workshops and provide technical assistance to program leaders following workshops.
- Communicate with Creek Freaks program leaders concerning development of the program, curriculum, and their use of the materials.
- Create and develop materials, videos, and other content as needed to enhance Creek Freaks program delivery to children and adult program leader trainings. This may include preparing science experiment materials, stream monitoring equipment, and craft supplies for hands-on activities prior to program delivery.
- Actively contribute to League internal and external communications, including by developing content for written and electronic communications.
- Promote the program through the Creek Freaks website, local media, partner organization email lists, and social media, including Facebook and Twitter.
- Assist Clean Water Program Director in drafting reports on program accomplishments.
- Assist Clean Water Program Director in fundraising efforts.
- Recruit, train, and coordinate adult volunteers for stream monitoring using the Save Our Streams or Virginia Save Our Streams programs.
- Travel in connection with and support of the above.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor's degree in environmental education, natural resources management, environmental sciences, or related field with plans to pursue graduate studies in such field(s).
- Interest and demonstrated experience in environmental education, community outreach, water quality assessment, and stream monitoring.
- Public speaking and teaching skills and experience.
- Ability and willingness to travel, including for multiple days consecutively and overnight.
- Demonstrated ability to work independently, including in the field.
- Ability to organize and manage multiple tasks and set priorities.
- Ability to work constructively and cooperatively with a diverse array of staff, volunteers, and colleague organizations.
- Experience with social media (Facebook, Twitter), as well as curriculum development.
- Experience video editing is a plus.
- Possess a valid driver's license and own a car for travel.

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

Compensation for the Clean Water Fellowship includes a stipend of \$32,500 per year. The Clean Water Fellowship does not include benefits.

HOW TO APPLY

Email cover letter, resume, and a writing sample to the attention of the Clean Water Program Director: sos@iwla.org. **Please submit all materials no later than April 6th.** No phone calls please.

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