



Trail Stewards Position Description

Position Overview: Trail Stewards are key volunteers of Capitol Land Trust in ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience at CLT's public preserves. Trail stewards visit their preserve once a month, complete basic tasks, and report their observations back to CLT using an online form.

Key Responsibilities:

- Walk the trails at your preserve at least once a month and submit the online form.
- Pick up and dispose of small pieces of garbage.
- Clear/cut small branches or other small pieces of debris from the trails.
- Be welcoming to other visitors on the preserve.
- Report any problems/observations to CLT using an online form.

Optional Tasks:

- Visit more than once a month and submit the online form after each visit.
- Engage with other Trail Stewards to coordinate your visits and work together on larger tasks.
- Attend CLT's stewardship events at your preserve.
- Encourage appropriate use of the preserves to others (i.e. stay on the trail, etc.)
- Help recruit new Trail Stewards.
- Be "on call" to help with storm damage cleanup.

Impact: Trail stewards have an important role in ensuring that individuals and families can visit CLT's public preserves and connect with nature. Through this work, you make it possible for CLT to maintain our public preserves and you will get to give back to the preserves you already enjoy visiting and hiking.

Sustained Outcomes:

- Ensuring a safe and enjoyable hiking experience for individuals and families visiting CLT's preserves.
- Enable CLT to catch potential problems at our public preserves before they become serious.
- Help individuals and families connect to nature.

Commitment: As a Trail Steward you commit to visit and hike your chosen public preserve ideally once a month and report your observations back to CLT through the online form.

Skills and Qualifications:

- Willing and able to visit and hike your chosen public preserve routinely.
- Willing and able to pick up and dispose of small pieces of garbage.
- Willing and able to clear/cut small branches or other small pieces of debris from the trails.
- Access to a computer or smart phone to submit online form after you visit your preserve.

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