

Welcome & thank you

for your interest in volunteering for the
Lower Nehalem Community Trust!



The Trust is so successful due to the dedication of our volunteers. Volunteers are active in all aspects of the Trust, acting as:

- Board & Committee Members
- Youth Field Trip Assistants
- Nature & Garden Workshop Leaders
- Natural Area Stewards
- Natural Area Monitors
- And more!

Through our volunteer program, we strive to:

- Develop positive relationships that enhance the value of the individual and the community;
- Provide a warm, welcoming, nurturing and safe environment; and
- Offer inclusive opportunities that cater for the special needs of volunteers of all abilities and backgrounds.

Orientation & Training

Staff or a Project's Lead Volunteer will provide you with important information on the Trust and training for your volunteer tasks. Please fill out the attached information form so we can understand a bit about you and your interests. For most jobs, training and supervision is minimal. However, the Trust may open itself to liability if it does not appropriately train and supervise volunteers, especially those who handle dangerous equipment or undertake hazardous jobs, or who lead others in such activities. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to talk to us about them.

Volunteer Rights & Responsibilities

Volunteers are a valuable resource to the Trust. Volunteers have the right to be given meaningful assignments, be treated as equal co-workers, to effective supervision, full involvement and participation, and recognition for their important work. In return, we ask that volunteers agree to actively perform their duties to the best of their abilities and to remain loyal to the goals and procedures of the Trust.

Recordkeeping

We want to recognize you for the time you dedicate to the Trust. Please be sure to record your hours and activities each time you volunteer.

Safety

The Trust works to protect the health of our volunteers. We aim to provide a safe and healthy working environment. We ask that those working with the Trust take reasonable care of themselves and those around them. Please help us by cooperating with Trust policies, procedures and instructions and informing Trust staff of any safety concerns. If something was to happen, the Trust maintains insurance for our volunteers and an incident report will be submitted.

**Lower Nehalem Community Trust
Volunteer Information Form**

General Information

Name: _____ Date: _____

Home Phone: _____ Email: _____

Work/Cell Phone: _____ Preferred communication: Email Phone

Mailing Address: _____

In case of emergency, please contact:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work/Cell phone: _____

Experience

Previous volunteer experience: _____

Volunteer Interests

Check all volunteer tasks that interest you:

Administration

Writing/editing

Fundraising

Data entry

Mailing

Field

Native planting

Invasive plant removal

Vegetable gardening

Bird Monitoring

Education

Field trip asst

Workshop PR

Set up/ take down

Volunteer coord.

Special Events

Planning

Event PR

Set up/ take down

Trust info table

Other: _____

Health Issues

Please list health concerns of which we should be aware: _____

Volunteer Service Agreement

I waive any right of recovery and release the Trust, its officers, officials, employees and agents, from liability arising from any injury to undersigned, and further agree and undertake to release and hold harmless the Trust from and against any and all claims, damages, actions, liability and expenses, including attorney's fees and other professional fees in connection with bodily injury including death, personal injury and/or loss or damage to property arising from or out of my activities and participation in volunteer services at any of the properties owned, stewarded by, or affiliated with the Trust.

Signature _____ Date _____

For youth under 18 years of age:

Signature of Guardian _____ Date _____

I give my permission to be photographed and have my image used in Trust publications.

For More Information

Visit our website at www.nehalemtrust.org or contact the Trust at (503) 368-3203 or Inct@nehalemtrust.org.

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