



# Effie Yeaw Nature Center

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## **Position Title: Nature Camp Assistant**

**Reports to:** Manager of Volunteer Programs and staff Naturalist for assigned program.

**Mission:** Interpret the natural and cultural resources of the Sacramento region—Principally in the lower American River Parkway.

**Objective:** Nature Camp Assistants work alongside Staff Naturalists and Docents to provide positive experiences for camp participants.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Assist in the setup and cleanup of activities, crafts and presentations.
- Role model safety and kindness. Report concerns promptly.
- Help leader with group management on trail and during activities or lessons.

### **Skills/Qualifications needed:**

- Must be at least 14 years of age.
- Strong interpersonal skills, good judgement, and ability to manage groups.
- Desired character traits: Reliable, flexible, and compassionate.
- Interest in animals and wildlife; no unreasonable fear of snakes, insects, or other animals.
- Interest in learning about natural history and our animal ambassadors.
- Physically fit, able to walk a minimum of 3 miles, and balance on uneven surfaces.
- Volunteers must be free from arrest or conviction of any felony or misdemeanor offense involving violence, sexual or physical abuse of any adult or child, or any felony narcotic offense. Adult volunteers are required to submit to a background check process.

### **Training schedule, commitment, & requirements:**

- Safety Training and Orientation provided by Volunteer Manager.
- Weekday availability a must, as camp programs are scheduled Monday-Friday, during school break periods. Spring, Summer, Fall, and Winter.

**Evaluation:** Volunteers are encouraged to meet with the Volunteer Manager whenever necessary to discuss situations which may arise on the job. Periodic evaluations will be used to determine if the volunteer's needs and those of the Nature Center are being met.

### **Benefits:**

- Ongoing learning opportunities.
- Connect with a community that enjoys the outdoors.
- Receive invitations to exclusive volunteer and staff events.