



Stewardship Coordinator

The Southeastern Climbers Coalition (SCC) is seeking a motivated individual to lead our stewardship program to preserve climbing areas throughout the Southeast. The Stewardship Coordinator will be responsible for assessing, implementing and completing conservation projects as well as coordinating with land managers, volunteers, and project partners to address impacts at over 30 climbing areas in Tennessee, Alabama, and Georgia. If you are an SCC supporter, trained in trail building and land management, highly motivated independent worker and have a passion for protecting and stewarding Southeastern climbing areas, then this is the job for you!

The Stewardship Coordinator will work closely with the Executive Director to develop stewardship plans, secure funding and support project areas. The main goal of this position is to increase our capacity to address climber related impacts, ensure sustainable access, and protect natural resources at climbing areas in our region.

Responsibilities:

- Ensure all SCC owned properties are stewarded to protect natural and cultural resources and sustainable recreation access.
- Foster relationships with land managers to steward non-SCC owned climbing areas.
- Develop and manage area assessments, detailed project plans, and comprehensive land management plans.
- Seek, apply and secure grants for stewardship and conservation projects.
- Determine scope of work, timeline, tools and resources needed to complete projects.
- Manage and lead a base of volunteers to assist with stewardship projects.
- Conduct trail and infrastructure work on site.
- Maintain detailed written records of work progress.
- Maintain records and generate progress reports for grant funders.
- Market and promote Trail Days, including creating and managing landing pages (i.e. Facebook Event, Website, Eventbrite, social media, etc.)

Requirements:

- Professional trail building and natural resource management experience



- Knowledge on proper use and maintenance of trail tools
- Strong leadership and communication skills
- Demonstrate aptitude in planning, time management, project management, and budget adherence.
- Exhibit advanced technical writing skills for project management
- Strong understanding of property assessment and trail evaluation (including knowledge on erosion, water drainage, high user traffic issues)
- Volunteer management experience
- Must carry personal health insurance
- Must be able to lift heavy objects, bend, walk long distances with weight, work 6-8 hours in varying weather conditions.
- Access to personal computer for reporting
- Basic knowledge of photo editing, Word, and Excel
- Reliable vehicle (preferably has capacity to tow 4x6 tool trailer)

Preferred Qualifications:

- Wilderness First Aid, First Responder or EMT (or willingness to receive this certification within 6 months of hire)
- 5+ years leading volunteers on stewardship projects
- Bachelor's degree in Natural Resource Management, Recreation, Environmental Science, Forestry, Geography or related field

Hours: 30 hrs/week, may vary by project and require overnight/weekend work.

Location: This individual will work on projects throughout Tennessee, Georgia, and Alabama. Preferably, this position is located at SCC headquarters in Chattanooga, TN, the epicenter of climbing in the Southeast (and location of our tool trailer).

SCC is an equal opportunity employer. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, age, ability, sexual orientation, color, religion, ethnicity. We believe climbing is for everyone. SCC preserves climbing areas for current and future generations in the Southeast. We do this through acquisition, stewardship, and community, so that all climbers can enjoy equitable access to the outdoors. We believe all people should have the opportunity to explore the vast natural landscapes in our region. We do not tolerate prejudice on our properties or within our organization. We believe the outdoors is for all people to enjoy without fear of discrimination and we will continue to work to ensure public protected climbing areas exist in perpetuity.

To apply, send resume and cover letter by January 1 to andrea@seclimbers.org with the subject line: Stewardship Coordinator Application.