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# GREAT SPRINGS PROJECT SUMMER 2022 FELLOWSHIP

# **ABOUT GREAT SPRINGS PROJECT**

Great Springs Project (GSP) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization working to create a greenway of contiguous protected lands between San Antonio and Austin over the Edwards Aquifer recharge zone. This green corridor will include an additional 50,000 acres of protected lands across four counties and be connected by a network of spring-to-spring trails, linking four of Texas' Great Springs: Barton Springs, San Marcos Springs, Comal Springs, and San Antonio Springs. Great Springs Project works to unify existing local efforts and catalyze new efforts to address the most critical water, land, wildlife, and public health challenges facing the Central Texas region.

In a state in which less than four percent of the land is public, GSP addresses social, health, and recreational equity by conserving open space and developing a 100-mile, publicly-accessible, spring-to-spring trail over the recharge zone of the Edwards Aquifer.

### **GSP FELLOWSHIP OVERVIEW**

#### **Position**

The GSP Summer Fellow will be reporting directly to GSP's Chief Development Officer. The Fellow should be prepared to work in a fast-paced team environment and finish the fellowship having gained working knowledge and professional experience in various aspects of the organization and provided substantive written policy research for the organization on designated topics.

GSP is helping develop future leaders in land and water conservation and active transportation projects.

#### **Details**

The Summer 2022 Fellowship runs from May/June through August:

- 30-40 hours/week
- Requires attendance:
  - Monday 9:00 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting,
  - Bi-monthly Development All-Hands meetings 2:00 3:00 pm every other Wednesday
  - Thursday 9:00 9:30 a.m. Staff Roundtable

# Scope of Work

- Research and writing on climate science and resilience, carbon credits markets, water markets, revenue streams associated with conserved lands, and the integration of DEIJ recommendations into land and water conservation projects and trails and active transportation development.
- Research on carbon capture and storage benefits associated with land conservation.
- Research on climate benefits received from increased active transportation rather than motorized vehicle transportation.

- Compile, analyze, and clarify information, data, and research regarding environmental management and climate change.
- Support GSP's development work as directed, including:
  - Assist with grant research and writing on climate science and resilience and incorporating DEIJ recommendations into land and water conservation projects and trails and active transportation development
  - Assist with GSP's social media marketing, including creating content, scheduling posts, and engaging with other partner organizations.
- Support GSP's tabling events as directed, including:
  - Spread awareness of the project
  - Gather community input on the project
  - Provide the community with ways to help/get involved
- Other duties as assigned

# Qualifications

- Experience in or knowledge of climate science or a related field (atmospheric science/meteorology, physical geography, hydro climatology, climate/earth systems science, hydrology, civil/environmental engineering, astrophysics, etc.);
- Strong analytical and writing skills, with the ability to condense and summarize research data into meaningful findings
- Strong research and reading skills
- Excellent interpersonal, and organizational skills, capable of working independently, and effectively with staff members;
- Excellent skills in oral, written, and digital communication required;
- Energetic, self-motivated, flexible, and adaptable with a sense of humor;
- Reliable transportation;
- Knowledge of basic computer software (Microsoft Office, Zoom, etc.);
- The ideal candidate will be outgoing, detail-oriented, and passionate about conservation and environmental issues.

# **Physical Demands & Work Environment**

Summer 2022 Fellowship will be primarily remote with in-person meetings in coordination with their supervisor. The Fellow can expect to sit while reading and/or writing for long periods of time and may occasionally be required to talk, stand walk, key data, speak, and hear. As GSP's mission focus includes hiking, rivers, and springs, candidates for this role are expected to be passionate about green space. The physical demands and work environment listed here represent those that an intern must meet to successfully perform this internship's essential functions. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable a person with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Applicants are asked to provide a letter of interest, resume, and three professional references to <a href="mailto:info@greatspringsproject.org">info@greatspringsproject.org</a> and not contact the organization or any team members directly.