



## **Employment Opportunity** **Land Stewardship and Outreach Internship**

### **About Westport Land Conservation Trust (WLCT):**

Since its founding in 1972, the Westport Land Conservation Trust (WLCT) has supported the preservation of more than 5,000 acres in Westport, Massachusetts. WLCT is a private, non-governmental organization dedicated to local land conservation on behalf of the Westport community. WLCT seeks hard-working, people-oriented individuals motivated to make a difference within a dynamic and leading land conservation organization.

### **About the Position:**

WLCT is seeking a motivated and task-oriented individual to work closely with WLCT's Land Stewardship and Outreach Manager in stewarding over 1,600 acres of land currently held by WLCT. The Outreach and Stewardship Intern will be responsible for property maintenance, coordinating projects related to stewardship, and community engagement.

### **Reports to:**

The Outreach and Stewardship Interns report to WLCT's Land Stewardship and Outreach Manager and work closely with volunteers and constituents to further the mission of WLCT.

### **Primary Position Responsibilities:**

#### **Stewardship:**

- Provide weekly maintenance for all destination properties using hand tools, small motorized equipment and other tools required for general landscaping
- Coordinate volunteer(s) for appropriate stewardship projects (e.g. trail clearing, clean-ups)
- Assist staff with the creation of a new grassland meadow at Dunham's Brook, a large tree planting at Herb Hadfield and the creation of an outdoor classroom and community garden at Mill Pond Conservation area.

#### **Community Outreach and Volunteers:**

- Assist staff with events and summer programs
- Act as a WLCT representative while in and around the community of Westport
- Lead and support the Tuesday Trail Team volunteers as needed

#### **Other**

- Support WLCT fundraising events as needed
- Support the Stewardship Program during annual monitoring of Conservation Restrictions
- May on occasion need to lift or assist in lifting objects over 50lbs
- May on occasion need to drive a WLCT company vehicle

### **Qualifications:**

- Experience with landscaping equipment
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- Commitment to the conservation mission of Westport Land Conservation Trust
- Enthusiasm for working with the public and working outdoors

- Willingness to work as part of a team and Ability to work independently and manage multiple tasks
- Physically able to perform duties of the position
- Familiarity with Westport and the South Coast of Massachusetts is a plus
- Valid driver's license

**Hours, Salary & Benefits:**

The Outreach and Stewardship Summer Internships are 25 hours per week at \$15/hr for approximately 10 weeks. Typically, the work week for this position will be Tuesday-Thursday from 8am-4pm depending upon weather conditions. Some work on weekends will be required for special events.

The successful candidate will have a valid driver's license and be able to provide their own transportation.

In addition to being an Equal Opportunity Employer, the Westport Land Conservation Trust aims to create a thriving, inclusive workplace that values each member of our team. We aspire to reflect and effectively serve the community of Westport, Massachusetts--which is at the core of our mission.

**How to Apply:**

Interested candidates should submit their resume, cover letter and three references to:

Westport Land Conservation Trust  
P.O. Box 3975  
Westport, MA 02790  
Email: [Ross@WestportLandTrust.org](mailto:Ross@WestportLandTrust.org)

The positions are considered open until filled with a first round of applications **due by April 30, 2023**. An announcement will be posted on our website [www.westportlandtrust.org](http://www.westportlandtrust.org) when the positions have been filled.