

Lake Tahoe Ambassador Program Job Announcement

Do you want to:

- Gain professional environmental career experience?
- Work outside in beautiful locations?
- Help to protect Lake Tahoe?

If you answered yes, then this is an opportunity for you!

Job Description:

The **Lake Tahoe Ambassador Program** is a youth stewardship training program for ages 14-18. Participants will interact face-to-face with the public, sharing information about Lake Tahoe's natural environment and ways to protect Tahoe. Ambassadors will be stationed at various popular beaches, trailheads, and visitor centers around the lake during the busiest times Thursday-Monday. In addition, Ambassadors will be trained in basic research skills and complete a summer-long research project with a professional mentor, utilizing the data collected on the job.

Ambassadors will:

- Motivate and inspire community members and visitors to recreate responsibly while enjoying Lake Tahoe's parks and beaches
- Share information about ways to recreate in Tahoe, favorite hikes and bike trails, and more
- Model good stewardship by picking up trash, calling city maintenance when trash cans are full, and handing out pet waste bags as needed
- Track observations and interactions with the public using a Citizen Science app
- Present natural history information
- Attend additional trainings outside of public work days on related skills like natural history, trail maintenance, species identification, public speaking, research techniques, and more

Required Qualifications:

- A willingness to learn about Tahoe's environment, sound stewardship practices, and local ordinances
- Self-motivation and drive to approach visitors to engage them in conversation about how to be good stewards
- Capable of communicating and interacting in a respectful and inclusive manner with people of all ages and backgrounds
- Good time management and punctuality
- Capable of standing and walking outdoors in variable weather conditions for up to 8 hours at a time
- English and Spanish conversational skills are desired, but English-only speakers will be considered
- Must have transportation to and from work sites throughout the Tahoe Basin

Location:

We are hiring Ambassadors all around Lake Tahoe to work at a variety of locations in South Lake Tahoe, North Lake Tahoe, and Truckee.

Timeframe:

Summer work hours are from June 22, 2024 - September 1, 2024. A few additional hours are required for research competition and presentation through September 30, 2024.

Compensation:

Ambassadors earn \$18-\$20/hr (based on experience), 20-30 hours a week

Applications:

To apply please fill out the application <u>here</u> by June 3, 2024. For questions, call 530-542-4546. Interviews will begin on a rolling basis.