

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY AND EDUCATION ORGANIZATIONS



The outreach programs of several groups involve workshops, classes and models of environmental preservation in action at their site. For example, [Vancouver Watersheds Alliance](#) community programs support care of water resources. [Rewild Portland](#) educates the public on earth-based arts, traditions and technologies through workshops, programs and community-building events.

Other non-profits such as [Columbia Springs](#) bring environmental education to the community through on-site education programs in schools and at community events.

Find your ideal volunteer activity in advocacy, education and outreach for the environment. Below are links to websites of groups dedicated to environmental education and their Volunteer page.

- [Cascadia Wild](#). Inspires personal connection to nature and community; holds classes, events.
- [Center for Diversity & the Environment](#). Harnesses the power of racial and ethnic diversity to transform the U.S. environmental movement by developing leaders, catalyzing change within institutions & building alliances.
- [Columbia Springs](#). 100-acre urban natural area. Offers K-12 field trips, community events, summer camps and sustainability workshops, trout hatchery. [Volunteers](#): Help with field trips, stewardship projects, community events, weeding gardens. Vancouver.
- [Friends of Outdoor School](#). Introduces children to nature, ecology, the environment, natural resources and animal and plant life. [Volunteers](#): Special needs on-on-one, student leaders, classroom speakers, teacher trainers, office, outreach and marketing.
- [Friends of the Columbia Gorge](#). Protects the scenic, natural, cultural, and recreational resources of the Columbia River Gorge. [Volunteers](#): stewardship work parties, lead hikes or outings, supervise information tables, participate in hearing, rally or phone bank.
- [Friends of Terwilliger](#). Protects the natural character and scenic beauty of the Terwilliger Parkway corridor. Various [advocacy](#) projects.
- [Northwest Earth Institute](#). Builds communities of change to address environmental conservation. [Volunteers](#): Mentor new groups, develop and update curriculum, help in office and at community events.
- [Oregon Environmental Council](#). Work for clean air and water, healthy climate, unpolluted landscapes and sustainable food and farms. [Volunteers](#): Policy research, engage community, fundraising and marketing.
- [Oregon Sierra Club](#). Promotes conservation Oregon's natural environment by influencing public policy decisions—legislative, administrative, legal and electoral. [Members and](#)

- [Volunteers](#): Lead outings, analyze Environmental Impact Statements, create displays, greet guest at events, testify at hearings, mail alerts, speak to school kids, call legislators, etc.
- [Oregon Wild](#). Works to protect and preserve Oregon's wildlands, wildlife and waters. Hikes and events. [Volunteers](#): Outdoor writing, photography, community events, activism.
 - [Portland Parks Foundation](#). Brings resources for the long-term stewardship of Portland's parks and park programs, and ensures that they remain publicly supported. [Volunteers](#): Attend and speak up at public meetings, blog about parks, submit photos.
 - [Rewild Portland](#). Educates the public on earth-based arts, traditions and technologies through educational workshops and programs and community-building. [Volunteers](#): Teach and facilitate classes, assist at Free Skill Services, outreach.
 - [Trailkeepers of Oregon](#). Maintenance and stewardship projects that preserve existing trails to avoid trail neglect. Committed to restoring proper funding and renewing public agency interest in trails. Provides on-line [Oregon Hikers Field Guide](#). [Volunteers](#): Hiking and trail advocates, outreach, trail work, communicating news, education.
 - [Willamette Riverkeepers](#). Works to protect and restore the Willamette River. [Volunteer](#): Restoration tasks, paddle trip assistant, help at outreach events, monitor water quality.
 - [Tualatin Riverkeepers](#). Dedicated to holistic watershed management for the Tualatin River and its 27 creeks for the benefit our communities. [Volunteers](#): Participate in watershed watch, as field trip or day camp leaders, in restoration plantings, and event helpers.
 - [The Wetlands Conservancy](#). Dedicated to conserving and promoting wetlands to support fish and wildlife, clean water, open space, public safety and appreciation of nature. [Volunteers](#): Restore wetlands, monitor beaver dams, plant native plants, remove invasives.
 - [Tryon Creek Watershed Council](#). Restores, protects, and enhances the ecological health and function of our unique urban watershed. [Volunteers](#): Restoration, cleanup, replant stream banks, remove invasive plants, lead teams, outreach and school education programs.
 - [Vancouver Watersheds Alliance](#). Works with City on community outreach, environmental restoration, promoting volunteerism and caring for water resources. [Volunteers](#): Families, individuals, college students and school groups; stewardship, outreach and office.
 - [Willamette Riverkeepers](#). Works to protect and restore the Willamette River. [Volunteer](#): Restoration tasks, paddle trip assistant, help at outreach events, monitor water quality; provide feedback.
 - [World Salmon Council](#). Provide experiential education and encounters with Pacific wild salmon to connect students and adults with nature and empower community engagement. Engages students in Salmon Watch program. [Volunteers](#): Teachers.

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