



Title: *Land Steward Supervisor*

Status: *40 hours per week, salary*

Overview

Supervisor of a team of three to four Land Stewards responsible for the care and stewardship of The Ojai Foundation's 36-acre facility in the Upper Ojai Valley. Embracing Dynamic Governance, identifying and doing what is needed in regards to the facilities, land, gardens and infrastructure in order to support the programs, priorities, vision and goals of TOF.

Requirements

- Works well individually and as part of a team in a community environment, and enjoys working and living in community with others.
- Has experience or is willing to learn the practice and other traditions of The Ojai Foundation including our core practice of Council.
- Has a love for and ample experience working with land and gardens.
- A wide range of contracting, building and hands-on handyman skills.
- Experience in facilities management.
- A background and experience in Permaculture practices and principles.
- Skills for plumbing, electrical, and basic construction.
- Knowledge of alternative energy and sustainable design including: earth building techniques, solar and gray water system.
- Ability to work outdoors in a semi-desert environment, and to lift up to 60 pounds.
- Attend meetings and trainings as it pertains to the Land Team

Responsibilities

- Care and management of the land-based facilities and systems (includes over 30 structures, numerous solar-electrical systems, propane tanks, utility lines, appliances and heaters, potable and irrigation water infrastructure, septic and gray-water systems, communications, fire rules and regulations, zoning and code compliance, and water drainage).
- Maintain and improve the highest possible standards of regenerative land stewardship. This will entail some understanding of Ventura County codes and policies so as to steward projects to completion within legal codes and parameters.
- Provide education about new and existing systems and best practices to other land-based community members and staff when appropriate.
- Personally provide physical skilled labor for regular maintenance and ongoing projects on the land in addition to working with and managing volunteers on land tasks when needed.
- Oversee and prioritize all aspects of facilities maintenance and repair, contracting outside help when necessary.
- Oversee and execute fire hazard reduction measures to meet Ventura fire codes.
- Support the balance between land use and regeneration.
- Manage the acquisition, maintenance, and disposal of tools, equipment and vehicles, including a working inventory of such assets.
- Work within the budgets for land maintenance costs and special projects.
- Be available for emergencies related to facilities and infrastructure. (i.e. water main break) And have the ability to resolve
- Be the go to person for government agencies associated with utilities and fire prevention.
- Report and communicate with local and state agencies as necessary. (i.e. Reporting for water and well use)
- Track budget and accounting for the land team expenses

Send Cover Letter and Resume to Julie Mino: julie@ojaifoundation.org.