

Volunteer Role Open: Bracken Garden Steward



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Time Commitment: 2-4 hours weekly, April-October Day of Week: Open, Wednesdays/Thursdays preferred Location: Efroymson Conservation Center, 620 E Ohio St, Indianapolis, IN 4202

Are you a whiz with native plants? Or maybe you are looking to get more experience with them? Come join the volunteer team at The Nature Conservancy! We are seeking an enthusiastic plant-lover to assist with the care and maintenance of our **native plant gardens** at our downtown Indianapolis Office.

The volunteer will assist the Operations team with seasonal garden care, including weeding, pruning, and cleaning of garden beds. This is a unique opportunity to learn more about Indiana's special native plants while giving back to TNC's conservation mission.

This volunteer role will enable us to create an even more welcoming headquarters for our staff, volunteers, donors, partners, and neighbors to enjoy.

Duties may include:

- Identifying non-native or invasive plants and weeding them from beds
- Cutting back overgrowth and to prepare garden for winter
- Cutting and treating non-native or invasive shrubs and trees
- Picking up litter and trash from property
- Sweeping back gravel or plant debris from pathways
- Planting extra native plants as needed

Desired experience or background:

- Able to identify common invasive plants
- Comfortable working outdoors in sun and heat
- Familiar with basic principles of gardening
- Familiar with basic garden tools
- Able to follow policies and procedures
- Comfortable working alone and following directions

If you are interested in contributing your time and skills, please contact **Esmé Barniskis at** <u>esme.barniskis@tnc.org</u>.

To learn more about other volunteer opportunities, visit our <u>website</u>.

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Our commitment to diversity includes the recognition that our conservation mission is best advanced by the leadership and contributions of people of all genders, diverse backgrounds, beliefs, and culture. Recruiting and mentoring staff to create an inclusive organization that reflects our global character is a priority, and we encourage applicants from all cultures, races, colors, religions, sexes, national or regional origins, ages, disability status, sexual orientation, gender identity, military, protected veteran status or other status protected by law.

