SERVICE-LEARNING YELLOW PAGES PLACEMENT SITE

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Name of Agency: Washington Trails Association

Volunteer Site Address: Sites Vary

Mailing Address: 705 2nd Ave. #300, Seattle, WA 98104

Agency Hours: 8 am - 4 pm, Mon - Fri

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Agency Description:

Washington Trails Association (WTA) is the voice for hikers in Washington State. WTA protects hiking trails and wild lands, takes thousands of volunteers out to maintain trails, and promotes hiking as a healthy, fun way to explore Washington. WTA also works to protect trails through lobbying and grassroots advocacy on issues that impact hikers, like trail funding and wilderness protection, by working closely with federal and state policymakers to advance hikers' interests in forest planning and new recreation projects.

Position Descriptions:

Member of volunteer trail team: Spend your day on trail, learning-through-action what goes into building and maintaining WA State's extensive trail system. Trail work parties take place in the backcountry, wilderness, and some parks closer to home. WTA has an opt-in carpooling system to help you coordinate ride sharing.

Days and hours students can serve in these positions:

Tues- Sunday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Minimum time commitment required of volunteers:

8 hours, most trails are 8:30am-3:30pm. We credit everyone with 8 hours of service to account for driving time.

What qualities, abilities and skills are important at your agency?

Ability to work outdoors and a desire to have fun and learn.

Is volunteer orientation provided? Yes.

Length of time students should budget for it: On trail

Is volunteer training provided? Yes.

Length of time students should budget for it: Volunteer training is built into the volunteer's first work party.

Is on-site supervision provided?

Yes, staff and volunteer leaders are present at every work party.

Number of Service-Learning positions available per quarter:

Unlimited. Our <u>volunteer webpage</u> has the information you need to get you started, including a link to our <u>work party schedule</u>, work party <u>FAQs</u>, and additional resources to prep for a day on trail with us. New work party dates and locations are regularly added to our schedule about 4-6 weeks in advance. After volunteering, email us requesting a "Volunteer Hours Verification Form", which details the hours and locations volunteered.