



Waterfront Botanical Gardens

Environmental Education Leadership Corps Member

Location: Waterfront Botanical Gardens (1435 Frankfort Ave, Louisville, KY 40206)

Service Hour Commitment: 900 service hours between March 1st and August 31st, 2025.

Living Allowance: \$10,000

For more detailed information and to apply click [here](#).

Summary:

The Environmental Education Leadership Corps program (EELCorps) is an AmeriCorps program of the Kentucky Environmental Education Council administered by Serve Kentucky and funded by AmeriCorps, the Agency.

EELCorps places members at sites across Kentucky. The goal of the program is to increase environmental literacy by increasing environmental education (EE), and access to EE lessons, programs, and activities in the areas members serve.

The main goal of EELCorps members is to create and implement EE with the intent to reach more Kentuckians, in the hope that individuals who participate will report an intent to change their behaviors regarding the environment.

Per AmeriCorps eligibility requirements, AmeriCorps members must:

- Be 17 years or older (no upper age limit)
- Be a U.S. citizen, U.S. National, or Lawful Permanent Resident Alien
- Be able and willing to undergo and pass a National Service Criminal History Check including:
 - A check of the National Sex Offender Public Registry



- o A State of Service check (Kentucky) and State of Residence check (state where member lives)
- o A fingerprint-based FBI check.

The ideal EELCorps member will have the following:

- A willingness to lead in-person or virtual lessons, activities, or programs,
- A positive and encouraging attitude
- A willingness to learn and implement best practices in EE and related fields
- Some background in environmental or outdoor education (preferred but not required).

Strong candidates for WBG's member position should:

- Be a strong public speaker that is comfortable teaching in front of small and large groups of learners using language that is polite and professional at all times.
- Be patient and empathetic to children regarding their unique skills and capabilities.
- Be willing to participate in outdoor activities in various weather conditions (including high heat and humidity).
- Feel comfortable standing for extended periods of time, kneeling, bending, and walking on paved or uneven terrain. Some light lifting is also required.

General responsibilities during service hours include:

- Assisting in the development of curriculum content for camps, field trips, Scout programs, and preschool story times.
- Teaching curriculum for camps, field trips, Scout programs, and preschool story times.
- Organizing materials before and after programs/classes.
- Assisting with the set up and break down/clean-up of classroom tables and chairs before and after classes/programs.

To apply:

Please fill out the application found [here](#) and also send a short letter of interest to: wpeck@waterfrontgardens.org.

Deadline for application submission is: February 21, 2025

**The Agency Serve Kentucky, the Kentucky Association for Environmental Education, and the Kentucky Environmental Education Council prohibit all forms of discrimination. This Program seeks to include participants from local communities and is available to all, without regard to race, color, national origin, disability, age, sex, political affiliation, or, in most instances, religion.

**Waterfront Botanical Gardens. (WBG) will not discriminate against applicants for this program on any legally recognized basis including, but not limited to, veteran status, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, physical or mental disability, age, or any other protected group status as defined by law. Waterfront Botanical Gardens will also not discriminate against applicants based on sexual orientation or gender identity