

Job Position Title: Urban Forester Intern

Timeframe: June 1st through mid-August, 2017; 24-32 hours per week

Rate: \$14-16 per hour

Canopy is an environmental nonprofit that plants and cares for trees where people need them the most in the San Francisco mid-peninsula area. We also endeavor to inspire youth to become stewards of the environment.

Position summary: Under the supervision of the Education Manager and Community Forestry Coordinator, the primary responsibility of the Urban Forester Intern (UFI) is to care for Canopy's young trees in Palo Alto, East Palo Alto, and neighboring communities. The UFI will lead Canopy's Teen Urban Forester (TUF) staff and volunteers in tree care work, which includes pruning, watering, mulching, adjusting stakes, and weeding. The UFI will gain leadership and work experience, make a positive impact in the community and the environment and work with local youth.

The ideal candidate is self-motivated, flexible, and enthusiastic about working with high school students and volunteers. Some experience with tree care or gardening is preferred, but not required. Training will be provided. This internship is well suited for an individual interested in urban forestry, environmental work, or a green career. This is a paid position, and the UFI will work part-time days on Wednesday through Saturday. Average weekly hours will be between 24 and 32 hours. The start date is June 1st and the end date in mid-August is flexible, with the possibility of continuing into the fall.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Pruning, weeding, mulching, occasional hand-watering, and general tree care
- Visiting sites and accessing tree conditions and needs
- Leading TUFs and groups of volunteers
- Leading work day demonstrations
- Helping at Canopy events
- Loading and unloading tools in the van
- Managing and repairing irrigation systems
- Entering data in to Canopy's database

Preferred Qualifications:

- High school graduate or current college student
- Experience leading groups of volunteers and/or high school students
- Tree care or gardening experience a plus
- Strong organizational and communication skills
- Hard working, flexible and responsible
- CA Driver's license and good driving record
- Resident of Palo Alto, East Palo Alto, or Menlo Park a plus

To apply: Please send a resume and cover letter to, <u>natalie@canopy.org</u>. To learn more about Canopy visit our website, <u>www.canopy.org</u>. Thank you!