

Assistant Land Steward – Summer 2025

Part-time, Seasonal | 20-25 hours per week April – September (Flexible start and end dates) Pay: \$17-\$25/hour, based on experience

Do you love working outdoors and want to make an impact on local conservation efforts? Join the Sharon Land Trust as an Assistant Land Steward and help protect and maintain some of Connecticut's most beautiful natural areas! This hands-on role is perfect for someone who enjoys physical work, learning new skills, and working with a team in the great outdoors.

Position Overview

The Assistant Land Steward supports the Stewardship Director in daily land management and trail maintenance across the Land Trust's preserves. The position works 5 days per week, 4-5 hours per day (including approximately 5 weekend days).

Key Responsibilities

- Assist in building and maintaining trails, removing invasive species, monitoring properties, and installing signage.
- Work with and lead volunteer groups on trail projects and habitat improvements.
- Ensure proper care and upkeep of tools and equipment.
- Engage with staff, board members, and the public, and contribute to social media and reporting efforts.
- Assist with mapping, documentation, and project planning.

Who We're Looking For

We're seeking motivated, reliable, and outdoors-loving individuals who are excited to work in conservation.

Minimum Requirements:

- At least 18 years old
- Reliable personal transportation (travel within 10-20 miles/day)
- Comfortable working outdoors in all weather conditions and remote locations
- Physically capable of:
 - Lifting up to 80 lbs
 - Carrying 40 lbs over 4 miles, with up to 500 feet elevation gain
 - Walking up to 8 miles per day with a light pack
 - Clearing brush, cutting wood, and working with dirt and rocks
- Punctual, organized, and a strong communicator
- Basic computer skills
- Passionate about the environment, conservation, and working outdoors

Preferred (but not required):

- Outdoor landscaping or other related hands-on experience
- Chainsaw and/or brush saw experience
- Experience with GSuite (Google Earth, Drive, Sheets, etc.)

- Social media skills (Facebook, Instagram, WordPress)
- Access to a personal cell phone

Why Join Us?

- Gain valuable, hands-on experience in conservation and land stewardship.
- Work outdoors in some of the most beautiful natural spaces in Connecticut.
- Build new skills and work with a passionate team dedicated to protecting the land.
- Flexible start and end dates!

How to Apply

We encourage applicants from all backgrounds, including those new to conservation work but eager to learn.

To apply, send your resume, a brief cover letter explaining your relevant experience and interest in the position, and two references to **timhunter@sharonlandtrust.org** by **March 15, 2025**.

We look forward to hearing from you!