

Currently we are still only open to the public on Fridays and Saturdays 9 am - 1 pm. We are working on a plan to open additional days during the week starting in 2022. When we open the Interpretive Center, we will be looking for volunteers for the following tasks:

### **Interpretive Center**

- Monitor the Interpretive Center and answer questions.
- Keep the Interpretive Center organized and neat.
- Answer the phone and take messages.

### **Some Of The Other Tasks That We Need Volunteers For:**

#### **Greeting guests**

- Handing out Trail guides and Scavenger Hunts for Kids and Kids at heart.
- Help guests take purchased plants to their cars.
- Count guests (incoming)
- Answer questions (training will be provided)

#### **ShIPLEY Representatives / Hosts**

- Represent Shipley Nature Center. Chat with the public to showcase Shipley Nature Center as location to visit Nature, attend seminars, take tours, explore the trails. Talk about volunteering. Possible locations: Shipley, Senior Center, Library, Earth Day booth, marathons, and community sponsored gatherings.

#### **Setting up and/or closing the greeting station**

- Walking the trails to identify possible safety hazards (training provided)

#### **Assist in Native Plant Nursery and gift shop**

- Provide information about the plants available.
- Check-out customers with credit card or cash payment.

#### **Nature Activities / Crafts**

- Lead nature activities for children and children at heart.
- Prepare nature activities; read books to children.
- Make informational boards; paint signs.

#### **Docent Tour Guide: Training is provided**

- Give tours on Saturdays to guests scheduled and unscheduled
- Give tours to Schools, families, clubs, (maximum number of people in tours is 10-15 per tour guide) during the week. These will be scheduled tours based on volunteer availability.

#### **Habitat maintenance**

- Clean benches, tables and signs that birds have defaced.
- Sweep the entrance path and walkway around the Interpretive Center.
- Weed potted plants in the nursery and retail area
- Weed, trim, mulch, compost, water nursery plants

#### **Seminars / Cool Summer Nights Program / Compost Seminars / Second Saturday**

- Assist will set-up and/or break-down
- Greet guests
- Check- in and Check-out Guests / Volunteers
- Handout appreciation certificates for volunteering at Shipley

#### **Children under 14 years of age**

- For children under 14 (with their parent or guardian as primary supervision), we will find age-appropriate tasks, time frames and train.