



LANGLEY ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERS SOCIETY

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Thank you for your interest in volunteering with Langley Environmental Partners Society.

LEPS has many different types of community groups that we engage including church groups, girl guides and boy scouts, home schooling groups, gardening clubs, and more. We strive to create a relationship that benefits both LEPS and the community group. Volunteering as a group at LEPS can have many rewards beyond the health benefits of being outdoors and getting physical exercise. Groups work together and enjoy the reward of team building, creating friendships, and of course there's lots of laughter!

Please take a minute to complete the following form to help us work with your group to start to create a meaningful volunteer experience.

We look forward to working with you,

The Team at LEPS
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Community Group Volunteer Application Form

Application Date: _____

Group Name	Contact Person Name
Email	Email (if different)
Phone	Phone (if different)
Address	

Please note the day(s) and time(s) your group is available to volunteer:

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
morning						
afternoon						

How frequently would you like to volunteer? (For example: 1shift/week, 1 shift/month, single volunteer event, etc). If you would like to volunteer on a specific date, please indicate the date and time.

Please note areas of interest: (check off the boxes that apply). Position descriptions and availability are at the end of this application form.

Storm Drain Marking Team	<input type="checkbox"/>	Planting Team	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gung-‘Hoe’ Gardeners	<input type="checkbox"/>	Native Plant Nursery Team	<input type="checkbox"/>
Anti-Ivy League	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Wise Team	<input type="checkbox"/>

How did your group hear about LEPS? (please circle one)

Friend Newspaper Community event

Other: _____

Please indicate any specific skills/knowledge your community group will bring to LEPS.

Why does your group want to volunteer with LEPS?

**** This information will be kept confidential and only used to contact you for the purposes of volunteer and support opportunities, upcoming events, and other LEPS news.***

Community Group Volunteer Opportunity Descriptions

(This list is intended to be examples of volunteer opportunities and should NOT be considered comprehensive. Please note, some positions are seasonal)

- Position Title:** **Gung-‘hoe’ Gardeners (spring, summer, and fall)**
- Purpose:** The Langley Demonstration Garden is used to educate the public about environmentally friendly gardening techniques, water wise gardening, and native plant gardening. LEPS also hosts workshops, events, and children’s camps at the garden.
- Responsibilities and Activities:** LEPS needs help maintaining and enhancing the Langley Demonstration Garden beds. Volunteer groups can assist by coming to the garden and helping staff to weed, trim, water, transplant, rake, compost debris, and interact with visitors answering or referring questions to staff.
- Position Title:** **Storm Drain Marking Team (spring and summer)**
- Purpose:** To remind residents in the City of Langley and Township of Langley that all drains lead to fish habitat. All items (paint, gasoline, garbage, etc) that go down storm drains get flushed directly, into rivers and streams.
- Responsibilities and Activities:** Community groups are expected sign out a storm drain marking kit and return it when indicated. Volunteers need to work in small groups to paint yellow fish, using stencils along storm drains in the Township and City of Langley. Volunteers need to follow the instructions provided in the storm drain marking kits and to only mark drains at safe locations (as indicated on the provided maps) and to distribute educational flyers in neighborhoods where storm drain marking has recently occurred. Volunteers are not to knock on doors, only to distribute information packages.
- Position Title:** **Water Wise Team (spring and summer)**
- Purpose:** To educate Township residents about the importance of groundwater resources and the need to protect them. Through door-to-door outreach and community events we provide residents with practical information on how to protect the quality and quantity of our local drinking water supply. The Water Wise program at LEPS is a joint initiative between LEPS and the Township of Langley.
- Responsibilities and Activities:** Spread the word with our Door-to-door Outreach Team which is made up of pairs or small groups of LEPS staff and volunteers. Community groups can also assist with preparation of outreach materials (folding brochures, assembling packages to be delivered).

Position Title: **Planting Team (fall and spring)**

Purpose of position: Langley is home to many endangered and threatened species including the Salish sucker and Nooksack dace (these are both fish), red-legged frogs and Oregon spotted frogs and many more. Enhancing habitat is critical to the survival of these species. Planting streamside property with native plants in order to enhances habitat for both aquatic and terrestrial species.

Responsibilities and Activities: Community groups are expected to follow instructions regarding the proper planting of native vegetation. Volunteers assist with site clean-up (tidy up empty pots) and possible installation of beaver caging. All volunteers are expected to dress appropriately for the weather because this job is rain or shine. All tools are supplied.

Position Title: **Native Plant Nursery Team (year round)**

Description: LEPS runs a native plant nursery near the Murrayville Community Garden. The nursery serves several purposes: it allows LEPS to store and organize plants for a short period when we do large plantings, it allows us to salvage native plants from development sites and harden off the plants before replanting them at restoration sites, we also hope to use the site for educational purposes.

Responsibilities and Activities: Volunteers assist with care for the native plants in the nursery before they are planted out at restoration this includes working with LEPS staff to remove weeds from pots, repot plants when needed, assisting with organization of the nursery and plant identification and assisting with site clean-up and weeding beds.

Position Title: **Anti-Ivy League (year round)**

Purpose of position: An invasive species is a plant or animal living outside its normal habitat that displays aggressive and rapid growth. Left unchecked, invasive species will quickly out-compete native species and eventually become dominant, reducing habitat for local plants and animals.

Responsibilities and Activities: Volunteers will assist with the removal of invasive plants through use of small tools and manual labor while learning basic plant identification. All tools are provided. Volunteers are expected to wear appropriate footwear and dress appropriately for the weather as invasive removals occur rain or shine.