



City of Oak Ridge Stormwater

<http://stormwater.oakridgetn.gov/>

Mission

The mission of the City of Oak Ridge stormwater team is to enhance the quality of local waterways and enrich natural habitat in local urban areas. Stormwater addresses issues such as water quality and runoff control and best management practices. Broadening public support and involvement is key in keeping local water sources healthy and sustainable. The stormwater team manages the Healthy Waters program focusing on community education and engagement through volunteerism. Through these projects, the team hopes to facilitate discussion on stormwater management in our community.



Position Description

The City of Oak Ridge is looking for qualified and motivated individuals to assist in developing and maintaining its stormwater program. As a recently mandated Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4), the City of Oak Ridge gives members a unique opportunity to assist in creating the city's stormwater program under the direction of the Stormwater Program Coordinator. This position provides a good mix of office and field work as well as a variety of experiences and opportunities.

The AmeriCorps members' main role is to manage the Healthy Waters program, which focuses on education and outreach related to stormwater quality. This includes working with students of all ages as well as the general public. This role allows for creative freedom and experiences in project management. AmeriCorps members also gain technical skills such as GPS and GIS while working in the field conducting stream surveys and monitoring the city's waterways and stormwater infrastructure.

Duties

- Plan and host educational presentations and workshops for K-12 students, after school clubs, homeowners and city employees
- Create new partnerships with community organizations to promote stormwater education and expand the reach of the Healthy Waters Program
- Plan and coordinate community volunteer events aimed at improving water quality in Oak Ridge
- Recruit and train volunteers for Oak Ridge's Adopt-A-Stream Program
- Bring information to the public by tabling at community events
- Maintain a strong social media presence for the Healthy Waters Program
- Conduct stream surveys to identify possible problem areas and future projects
- Screen pipe outfalls for possible illicit discharges into streams
- Assist in mapping City of Oak Ridge stormwater infrastructure using GPS and GIS
- Assist with pre-inspections of construction sites and municipal Stormwater Pollution Prevention measures in city departments
- Collaborate with AmeriCorps members from other city stormwater departments, and non-profit organizations to plan and accomplish larger projects in Oak Ridge and other municipalities
- Work with other environmental and community groups to promote awareness of stormwater issues
- Other duties and projects may arise as the City of Oak Ridge Stormwater program continues to grow.

