

## 2025 Knox County Park District Internship

## **Duties & Responsibilities:**

- Control invasive plant species within woodlands, prairies, and other park properties
- Maintain hiking trails, multi-use trails, and water trails
- ♦ Maintain Litter Trail, Storybook Trail, Children's Natural Play Area, Butterfly Transect Trail and Eastern Bluebird Trails
- Assist Operation Managers with string trimming, weeding and mulching; kiosks, benches, picnic areas, and entrance signs for parks, river accesses, and multi-use trails,
- ♦ Assist volunteers with monitoring and project opportunities
- Develop and present at least one educational interpretive program
- Assist with Knox County Park District programs and events, create a County Fair booth display with activities
- Write nature-related articles and take photos for e-newsletter, Facebook and Instagram
- Develop printed educational materials for kiosks
- Mark park property boundaries and assist with trail establishment
- Monitor and conduct surveys of various nesting/roosting structures; wood duck, barn owl, bat

## Qualifications, Education &/or Experience:

- ♦ Must currently be enrolled as a college or university student in Natural Resources, Environmental Sciences, Wildlife Management, Biology or any closely related field
- Experience in ecosystem management, wildlife management and interpretive programming preferred
- Strong desire to work outside in most weather conditions, occasional strenuous physical labor required
- ♦ Able to work independently or with a team

## **Internship Details:**

- ♦ Position pays \$14 per hour
- ♦ 35 hours or less per week; not to exceed a total of 420 hours for the duration of the internship
- Seasonal employment, beginning on or after May 12, 2025 and ending on or before August 15, 2025
- ♦ Occasional early morning, evening, weekend days required
- ♦ KCPD is willing to work with student attended college or university so student may gain college internship credit
- On-grounds housing offered, free of charge
- The most qualified candidates will be contacted for an interview

**To Apply:** Send cover letter and resume by 5 p.m. March 9, 2025 to:

Brandon Schroepfer
Natural Resource Manager & Naturalist
Knox County Park District
117 East High Street, Suite 253
Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050
OR email to:

brandonschroepfer@knoxcounty.oh.gov