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**Become an AmeriCorps Member with Eastern Sierra Land Trust**

Do you love the Eastern Sierra? Want to help restore and protect its wonders, while gaining valuable environmental professional experience?

If so, there's a great work opportunity open now: apply today to become a Sierra Nevada AmeriCorps Partnership (SNAP) AmeriCorps Member with local Bishop-based nonprofit, Eastern Sierra Land Trust!

Eastern Sierra Land Trust (ESLT) is seeking an enthusiastic, conservation-minded young leader to commit to 11 months of service to help protect land, water, and wildlife in the Eastern Sierra.

As ESLT's Education Coordinator, this new full-time team member will collaborate on restoration, education, and outreach projects that engage the local community in conservation. He or she will gain skills and technical training, mentor with outstanding environmental leaders in the area, and receive an education award at the successful completion of service.

Eastern Sierra Land Trust's next Education Coordinator will continue conservation work begun by previous SNAP members working with ESLT. Since the Sierra Nevada Alliance began the program in 2007, ESLT has hosted 12 AmeriCorps members – many of whom have gone on to play other important roles in the local conservation community.

Sara Kokkelenberg – now ESLT's full-time Stewardship Coordinator – is one. After serving two 11-month service terms with ESLT, Sara was chosen from among more than 4,000 AmeriCorps participants across the state as the winner of California's 2015 Volunteering and Service Award for *AmeriCorps Member of the Year*.

The next AmeriCorps member working with Eastern Sierra Land Trust will lead ESLT's Eastside Pollinator Garden Project, now in its fourth year of certifying pollinator-friendly gardens across the region. He or she will be responsible for organizing youth and adult environmental education programs, field trips, seminars, workshops, and volunteer workdays – as well as collaborating on important habitat restoration projects, including post-fire restoration work in the Round Valley Mule Deer herd's migration corridor.

The service term for this position starts in October 2017, and runs through September 2018. The application deadline is July 26<sup>th</sup>, so candidates are encouraged to apply soon by visiting the Sierra Nevada Alliance website, [sierranevadaalliance.org](http://sierranevadaalliance.org).

ESLT is a nationally-accredited organization that works with willing landowners and the public to protect wild and working lands in the Eastern Sierra for their scenic, agricultural, natural, recreational, historical, and watershed values.

For more information about Eastern Sierra Land Trust, the SNAP program, and this position – including specific responsibilities, qualifications, details on compensation, and how to apply – please visit ESLT’s website at [www.eslt.org](http://www.eslt.org).

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*Sample low-resolution images with captions are displayed below; high-resolution images are attached to email. For additional images, please contact Marguerite at [marguerite@eslt.org](mailto:marguerite@eslt.org).*



*Caption: AmeriCorps members working in our community can have a major impact. Past ESLT AmeriCorps Member, Sara Kokkelenberg, was recognized as California’s AmeriCorps Member of the Year in 2015 - she now works full-time for ESLT as their Stewardship Coordinator.*



*Caption: Teaching local kids about bees, blooms, and the magic of nature is one of the important and fun jobs that ESLT’s AmeriCorps Member takes on each year.*