Friends of the Jesse Street Marsh

General Information

- Agency: Friends of the Jesse St Marsh
- Sponsor: Vicki Winters
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- Address: 525 Barson St
- # of Interns Need/Hours: 1-2 interns 6 hrs/week
- Quarters Needed: Fall, Spring, Summer

Description of Internship

The Friends of Jessie St. Marsh is a community organization dedicated to bringing together resources to protect and restore the Jessie St. Marsh, a remnant tidal marsh in the Lower Ocean Neighborhood of Santa Cruz. FJSM is seeking an intern to assist with community outreach and education. Interns will:

- Draft printed environmental education materials for social media postings, brochures, and interpretive signage (text, video, photography, illustration)
- Do independent research on wetlands habitats for interpretive materials, may also require research into source policy documents
- Assist with special event planning and preparation.
- Assist in construction of a tabletop marsh model and in developing wetlands curriculum/activities to demonstrate the importance of wetlands for flood control and water quality.
- Canvass and distribute literature to residents surrounding the Marsh, many of whom are monolingual Spanish.

Prerequisites

- Basic knowledge of wetlands habitats, or willingness to do independent research
- Good written communication skills, especially the ability to express environmental science concepts in clear, simple language for a general audience
- Spanish language ability a strong plus
- Experience with social media: Facebook, Instagram, Wordpress. We may use HootSuite to manage accounts and schedule postings
- Photography or Illustration skills (or both!)
- Not afraid to get a little muddy :-}