

Summer Internship



Position Title: Project Coordinator

Organization: Friends of the Shiawassee River

Location: Shiawassee River Watershed Region
538 N. Shiawassee St., Corunna, MI

Term: May - August 2026 (possible extension through September)

Status: Seasonal Paid Internship

Position Summary

The Project Coordinator will support the implementation and coordination of summer conservation, recreation, and community engagement initiatives that promote stewardship and public use of the Shiawassee River. This position involves field-based project work, volunteer coordination, and collaboration with community partners to advance watershed protection efforts. The individual will work alongside staff, volunteers, and the Executive Director to serve the mission of the organization and help teach others to Care. Share and Enjoy the Shiawassee River.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Support River Cleanup Week (July 18–25, 2026) and additional summer maintenance events
- Coordinate Storm Drain Stenciling activities in partnership with the Shiawassee Conservation District (EGLE Grant)
- Assist with stream monitoring and other environmental projects
- Support community recreation and engagement events (e.g., guided paddles, clinics, discovery days)
- Coordinate volunteer workdays (e.g., invasive species removal, trail maintenance)
- Assist with educational outreach and public engagement activities
- Identify and collaborate with community partners to develop educational programs
- Track project outcomes and assist with documentation and reporting
- Support development of environmentally focused programs related to water conservation, proper waste disposal, and recycling

Minimum Qualifications

- Interest in environmental science, natural resources, recreation management, or a related field
- Strong organizational and communication skills
- Ability to work outdoors in varying weather conditions
- Reliable transportation
- Ability to work independently and self-manage

Preferred Experience

- Experience volunteering or working in environmental or outdoor programs
- Event planning or volunteer coordination
- Interest in water quality, conservation, or outdoor recreation
- Experience working with community groups or youth programming
- Experience in information technology (IT) and/or grant writing

Application Instructions

Please submit a resume directly to Kim Lazar at executivedirector@shiawasseeiver.org