

**Title:** Environmental Education and Stewardship Specialist for Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary

**Location:** Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary Office in Port Angeles, WA

**Commitment:** Full time (40 hr/wk), 10.5 months (1700+ service hours)

**Start Date** (estimated): Sept 16 2026

**End Date** (estimated): July 31 2027

**Monthly stipend:** \$3157 (before taxes)

**Benefits:** Option to opt in to basic health insurance coverage from Washington Service Corps & Segal Education Award upon completion of 1700 service hours. Read more about Washington Service Corps Benefits [here](#).

**Site Staff:** Christine VanDeen (Education Associate) & Chris Butler Minor (Outreach Specialist)

**\*\*This is an AmeriCorps/Washington Service Corps national service position - interested applicants will need to apply via the Washington Service Corps/AmeriCorps portal\*\***

<https://my.americorps.gov/mp/listing/viewListing.do?id=74731>

### **What we're looking for:**

This is an AmeriCorps/Washington Service Corps national service position. It is contingent on funding and open until filled.

NOAA's Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary was designated in 1994. It is one of the nation's most treasured ocean areas and home to many marine mammals, seabirds, fish, and invertebrate communities. The area is culturally significant and has supported humans since time immemorial. We aim to protect the Olympic Coast's natural and cultural resources through responsible stewardship, use research to drive preservation, and grow understanding through outreach and education.

We are looking to fill two Environmental Education and Stewardship Specialist positions with individuals who are interested in sharing ocean and environmental science with K-12 students and larger community audiences. This role directly supports Sanctuary goals to raise awareness, foster stewardship, and encourage conservation of America's ocean and Great Lakes treasures.

Ideal candidates will have science backgrounds and/or teaching experience, or experience working with students at the K-5 level.

Selected service members will conduct public outreach and education and lead volunteer stewardship activities. Due to the nature of some of our programming, applicants should be comfortable lifting up to 50 lbs and able to walk up to 3 miles on rocky, uneven terrain.

This is an in-person position with regular travel to the outer coast for programming. Travel expenses will be supported by the host site as needed.

**Some of what you'll do:**

- Schedule and lead regular K-12 programming for students in communities adjacent to Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary.
- Support and participate in stewardship activities including annual beach cleanups hosted by Washington CoastSavers.
- Support recruitment and training of Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary volunteers.
- Conduct sanctuary focused public outreach and engagement through partner organizations and community events.
- Develop and plan engaging social media outreach content for Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary in accordance with federal guidelines and review processes.
- Complete national service program requirements including: reporting, trainings, and community service projects based around National Days of Service (refer to Member Service Agreement or [washingtonservicecorps.org](http://washingtonservicecorps.org) for details).

**Required Requirements:**

- Able to lift up to 50 lbs and traverse up to 3 miles of rocky uneven terrain
- Ability to successfully complete both Washington Service Corps required fingerprinting and background checks as well as Federal fingerprinting and background checks.
- At least a high school diploma or GED.
- Must be at least 17 years old at the time you start serving.
- Must be a U.S. citizen, national or lawful permanent resident alien.
- Must maintain a valid driver's license and proof of vehicle insurance.
- Ability and willingness to work and communicate with audiences from a variety of backgrounds, ages, and learning styles.
- Flexibility and willingness to work in a dynamic environment.
- Ability and willingness to work in a team environment to support educational programming and sanctuary priorities.

**Preferred Requirements:**

- Engaging energy and enthusiasm for ocean and environmental science.
- Experience working with K-12 students and/or community audiences.
- Experience in planning and/or supporting community stewardship opportunities.
- Familiarity with (or willingness to learn about) Olympic Coast or greater Pacific Northwest coastal and aquatic ecosystems, environments, and issues.