



Hackensack Riverkeeper, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit clean-water advocacy organization based in Hackensack, NJ, seeks part-time seasonal staff at our three Paddling Centers for the 2022 season. The season begins Saturday, April 23 and runs through Sunday, October 16, 2022, weather and conditions permitting. The Center sites are:

- **Paddling Center at Laurel Hill Park**, Secaucus, NJ - Open weekends and Monday holidays. Site rents canoes and kayaks. Some evening hours (weekend *and* weekdays) are required for Moonlight Guided Paddles.
- **Overpeck Park Kayak Center**, Teaneck, NJ - Open weekends and Monday holidays. Also, open weekdays from 6/20 thru 9/2/22. Site rents canoes, kayaks and stand-up paddleboards. Some evening hours may be required.
- **Van Buskirk Island Park**, Oradell, NJ – 2022 will be the first year of operation at this site. Operating hours and types of boats are in process of being determined.

Regardless of site, this job is going to be fast-paced and strenuous at times but will also provide many enjoyable – *and profitable* – hours working at beautiful waterside locations. All necessary training will be provided.

Responsibilities Include:

- Following COVID-19 safety protocols at *all* times – from greeting to goodbye
- Processing boat rentals and guided paddler check-ins, securely handling cash and credit card payments; fitting paddlers with PFDs and gear
- Providing paddling and safety instruction to paddlers and monitoring their progress
- Lifting, carrying and safely launching/retrieving canoes, kayaks and SUPs
- Launching, driving*, retrieving and securing our powered safety boat
- Rescuing paddlers from overturned boats (by safety boat* and/or by kayak)
- Washing / sanitizing boats and gear after each use; keeping site neat and tidy
- Staffing our (offsite) 2022 Reservoir Paddle Series
- Sharing information about Hackensack Riverkeeper, environmental issues and wildlife

Requirements:

- Be fully vaccinated (including up-to-date booster/s) against COVID-19
- Ability to lift heavy boats, including over one's head, onto racks
- Professional, presentable and friendly demeanor; ease in speaking with the public
- Ability to swim
- Reliable transportation
- Extensive paddling experience and/or safety training is preferred

- First Aid / CPR Certifications a plus
- New Jersey Boating Safety Certificate a plus (**required* for safety boat operators)
- Fluency in a second language (e.g., Spanish, Korean, Arabic, Hindi, etc.) a plus

Compensation: \$15 per hour

Send your resume/references with cover letter to info@hackensackriverkeeper.org.

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