



2024 Delaware River Watershed Fellowship
at Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership (TTF)

Start date: June 3-12, 2024

End date: August 16-23, 2024

The Delaware River Watershed Fellowship is a 12 week, paid summer job opportunity designed to introduce young people from local communities to careers in environmental education. Fellows are hired at one of 23 environmental education centers across the Delaware River Watershed. Fellows participate in training sessions to help prepare them for a summer of helping people connect with nature and informing their local communities about issues affecting the Delaware River, the source of drinking water for 15 million people living in the region.

Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership (TTF), a member of the [Alliance for Watershed Education \(AWE\)](#), is seeking to hire a Fellow from Juniata Park and other neighborhoods surrounding Tacony Creek Park (TCP) to help connect with local community members around protecting the Delaware River and its waterways.

Position Location: TTF is located in the Globe Dye Works in Frankford, 4500 Worth St. Philadelphia PA 19124. The Fellow will spend much of their time in and around Tacony Creek Park, in lower Northeast Philadelphia.

Compensation: Fellows are paid \$16.25/hr, 35-40 hours a week over the summer.

Duties:

- Fellows will participate in a 3 day watershed education training, at the Pocono Environmental Education Center (overnight, June 12-14.) <http://www.peec.org/>
- Fellows will help their host Center lead programs and activities, whether in-person or virtually, for community members and visitors to their site.
- Fellows will attend in-person meetings with Fellows from other AWE Centers.
- With guidance from their supervisor and mentors, Fellows will focus their efforts on a specific Capstone Project and present their work at the end-of-program Summit event (August 16).
- Fellows will document their progress by completing a short log report every week.

The **Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership (TTF)** Fellow will specifically:

– Communicate and share materials and information with Tacony Creek Park users, neighborhood residents, organizations, and businesses through emails, phone calls, social media, canvassing, attending community meetings, and spending time in TCP.



- Community outreach surrounding the Tacony Creek Park Master Plan to begin prioritizing and implementing Master Plan tasks, such as establishing youth programming.
- Assist with environmental education and programming along the trail.
- Assist with trail maintenance, including debris or trash clean up, as well as daily office tasks as needed.

Qualifications and Experience:

- Age 18+ by June 3, 2024 start date.
- A background in environmental education is not required.
- Familiarity with the Lower Northeast Philadelphia and Tacony Creek Park, and Philadelphia residence preferred.
- Conversational Spanish, Vietnamese or other languages are a plus.
- Occasional evening and weekend hours required.
- Valid state driver’s license OR proficient with public transportation.
- Enjoy working outdoors and in public spaces.
- A positive attitude and willingness to greet visitors and start conversation with strangers.

Essential dates:

- June 3, 2023: Fellow start date at Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership (TTF) *(Fellows may arrange with their Supervisor to begin any time within the first week of the program.)*
- June 12-14: Fellowship Orientation (overnight) at Pocono Environmental Education Center. *(Meals, transportation and accommodations provided.)*
- August 16: Watershed Fellowship Summit (location to be announced).
- August 23: Last day of Fellowship (Fellows may finish their term of service any time after the August 16 Summit as needed.)

How to apply:

Email a resume and cover letter: julie@ttfwatershed.org

Point of Contact for Applicants: Julie Slavet

Supervisor Name and title: Justin DiBerardinis, Executive Director

Application Deadline: Wednesday, April 26, 2024

More about Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership (TTF):

The Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Watershed Partnership’s mission is to improve the health and vitality of the Tookany/Tacony-Frankford Creek and watershed — which includes neighborhoods in North, Northeast, and Northwest Philadelphia and Abington, Cheltenham, Jenkintown, Rockledge, and Springfield in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania — by engaging our communities in education, stewardship, restoration, and advocacy. Working closely with our communities, we support the Philadelphia Water Department’s Green City, Clean Waters 25-year plan to protect our watershed by



managing stormwater with innovative green infrastructure. We implement and encourage these same strategies with partners in our upstream communities.

More about the Alliance for Watershed Education:

Organized in 2016, the Alliance for Watershed Education of the Delaware River is a regional initiative of twenty-three partnering environmental education centers. Each of these centers is located along the [Circuit Trail](#) or a major connecting trail, and on waterways throughout the Delaware River Watershed in Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania.