

Hoosier Environmental Council Mounds Greenway Coordinator



About the Opportunity

The Hoosier Environmental Council seeks a Mounds Greenway Coordinator to support the promotion, implementation, and expansion of the Mounds Greenway plan in East Central Indiana. HEC seeks a leader, organizer, and coalition builder who is well-versed in community trails and related issues.

The Mounds Greenway plan will:

- Conserve the free-flowing West Fork of the White River and its floodplain forests, wetlands, and other natural communities by creating a high-quality linear park and trail system following the river.
- Conserve and enhance the historic and cultural resources in the river valley.
- Connect trails in Muncie and Anderson and build a regional recreational network that eventually will stretch throughout east central Indiana, and to central Indiana via a greenway extension along the White River to Indianapolis.
- Create economic opportunity by enhancing the region's quality of place and stimulating entrepreneurial investment.

The ideal candidate will:

- Currently reside in Madison or Delaware County Indiana, and have strong ties to the community.
- Have an environmental/sustainability background, or a personal interest in related issues
- Have experience with community organizing and outreach and/or political advocacy
- Have experience with project management

Preferred Characteristics

- Experience working with trails, tourism, and/or outdoor recreation.
- Experience with marketing and/or outreach, sales, and/or event planning.
- Possess an understanding of (or desire to learn) Indiana county and municipal government and the civic and political processes necessary to achieve long-term goals of the project.
- Be comfortable engaging with civic and municipal leaders to promote the value of community trails and advocate for connectivity of communities in East Central Indiana.
- Be an effective communicator in both written and oral communication and have the ability to share complicated issues through simple relatable messaging.
- Be able to build and maintain strong relationships for the purpose of furthering the Mounds Greenway plan.
- Work collaboratively with other member(s) of the Mounds Greenway Team at the Hoosier Environmental Council.

Job Responsibilities

Additional job responsibilities of the Mounds Greenway Coordinator will be to:

- Promote the implementation of the Mounds Greenway plan via email newsletters, public meetings, presentations, workshops, tabling at events and social media.
- Organize and implement events, such as the Ride for the Mounds bike ride, nature walks, and an annual Mounds Greenway Coalition meeting that engage the East Central Indiana community and promotes the Mounds Greenway plan.

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- Organize and utilize talents and interest of volunteers, community and business supporters
- Think creatively and strategically about how to further the adoption of the Mounds Greenway plan in East Central Indiana.
- Monitor, promote, and engage at the Statehouse occasionally in legislation related to trail funding and related quality of life initiatives.
- Work with other Mounds Greenway Team member(s) to develop, implement, and support strategies that promote the importance and benefits of the Mounds Greenway plan to community members and decision makers.
- Assist with grant writing and fundraising to support the Mounds Greenway plan.
- Seek out, understand, and communicate trail funding opportunities for municipalities.

HEC seeks professionals who are passionate about our mission and who work collaboratively, creatively, and strategically to advance HEC's mission and objectives. This part-time position (approx. 20 hours) will report directly to the executive director. HEC provides competitive pay and flexible work hours and location.

About HEC

As a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 1983, Hoosier Environmental Council has brought together a talented and committed team who care deeply about Hoosier quality of life and our environment and believe the two are intricately connected. HEC is guided by science, a deep appreciation of nature, and an understanding that every community and every individual deserves to live without harassment and ill effects of harmful environmental policy and practices.

To Apply

This is an exciting and critical time to work at HEC. Indiana is seeing increasing opportunity and demand from business leaders, public sentiment, faith communities and federal, state, and municipal dollars to address issues related to climate change and the environment. HEC is a meaningful platform, and this is a pivotal time for someone like you to make a difference. To apply, please send resume and cover letter to careers@hecweb.org.