



Butte Environmental Council Internship Opportunities –Fall 2018

BEC is a nonprofit environmental organization based in downtown Chico. Our mission is to protect and defend the land, air and water of Butte County and the surrounding region through action, advocacy and education. Since 1975, BEC has had a significant voice in shaping the environment and policies of Butte County and beyond.

BEC has office space just west of downtown Chico, next to Azad's Martial Arts on Walnut Street. Interns and volunteers will be provided work space in the BEC office as needed and will have opportunities to earn credit for hours in and out of the office. Interns will have a focus area but will also have opportunities to work with a variety of programs, projects, and events at BEC and will get a varied and diverse experience.

BEC has openings for the following positions:

- Events Intern Coordinator(s)
- Watershed Intern
- Energy Conservation Intern
- Public Relations / Social Media Intern
- Oak Restoration Project/Garden Intern
- Nonprofit Management

Events Intern Coordinator(s)

We have several large annual events and many smaller events, from community cleanups to fundraisers, and festivals for children. Each spring or fall, we have plenty of hands-on opportunities for 4 - 5 people to work on event planning, either as a team or independently. **Must be available Saturday September 15th.**

Watershed Intern (2)

Watershed interns at BEC have the opportunity to acquire a deeper understanding of watershed function by collaborating with local leaders and the community at large. Watershed intern will assist the watershed program coordinator at community events, BEC Ed-venture Outings, and Block Parties with a purpose. We are looking for students interested in participating in a variety of activities such as writing press releases, creating educational materials, and conducting research on behalf of the local watersheds. This internship provides a hands-on project experience as well as a chance to understand how a non-profit runs. **Must be available Saturday September 15th.**

Energy Conservation Intern (2)

BEC's energy conservation education program educates the public about ways to save money, energy, water and natural resources. We are looking for an individual who loves public speaking, to help coordinate and staff a booth at public events. Training on energy conservation will be provided.

An interest in environmental health education is an added bonus with experience creating lesson plans and educational materials.

Public Relations / Social Media Intern

Ideal for a PR/Journalism student but can also be a great fit for Marketing or Communications majors. The PR intern will work closely with the BEC staff on all media and publicity pieces, from press releases and PSAs, to updating the website, social media, newsletters and tracking our media coverage. The role is primarily focused on publicity and marketing efforts. Strong writing skills are a must. Additional skills such as graphic design, video, marketing and public outreach are welcome assets for the person in this position.

Oak Restoration Project/Garden Intern

This position offers knowledge of oak woodlands in Butte County and their current conditions along with hands on experience in BEC's active restoration project in Upper Bidwell Park. BEC hosts two community gardens in Chico, at Oak Way and Humboldt Rd. This intern will assist in all aspects of the garden, primarily handling administrative and communication tasks. Intern will work closely with staff, Board members, Garden Committee and Gardeners. All training will be provided. Work setting is a mix of in-office administrative tasks with time spent outdoors at the garden site. Tasks involve: communicating via phone/email, helping with fundraising; organizing

garden work days; publicity & outreach, organizing gardening workshops; maintaining kiosk; and participating in the monthly garden committee meetings. **Must be available on Sundays (mornings).** Truck or SUV preferred.

Nonprofit Management Intern (2)

Are you interested in learning how nonprofits operate? This intern will work closely with our Business Manager and learn the business of running a nonprofit community-based organization. From fundraising to donor cultivation, seasonal outreach campaigns and grant management, this internship will provide a hands-on opportunity for anyone interested in the administrative side of a nonprofit.

For general inquiries about our internship program, contact Natalie Carter or Angel Gomez. We'll set up a placement interview where you can meet with the program coordinator to learn more about the position or consider multiple positions at BEC.

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