



City of Havre de Grace

Summer 2026 ~Volunteer

Track 2 ~ Secondary Students

Habitat Management Internships

Posting Date: March 5, 2026 ~ Application Deadline: May 15, 2026

Restore. Protect. Lead.

Spend a small part of your summer making a visible, lasting impact on one of Maryland's most beautiful waterfront communities.

Havre de Grace - a vibrant waterfront city where the Susquehanna River meets the Chesapeake Bay - is seeking motivated **students to join our Habitat Management Internship Program.**

Interns will work directly under the mentorship of the City's Manager of Living Shorelines, Jodie Shivery, gaining hands-on experience managing and restoring approximately 15 acres of high-profile ecological landscape. This is applied conservation in action.

If you're interested in pursuing a career in environmental science, landscape architecture, ecology, conservation, or another green industry, this internship offers real-world field experience that strengthens your resume and your skillset.

What You'll Gain

Interns receive immersive, field-based training in:

- Native plant identification and management
- Urban and natural pollinator habitat management
- Ecologically focused tidal, and MD Critical Area buffer management
- Integrated Pest Management (IPM) strategies
- Invasive species identification, and cultural management
- Identification of poisonous and stinging plants and insects and their practical tolerance

End the summer with practical coastal landscape habitat management skills.

Who Should Apply

We're looking for students (**rising 6 through 12 grades**) who:

- Are pursuing educational interest or careers in green industries
 - Thrive outdoors in natural environments
 - Demonstrate initiative, reliability, and a positive attitude
 - Work well as part of a team
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Work Environment

This is an active, outdoor internship experience. Interns can expect:

- Heat, humidity, light rain, and natural terrain. Extreme care will be taken to avoid contact with stinging bees and poisonous plants
 - to lift 25 pounds, perform tasks requiring bending, crawling and standing conditions with the use of hand gardening tools.
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Internship Details

Dates: July 13 to August 13, 2026

Picnic and Certificate of Completion Ceremony: August 13, 11:30am to 1:30pm

Schedule: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday | 8:00am to 2:00pm

Location: 2 Jerry Foster Way, Havre de Grace, MD 21078

How to Apply

Email the following materials to Jodies@havredegracemd.com

- Cover letter describing your interest
 - One letter of recommendation (current or former teacher)
 - Three personal references (with phone numbers)
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Make Your Summer Matter

Help steward one of Maryland's most treasured waterfront environments.

Join us and be part of restoring, protecting, and sustaining Havre de Grace's natural landscapes for generations to come.