## Assistant Director—Bull Run Mountains Conservancy Job Description

Bull Run Mountains Conservancy is seeking a motivated and responsible Assistant Director who will work closely with the Executive Director to nurture and grow BRMC's education and research programs. The Assistant Director will be passionate about promoting the preservation of the land and biodiversity on and around the Bull Run Mountains and encouraging and developing an appreciation of this landscape in our community.

A successful candidate will develop programs to promote BRMC's education and research endeavors by engaging with our members, community stakeholders, and the general public. He/she will assist with writing grants and soliciting support to sustain and grow these endeavors and promote communication of these endeavors to our member base and community. On a day to day basis, the Assistant Director will also handle tasks such as email correspondence, social media and website management, and volunteer coordination. This is a part-time position with an hourly salary commensurate with experience.

## **About the Conservancy**

Bull Run Mountains Conservancy, Inc. (BRMC) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1994 to protect the Bull Run Mountains through education, research, and stewardship. BRMC was organized by local landowners who wanted to promote the preservation and improvement of natural resources on the Bull Run Mountains through educational, charitable, and scientific means for the benefit of the general public.

Our goals include: creating outdoor enthusiasts for life, encouraging preservation of land around the Bull Run Mountains to increase outdoor recreation opportunities, supporting and utilizing ongoing scientific research on the mountains to involve citizen-science volunteers and jump-start future conservation professionals.

Research underpins our education program. The baseline studies on which we have focused over the past 24 years add important data to our present understanding of this landscape and usable information to share with program participants. Our Youth Outdoors Program is the backbone of our education program. We engage kids of all ages to show them that the outdoors is fun and exciting and to teach them that we all have a responsibility to protect and enhance our landscape. The mother of one scholarship recipient wrote:

"I can honestly say that it was probably one of the best adventures and learning experiences my 8 year old son...has ever had. He came home every day happy in his wet shoes and clothing and constantly talked non-stop about everything he saw, learned, touched, and experienced with an enthusiasm and sparkle I had not seen before in his eyes....As a parent all these things make me happy and grateful my son had this opportunity."

Our vision is for an active and healthy community, where preservation is not a hands-off policy but an engaged and committed endeavor by people who love and care for our landscape. When that is accomplished, we will have both a healthier environment and community.