

## Urban Watershed Mentors



**Ages served:** 18 and older

**Program held:** March

### **Unpaid learning opportunity**

**Description:** West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District delivers a training program for interested volunteers and landowners to foster the creation of knowledgeable and engaged watershed leaders. Through a series of trainings (including online webinars, classroom presentations and field work) mentors learn natural area restoration “best management practices” from experienced environmental professionals and/or volunteer leaders focused on invasive species removal and native planting techniques.

Following the training, mentors help lead restoration work parties on existing restoration sites to build capacity, skills and community with land managers who are currently tasked with long term site stewardship. After “graduating” from this program, mentors are part of a network of community volunteer leaders who mentor new volunteers and land managers. As this network grows, more conservation occurs through a community of engaged and knowledgeable stewards.

**How to register:** Contact Mary Logalbo, 503.238.4775, ext. 103 or [mary@wmswcd.org](mailto:mary@wmswcd.org), and regularly check the “Urban Watershed Mentors” page of our website ([www.wmswcd.org](http://www.wmswcd.org)) for program information and registration in the winter preceding the spring training.



West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District helps residents with their land, whether it contains a forest, garden, farm or stream. Areas of assistance include invasive weed removal, native plants, livestock management, stream and habitat restoration, wildlife enhancement, school and community gardens and healthy forests.

The Conservation District is a non-regulatory municipal agency, governed by an elected board of directors. We serve private landowners in the District, which covers over 80,000 acres in Multnomah County, west of the Willamette River, including all of Sauvie Island.

*The District is committed to continuously evaluating and updating our programs to better serve communities of color and welcomes and encourages applications from people of color. The District's goal is to welcome, engage and retain people of color in all facets of our organization. The District is committed to non-discrimination against all protected classes; our Statement of Non-Discrimination is available upon request. The District makes reasonable accommodations for events, educational materials and services. For more information, e-mail [info@wmswcd.org](mailto:info@wmswcd.org) or call 503.238.4775.*

