



# Canopy Corps Apprentice

*Reports to Program Manager*

## Overview

Savannah Tree Foundation (STF) is seeking qualified candidates for our Chatham Canopy Corps Apprenticeship Program. Savannah Tree Foundation is a leading Georgia non-profit organization dedicated to protecting and growing Chatham County's urban forest through tree planting, community engagement, and advocacy. Our vision is to inspire and educate our community to create and sustain a healthy urban forest today, tomorrow, and forever. To learn more about Savannah Tree Foundation, visit [savannahtree.org](http://savannahtree.org).

## Job Description

As a Canopy Corps Apprentice at Savannah Tree Foundation, you will have the opportunity to gain hands-on experience and knowledge in the field of arboriculture and tree care. This apprenticeship program is designed to provide you with valuable skills and insights into tree nursery operations, tree planting logistics, and the growth and maintenance of a diverse range of tree species. You will work closely with our team of experienced professionals and contribute to our mission of promoting a healthy urban forest in Chatham County. .

## Responsibilities

### *Tree Planting and Maintenance*

- Participate in the planting and transportation of trees in various locations, including parks, urban areas, and restoration projects
- Assist in ongoing maintenance tasks in the field, including watering, mulching, fertilizing and pest management
- Maintain a high level of tidiness and professionalism at job sites and throughout the community.
- Learn to operate and maintain planting and maintenance equipment and tools.

### *Tree Nursery Care*

- Assist in the care and maintenance of tree seedlings, including potting, watering, fertilizing, and pest management
- Help maintain accurate inventory records of tree species and quantities in the nursery

- Prepare soil mixes
- Learn to operate and maintain nursery equipment and tools
- Identify and assist in managing diseases and pests that may affect nursery stock
- Adhere to safety protocols and guidelines to ensure a safe working environment

### **Required Qualifications**

- Passion for Urban Forestry and the community
- Ability to work in a physically demanding environment that requires repetitive bending, lifting, and shoveling
- Comfortable working outside in all weather conditions
- Ability to work within a team and independently on assigned job tasks
- Willingness and ability to put safety first
- Ability to lift up to 50 lbs.
- Ability to be an example of integrity and create a respectful work environment with others

### **Desired Qualifications**

- High school degree or GRE, or an equivalent amount of education and experience

### **Compensation**

- Hands-on training and mentorship from experienced professionals
- Opportunity to develop valuable skills in arboriculture and tree care
- Competitive compensation - \$17.50/hour
- Paid training certifications such as OSHA 10, First Aid, and more
- 11 paid holidays per year, 5 PTO days, 1 week paid winter break