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## **Volunteer Position Description**

Position: Lubberland Habitat Heroes

Location: Lubberland Creek Preserve, Newmarket, NH

Preserve facts: Nickname of Great Bay's Northern shore, Lubberland's 400-acre preserve

features a unique mosaic of estuarine, grassland, forest, and freshwater wetland habitats, as well as relics of its agricultural past. Recognized as an ecological gem, the preserve offers protection for the salt marsh and vernal pool habitats, wildlife like Blanding's turtles, spotted salamanders, and two great blue heron rookeries with nests occasionally occupied by osprey or great-horned owls. It also contains one of the largest salt marshes in the Great Bay Estuary providing visitors with great birding opportunities and expansive views of Great Bay.

Read more about the Lubberland Creek Preserve.

Duties: Visit the preserve at least 6 times per year and fill out the Volunteer

Report Form on <a href="nature.org/nhvolunteers">nature.org/nhvolunteers</a>.

Restock sign-in boxes at the trailhead with maps every month during the field season. Maintain sign-in sheet records on a Google Doc.

Assist with volunteer workdays on invasive plant species control, native plant protection works and ecological monitoring.

Monitor parking areas, signs, gates, and trails for evidence of littering and damage. Remove trash from the preserve.

Keep trails clearly marked and free of obstruction. Refresh blazes on all main trails.

Interact with public to educate them on The Nature Conservancy's work, natural history, and what's allowed on the preserve.

Patrol for unauthorized ATV use and illegal trails.

Maintain Picture Post(s) and gather information on visitor usage.

Carry out additional stewardship duties as requested, when possible.

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