

**Volunteer Job Description**  
Rookery Bay NERR Volunteer Program

**Job Title:** Habitat Restoration/Exotic Vegetation Control

**Supervisor(s):** Volunteer Coordinator, Environmental Specialist(s)

**Location:** Various locations throughout the upland areas of the Reserve

**Project Duration:** Ongoing    Hours / Week: 4-8    Hours/ Month: 20-32

**Description of Duties:**

Assist Reserve staff monitor the control of exotic vegetation through out the Reserve and/or restore habitat to natural vegetated composition. Specific duties include:

- Assisting staff in a variety of projects through out the reserve to manage and control exotic and native vegetation
- Removing cut branches and other vegetation from the area
- Operation of a chipper or mulching machine
- Hand pulling out exotic vegetation
- Spraying herbicide on exotic vegetation under directive of supervisor
- Planting native plants
- Maintaining equipment in a tidy and operational manner to include some cleaning and maintenance

**Benefits to volunteer:**

- Learn about land management practices
- Learn to identify various exotic vegetation and animals
- Increase knowledge of natural resources within the Reserve
- Interaction with Reserve staff

**Goal/Outcomes of Job:**

- Help and aide in the restoration of native habitat to promote general health of the Reserve and maintain biodiversity of both flora and fauna.

**Knowledge/ Skills/Experience Desired:**

- Enjoyment of outside labor
- Strong and healthy with no back problems
- Good listening skills
- Clear thinking and good decision making, and safety minded individual
- Ability to lift 40 lbs

**Special Requirements:**

Volunteer will be required to attend training for this position. This position will require volunteer to perform with professionalism, reliability, and have attention to safety concerns.