



Lamoille Waste Warriors Volunteer Description

Residents of Cambridge, Craftsbury, Eden, Elmore, Hyde Park, Johnson, Morristown, Stowe, Waterville, Worcester and Wolcott are invited to join the Lamoille Waste Warriors program!

Waste Warriors will teach people to stop, think, and sort their materials correctly before disposal. Proper separation is a necessary component in keeping recyclable and organic material out of Vermont's one remaining landfill. Through direct interaction with community members at community events and transfer stations, volunteer Waste Warriors will provide vital information regarding the Universal Recycling & Composting law to help keep Vermont's recycling and composting streams clean.

LRSWMD will provide volunteers with:

- Training and information necessary to educate community
- Disposable gloves
- Name tag, reflective vest for use at Transfer Station
- Knowledge and fun and cool experiences for adults and kids alike! ☺

Interested in becoming a Waste Warrior with us? Email americorps@lrswmd.org for details on how to apply!

Waste Warrior Volunteer Duty Description

- I. **The primary duty of volunteers is to act as a community educator:** Through our various volunteer opportunities, Waste Warriors will have the opportunity to engage people in conversation about recycling and composting, answer questions regarding acceptable/unacceptable items, and promote the services provided by the LRSWMD through general discussion. Educating the community about organics diversion (food scrap disposal) will become increasingly important as food scrap collection services begin at all transfer stations in Vermont in preparation for the food waste disposal ban in July 2020. Volunteers will be trained to answer common questions from community members.
- II. **Flexibility & Engagement :** Waste Warrior volunteers will be able to sign up for volunteer opportunities at their leisure through the Waste Warrior events calendar. Waste Warriors will receive a monthly email that will also contain details on upcoming volunteer opportunities. The LRSWMD will record volunteer hours completed. New volunteer opportunities continue to be added to the calendar monthly. However, below are some typical ways Waste Warriors get involved:
 - **Special Events:** At special events like fairs and farmers markets, Waste Warriors will be present to assist people in making correct decisions about proper waste disposal and to answer questions about the Universal Recycling & Composting Law. They also may be asked to help collect materials during and after event as needed. Waste Warriors will also help with children's games and crafting activities centered around reuse, recycling, and composting.
 - **Transfer Stations :** By assisting community members in taking their recyclables to the commingle container, volunteers will have the opportunity to engage people in conversation about recycling and composting.
 - **Blogging/ Write-Ups :** For the blogging savvy Waste Warriors, there will be opportunities to write occasional write-ups to be featured on the LRSWMD website and social media pages. Topics can range anything from your personal experience with recycling & composting to tips on how to inspire people to go "zero waste".