# Volunteer at CEED

CEED was founded by volunteers, built by volunteers, and continues to thrive through the dedication and will of volunteers. We have opportunities for everyone. Whether trail work, gardening, social media, art, small construction projects, cleaning, office work, education, or animals; we have something for you to do!



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Be a part of the CEED dream by giving. Generous donations helped turn the lights on in the vacant Washington Lodge. Every new gift helps us build trails, create programs, and fulfill our long-term plan to restore the Washington Lodge and create a vibrant community center for nature. Whether \$5 or \$5 million dollars, every gift is appreciated and important. Please join our growing family by donating today! CEED is a 501 (c) (3) charitable organization, so all gifts are fully tax-deductible.

Donate at: ceedli.org/donate



### **Contact Us**

CEED is located in Brookhaven Hamlet, on the south shore of Long Island. Please join our email list by going to ceedli.org/subscribe/.

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# CEED

## THE CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND DISCOVERY

CONNECTING PEOPLE WITH NATURE...

CONNECTING NATURE AND ART...

**CONNECTING NATURE COMMUNITIES...** 





The Center for Environmental Education and Discovery (CEED) is dedicated to restoring connections to nature for people of all ages and all walks of life. Our goal is to get people outside to experience nature first-hand.

CEED works diligently for the restoration and conservation of nature, especially the land and waters of Long Island. The best way to create a community of environmental advocates is to inspire wonder and joy in the outdoors. Regardless of who you are and what you can do, everyone can find a niche in nature.

CEED is about community, inclusion, and trailheads open to all. Join us to find and share our love of plants and animals that make this world a beautiful place.

#### The Washington Lodge

CEED is proud to be a steward of Brookhaven's **Washington Lodge**, a beloved and historic building central to over 60 acres. We are working hard to restore the building and the lands. We welcome handy volunteers, as well as generous funders to join in reviving this unique community resource.

# **Connecting to Our Anchors**

Long Island has a wealth of beautiful and unique terrestrial and aquatic habitats. It also has serious challenges in restoring and protecting those priceless resources. CEED encourages connection to and stewardship of Long Island by anchoring our programs in four critical areas.

#### **Climate**

As a mostly low-lying island, we are dealing with consequences of climate change that include rising sea levels. How do we lessen the impact and adapt to our changing environment?



#### Sustainability

If Long Island were a state, it would be the most densely populated of any in the nation. How do we engage with the unique challenges of dealing with waste on an island?

#### **Biodiversity**

We all love Long Island's native wildlife. The diverse wildlife communities make Long Island a special place. How do we rebuild and maintain this balance in native habitats?

#### Water

Surrounded by water, we have a special interest in understanding how our watersheds work. How do we restore them and conserve them for the future?

## Connecting People to Nature

#### **School Programs**

CEED offers science and nature education programs for preschool through high school. We have opportunities for classroom workshops, presentations, outdoor programs, and even assemblies. Contact us for information on in-school and field trip programs.

#### **Community Programs**

Our nature programs at CEED and offsite are available for scouts, libraries, and other community organizations.

## Nature Experiences for Children

CEED's half-day and full-day natureimmersive vacation programs have quickly become popular. Kids go home tired, with big smiles on their faces, and passionate about the outdoor world.

## Outdoor Adventures with Nature

Exploring the wonders and mysteries of nature can be both educational and great fun. Our outdoor nature and science programs encourage the natural curiosity of every person from toddlers to seniors. Owl Prowls, Outdoor Dance Parties, Nature Investigations, Science Talks, and Bobwhite Quail Releases are just a few. Enjoy yourself, make new friends, and learn something new about the amazing world we share.

#### Conservation

Come to CEED for hands-on conservation projects on our preserve lands and beyond. Learn to build bat boxes, raise bees, protect box turtles, remove invasive species, and more.

#### **Nature Trails and Hikes**

On our growing network of trails, you'll gain the peace that can only be found walking among trees and the sounds of nature.

#### **Outdoor Activities**

Body, Mind and Spirit. Connect yourself with nature, through yoga, forest therapy, mindfulness walks, friendly foragers, wilderness survival, and more. Reduce anxiety and stress, and find your Zen in nature. We even provide programs for kids.

#### **Online Programs**

Can't come to CEED? Experience CEED through virtual learning. We offer a full range of online programming for schools, community organizations and families. We even have programs honoring Native American culture.

#### **Festivals and Celebration**

Nature is always in motion so we celebrate the changing of seasons. Our **Summer Solstice Festival** and **Fall Equinox Festival** have become community traditions. Join us to celebrate nature with friends, food, and fun.



# Connecting Art & Nature

Art deepens the experience of life and the natural world. Much of what CEED does honors that unique connection. Come experience nature with all your senses at CEED.

## **Connecting Nature**

CEED was founded with the dream of collaboration between like-minded organizations. Collaboration is key to improving and protecting the health of Long Island. Contact us if you are interested in working together to create a healthier Long Island environment.

