



Volunteer with Your Local Chapter Today!

Develop professional skills and network with an invested community of conservation leaders. Show initiative within your organization by joining or forming a local chapter. Our chapters host educational events, organize cleanups, provide scholarships, and offer fun networking opportunities. Make the most of your membership by helping to design events and programs that are meaningful to you and your community.

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

1. Join your chapter's Board of Directors/Executive Council
2. Collaborate with your chapter on an effort like a workplace tour or a scholarship program
3. Attend and volunteer at chapter events

BENEFITS OF GETTING INVOLVED

"As a member of the Executive Committee ... SWCS can present opportunities outside of the workplace that can benefit members, including networking, education, and leadership roles."

— SWCS Member

Continuing Education Units (CEUs)

- Our chapter leaders are often responsible for designing educational programming that is directly relevant to conservation professionals in their local region. If your job or certificate requires credits, help provide that training for those in your profession. CEUs are just one of the ways chapters serve conservation professionals.

Professional Skill Development

- **Leadership Skills.** Team management, goal setting and strategic planning, task delegation, and problem solving
- **Business Operations Experience.** Creation and maintenance of budgets, board meeting participation, and traditional roles of officers
- **Event Management.** Topic development, speaker recruitment, scheduling, venue planning, and public speaking opportunities
- **Communications.** Websites, advertising, social media content, newsletters, and emails

Networking

- Work with a diverse team of conservation professionals
- Meet and network with event speakers, sponsors, and attendees
- Reach individuals in related professions through partnerships
- Share your experiences and mentor early career conservationists or learn from others in your field