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## Southwest Colorado Canyons Alliance Seeks Tour Guides

Southwest Colorado Canyons Alliance is a charitable 501(c)(3) organization that collaborates with Bureau of Land Management to engage the public through education, outreach, and stewardship for the use and enjoyment of the natural and cultural landscape of Canyons of the Ancients National Monument and nearby public lands.

Do you enjoy hiking, biking, and sharing your knowledge of archaeology, geology, botany, and wildlife of Southwest Colorado?

Southwest Colorado Canyons Alliance (SCCA) seeks tour guides who love to work in the outdoors and have the ability to spark the interest of visitors to the area and local people. Some training will be provided, but you must also have the desire to educate yourself in the abovenamed areas.

This is an on-call, occasional position (about 5 to 10 hours per week, June through November). Pay is \$15/hour plus set mileage reimbursements. It's a fun way to get paid while leading hiking tours and some tours with easy to moderate trail and dirt road biking.

### Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

- Enthusiasm for mission of SCCA, BLM, and Public Lands.
- Basic knowledge of Ancestral Pueblo history, local geology, plants, and animals.
- Respect for Ancestral Pueblo and contemporary Native American groups.
- Full understanding of Leave No Trace and Visit With Respect ethics.
- Ability to communicate with children and adults.
- Certified First Aid / CPR.
- Flexible: often only 24-hour notice of hike.
- Must have valid driver's license and reliable vehicle for your own transportation to and from the tour locations.
- Must have suitable bike for trails and dirt roads, helmet, portable pump, and repair kit.
- Must have cell phone for emergency use and ability to communicate with clients via text or phone call or for navigation using app.

### Responsibilities:

- Meet your clients punctually.
- Ensure that clients are prepared with appropriate clothing, shoes, water, sun protection etc.
- Monitor clients' safety and well-being throughout the tour.
- Keep the tour on time.
- Engage clients at their level of understanding.
- Provide a meaningful and enjoyable learning experience.

### Physical Demands:

- Ability to hike and/or bike up to 10 miles (most hikes are approximately 4-5 miles)
- Ability to hike and/or bike in the heat of summer
- Ability to do basic bike repair such as fix flat tire.

How to Apply: Email a letter or resume stating your past experiences pertaining to this position to: [tours.scca@gmail.com](mailto:tours.scca@gmail.com)  
Or send by mail to: Southwest Colorado Canyons Alliance, PO Box 113 Cortez, CO 81321. For inquiries contact Diane McBride at (970) 560-1643.

*All qualified applicants will receive consideration for the position without regard to race, national origin, gender, age, religion, disability, sexual orientation, veteran status, or marital status.*