

THREE VOLUNTEER FIELD ASSISTANTS NEEDED for Midway Atoll National Wildlife

Refuge from August 6 to November 14, 2009 to restore habitat, remove marine debris, and monitor seabirds, Laysan ducks, and wetlands. Midway Atoll is located within the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands, about 2,000 km northwest of Honolulu, Hawaii. Midway Atoll is home to approximately 3 million seabirds, including 18 different breeding species and the world's largest Laysan and Black-footed Albatrosses colonies. Additional information can be found at <http://www.fws.gov/midway>. Position duties include growing plants in the greenhouse, outplanting plants, hand-pulling non-native plants, removing discarded fishing nets and ropes that wash ashore and atop the reef, and monitoring reproductive success and survivorship of Laysan and Black-footed Albatrosses and Red-tailed tropicbirds. Volunteers are provided with round trip air fare to Midway from Honolulu, and room and board while on Midway. A four-year biological science degree and previous ornithological and botanical work are preferred, but not essential. Volunteers must be able to get along well with others in a remote environment; be in great physical condition, have no medical issues since Midway is remote and little medical care is available; be able to swim, ride a bike, hike up to 3 miles a day in the sand, work 8 hours a day out in the sun with high temperatures and humidity, and lift 40 pounds. Email or mail your resume with three references (include phone and e-mail addresses): PMNMLogistics@fws.gov (put "Volunteer at Midway" in subject line) or MIDWAY ATOLL NWR VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR, USFWS, Midway Atoll NWR, 1082 Makepono St., Honolulu, HI 96819.

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