

Green Kirkland Steward Survey Results

March 2023
Steward
Program
Experience
Survey

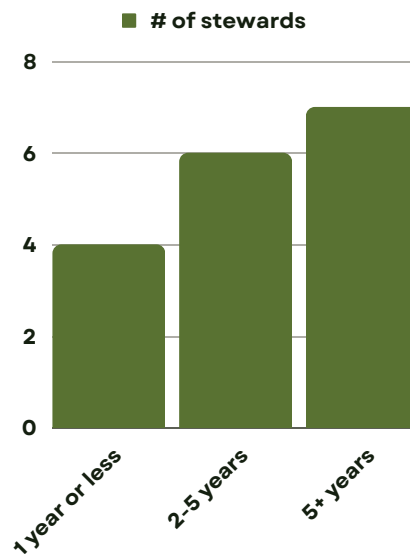
Survey demographics

17 responses out of 45 stewards
(38% response rate)

of parks/spaces represented: 13



Length of service as steward



SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS



■ Why GKP Stewards love volunteering

"I love connecting with volunteers that come and working together towards a greener healthier world"

"Seeing radical transformation of an area over time"

"Renewing our urban forests"

"Meeting new friends, getting outside, getting to garden, the support from the department"

"Working with wonderful people all pursuing a common goal of making things better in our parks"



■ Why Stewards feel their work is important

5 **Climate change** and **restoration** mentioned 5 times

4 **Community** and **family** mentioned 4 times

2 **Physical** and **mental health** mentioned 2 times

1 **Prevention of development** mentioned 1 time



What GKP Stewards would change to make the Steward experience more rewarding



More interaction with other stewards and mentorship of newer stewards



More diversity and representation



Additional steward help and local volunteers

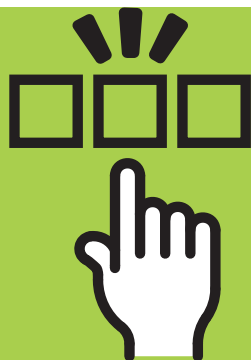
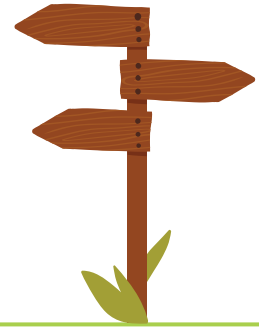


Streamlined Event Request form

STEWARD SUGGESTIONS FOR REACHING A WIDER AUDIENCE



4 out of 17 participants suggested **posting more signage** in the park and advertising training/volunteer opportunities



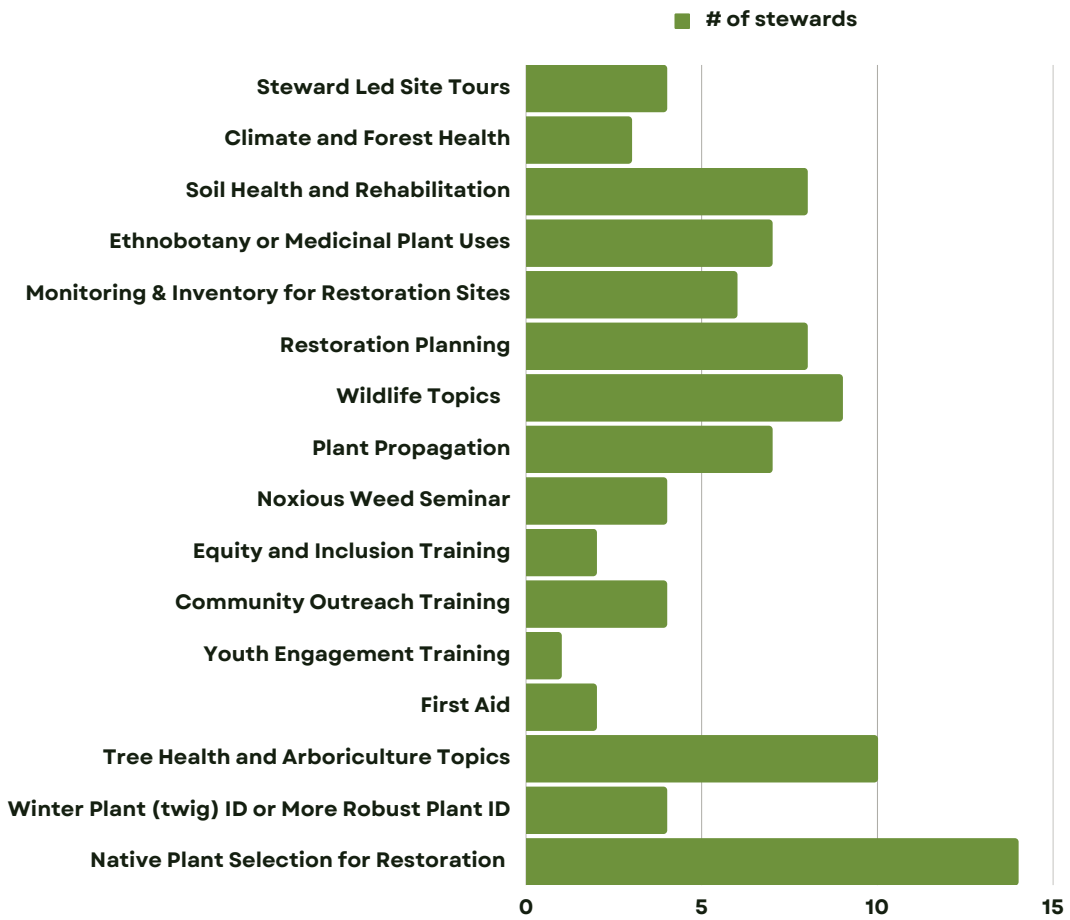
Top 3 workshop choices

1. Native Plant Selection for Restoration
2. Tree Health and Arboriculture Topics
3. Wildlife Topics



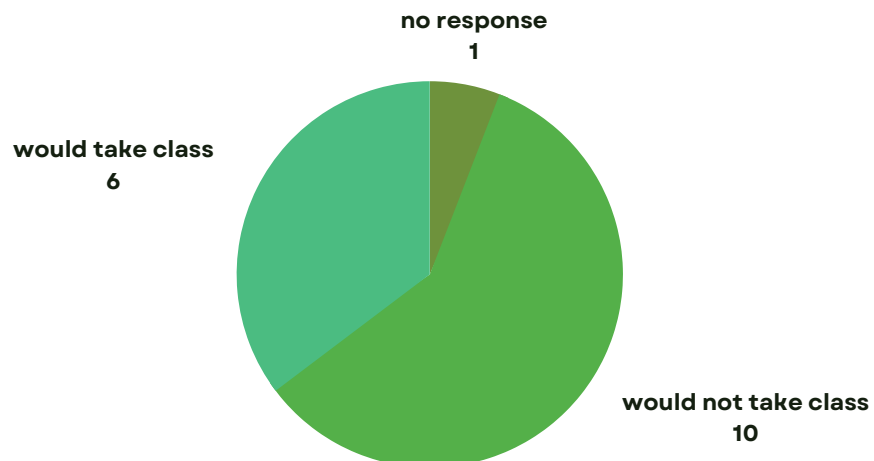


TOPICS GKP STEWARDS WANT TO LEARN ABOUT










Basic first aid course interest

"If basic first aid was offered as a scholarship, would you take a class on your own?"



Steward-suggested workshop topics

-  How GKP fits into regional restoration efforts
-  Trail guidance
-  Sowing wildflower seeds
-  Bug ID and pest management
-  Relationship between roots and fungi
-  Land acknowledgements
-  Food forests



Feedback on trainings in general

"Always have been helpful, not just for the content but just as much for the connection with other Stewards and staff"



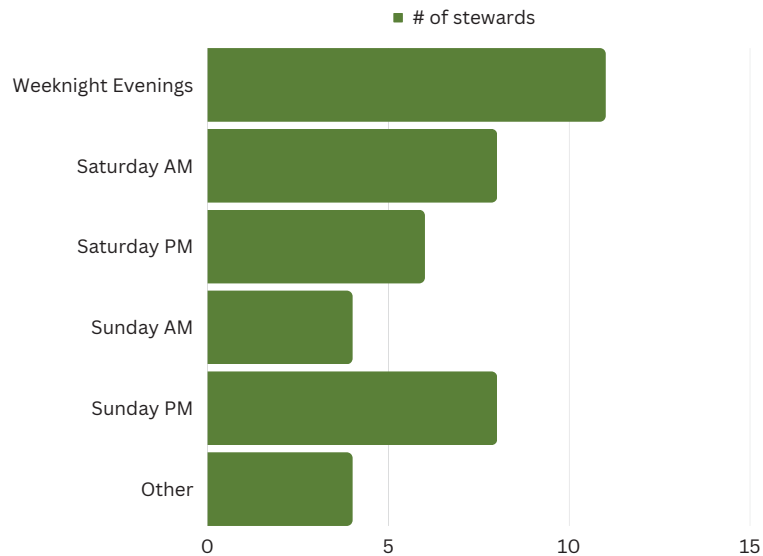
"I really appreciated the planting workshop Collins led this fall"

"Needs to be scaled to the audiences' ability/interest"

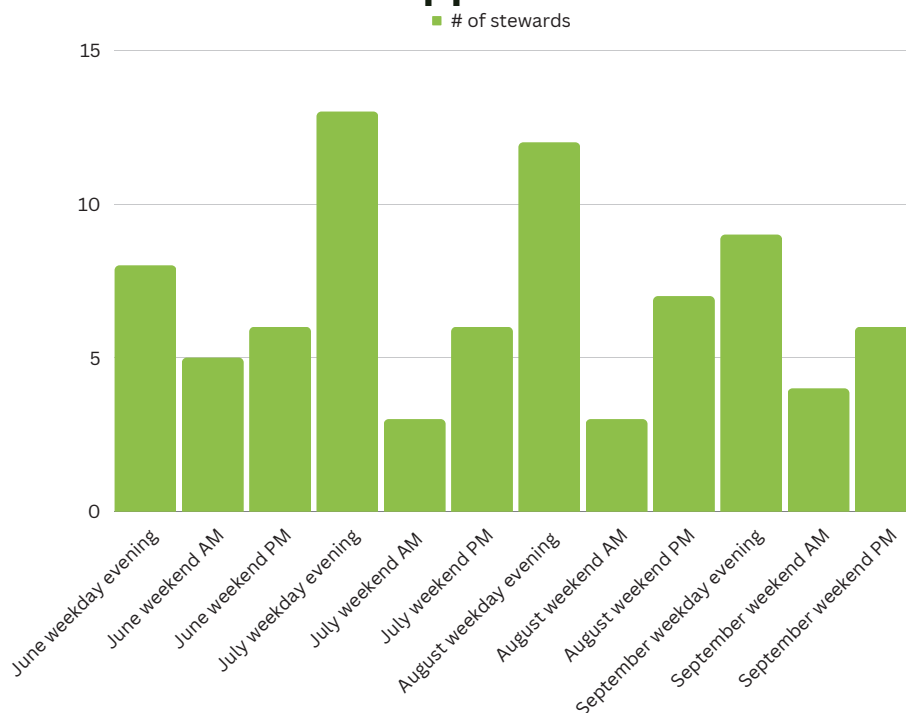
"Always learned something"

"I enjoyed meeting other Stewards and would be interested in more social interactions with them"

When Stewards feel they could most likely attend trainings



When Stewards feel they could most likely attend an appreciation event



Thank you to all the Stewards who contributed to this survey, we sincerely appreciate your time and effort!

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