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Nature is in trouble – be part of the solution

Community Engagement Officer – Cayman Islands, (part-time)

£13,787 - £15,295 per annum

Introduction



Hello, and thank you for your interest in the role of Community Engagement Officer - Cayman Islands for the RSPB (part-time).

This is a wonderful opportunity to join a great project team saving nature and inspiring people in one of the Caribbean UK Overseas Territories. We think it's probably one of the best jobs in nature conservation!

We are looking for someone who understand and inspires people. Someone with real vision, commitment, a passion for nature and a hunger for supporting people and partners with protecting their globally important natural assets. We are looking for someone who could take our work supporting partners in the Cayman Islands to a whole new level.

Are you up for the challenge? If so, we look forward to hearing from you.

Sarah Havery, Senior Species Recovery Officer; and
Fred Burton, Manager of Terrestrial Resources Unit, Cayman Islands Department of Environment

About the role

This exciting part-time role is funded through the Darwin Plus Initiative project: Safeguarding Cayman's Sister Islands from Invasive Species. This partnership project is a collaboration between RSPB, Cayman Islands Government Department of Environment and Department of Agriculture, and the University of Aberdeen.

The successful candidate will be based with our partner organisation, the Cayman Islands Department of Environment.

Invasive species pose a major yet largely unmanaged threat on Cayman's Sister Islands. Feral cat predation has resulted in catastrophic native species declines whilst invasive green iguanas are spreading from Grand Cayman.

Focussing on protecting the largely undeveloped Sister Islands (Cayman Brac and Little Cayman), the role will be securing the future for Cayman's environmental flagships, home to the Territory's only RAMSAR site and its most internationally significant wildlife, from the impact of invasive species.

The role will be responsible for delivering a positive change in the attitudes of residents and visitors to value the threatened habitats and species of Cayman Brac and understand the threats invasive species create for them, through a programme of project delivery, people engagement and communications work.

The role will build a community volunteer network across the Sister Islands to support biosecurity.



About you

You'll be an inspiration to the team; a natural facilitator, creative, bright and on the ball, focused on getting things done.

Want to help protect some of the most threatened reptiles on the planet and safeguard unique pockets of paradise? Keen to mentor and build the capacity of others?

We are looking for an enthusiastic, passionate person to effectively engage the local communities within Cayman's Sister Islands in a collaborative multi-sector partnership in the Cayman Islands, a UK Overseas Territory in the Caribbean.

By mobilising people, you will play an essential conservation role to protect some of the most pristine patches of natural habitat left in the Caribbean - the homes of unique iguanas and boas, parrots and thousands of seabirds.

As a natural people-person and communicator, you will find the challenge of mobilising people through effective community engagement an exciting and rewarding role.

The RSPB's values

Bold

We speak out honestly for what we believe in, aiming higher and pushing further for growth. We seek to provide innovative, fun, and sociable ways for people to get involved.

Focused

We identify where birds and wildlife are most under threat, then act decisively and with commitment to save them and deliver tangible results.

Supportive

We support each other and our sector partners in order to flourish, and make sure our supporters receive reward and recognition for their contribution.

Together

We work together for the biggest possible impact across the RSPB, and with partners across the UK and globally.

Next steps



You'll find all the application details at [rspb.org.uk/vacancies](https://www.rspb.org.uk/vacancies)

The closing date for applications is **1st August 2021**.

We are expecting a lot of interest in this role so to give yourself the best chance of being shortlisted, it's important that you do more than tell us what you have done in the past. We want to know how you have applied your skills, knowledge and experience and how this will help you succeed in the role. Recruiting the right people is important to the RSPB, so if you have questions please contact me directly about this exciting opportunity:

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We will be reviewing applications week commencing **2nd August 2021**, and if you are shortlisted, we'll invite you to interview on **11/12th August 2021**.