THE POSITION
The TRTA’s Youth Backcountry Instructor (YBI) will lead 4-day backpacking expeditions for the Youth Backcountry Camp (YBCC) Program. The YBI will guide teens along the Tahoe Rim Trail while teaching wilderness skills and natural history of the Tahoe Basin, facilitating camp games and leadership activities, and supporting the mental and physical needs of youth. The YBI will professionally represent the TRTA and need to abide by and enforce the TRTA’s risk management protocols relating to wilderness medicine, COVID-19, youth management, and justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion. This is a three-month, temporary, summer position, great for a candidate looking to hone their skills in adventure leadership and outdoor education.

QUALIFICATIONS
The YBI must have experience and a passion for working with diverse youth populations and be comfortable in challenging outdoor conditions. Candidates must possess current or plan to obtain Wilderness First Aid, Lifeguard, CPR, and Youth Mental Health First Aid certifications. Ideal applicants will have experience leading outdoor education programs for youth, a college degree in Outdoor Education or a related field, proficiency in Spanish, and knowledge of backcountry skills, Leave No Trace ethics, and natural history of the Tahoe Basin.

The TRTA will post the job description and open applications in mid-January here: https://tahoerimtrail.org/jobs-internships