Paid Service-Learning Programs for Youth and Young Adults

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Northwest Youth Corps offers a challenging education and job-training experience that helps youth and young adults from diverse backgrounds develop the skills they need to lead full and productive lives. Our programs include residential conservation crews for both youth and young adults, local community crews, an internship program for college aged participants, a fully accredited high school, and a two-acre organic farm.

**Youth Community Program**

**For Ages 15-19 | Locations: OR, WA | 5 Week Day Program**

The Youth Community Program is a non-residential, day program for 15 to 19 year olds. With the experience of field staff guiding them, participants complete service projects in their own community each day and return home at night. Crews meet at a designated site every morning and evening, Monday through Friday. Members spend an average of 6 hours per day working and one hour participating in an educational lesson, from which they earn high school credit and a $250/week stipend. During these 5 week sessions, participants learn new skills, challenge themselves, make new friends, and better their communities!

**Youth Camping Program**

**For Ages 16-19 | Locations: OR, WA, ID | 5 to 6 Week Camping Program**

Our Youth Camping Program combines education and job skills training with outdoor adventure for 16 to 19 year olds. With the guidance of experienced field staff, youth crew members work on conservation, reforestation, and recreation projects, while developing leadership skills and learning how to work as a team. Crews camp in the field for their entire session, traveling to new projects often and recreating on the weekends. In addition to earning a $300/week stipend and high school credit, participants make new friends, learn new skills, explore the Northwest’s wildest places, challenge themselves, and have an awesome summer!

**Young Adult Program**

**For Ages 19+ | Locations: OR, WA, ID | 8 Week Camping Program**

Our Young Adult Program is an innovative AmeriCorps program designed to provide hands on training and experience to those interested in pursuing employment with conservation corps, land and water resource management agencies, and other outdoor careers. The program integrates team-based work projects, education, and on-site vocational training into an experience that prioritizes personal growth, and the development of conservation work skills. Participants will develop technical skills working on a variety of conservation projects while developing the soft skills needed to be successful in the outdoor industry.

**Inclusion Crews**

One key element of fulfilling Northwest Youth Corps’ commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is to field single-identity inclusion crews to support communities currently under-served in the Conservation Corps space. We are currently serving youth and young adults who identify as members of Deaf/Hard of Hearing, Native American, LatinX and/or LGBTQ+ communities. The goal is to provide a safe space to build confidence and self-esteem, and to learn the skills needed to be successful. After a successful experience, crewmembers serving on these crews often carry on to other opportunities with NYC, other Corps, and the land management agencies we partner with. Visit [www.nwyouthcorps.org](http://www.nwyouthcorps.org) to learn more about our inclusion crew offerings.

**COVID-19 Safety Measures:**

We have developed and facilitated industry leading COVID management protocols that are in place to keep our members and staff healthy, and have maintained an excellent safety record. Visit [www.nwyouthcorps.org/m/covid19](http://www.nwyouthcorps.org/m/covid19) to read our COVID management protocols.