

## **AmeriCorps NCCC Forest Corps Fast Facts**

The AmeriCorps NCCC Forest Corps program is an interagency partnership between the United States Forest Service (USFS) and AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC).

AmeriCorps NCCC is a team-based national service program for young adults administered by AmeriCorps, the federal agency for service and volunteerism. AmeriCorps NCCC engages young adults, ages 18-24, in 10-month and 3-month national service commitments. The program provides housing to participants, a set of allowances and stipends, and covers all costs of participation. Flexibilities granted by the CARES Act allow temporary authority for NCCC to engage young adults up to 26 years of age.

Through the interagency agreement, the parties agree that the AmeriCorps NCCC Forest Corps program is designed to achieve four primary goals:

- To accomplish field-oriented tasks required for the successful natural and cultural resource management as it relates to the U.S. Forest Service Wildfire Crisis Strategy and Reforestation Strategy.
- To provide community service while educating and training young people about natural and cultural resource management and environmental conservation.
- To develop a trained cadre of future leaders in green careers and natural and cultural resource management through acquisition of necessary skills and experience; and
- To develop leaders and strengthen communities through the AmeriCorps NCCC program model.

The first cohort of AmeriCorps members will begin their service in the summer of 2024.

Per the USFS priorities and critical needs, the AmeriCorps NCCC Forest Corps will be launched at the AmeriCorps NCCC Pacific Region, based in Sacramento, California.

The program will begin with a single annual intake of 80 AmeriCorps members, with an ability to scale by additional intakes, and to other AmeriCorps NCCC regions at a future date.

Consistent with President Biden's stated aspiration for AmeriCorps members, AmeriCorps NCCC Forest Corps members will receive a compensation package equivalent to \$15 an hour, to include lodging, transportation, clothing, a living allowance, health benefit, and more.

No prior experience in land management is required. There is no baseline education requirement.

The AmeriCorps NCCC Forest Corps needs motivated young adults, interested in serving their nation, fighting the climate crisis, and launching their careers in protecting and preserving our public lands.

More information is available at:

- www.americorps.gov
- www.americorps.gov/serve/americorps/americorps-nccc