

AmeriCorps Corpsmember



Position Title: Forestry Corpsmember

Location: Fort Collins, Colorado (Greater Larimer County)

Term of Service: August 29 – November 3, 2022 temporary, full time position

Stipend Allotment: Total stipend of \$5,120 (paid in bi-weekly increments of \$1,024)

Benefits: \$1,342.86 AmeriCorps Education Award upon completion for qualified

individuals. This position may qualify for academic credit.

Application: <u>larimer.org/lccc/joinus</u>

Due to the short duration of the program, applications will only be reviewed for those that plan to participate for the entire program. Those planning to miss more than two days need not apply.

About the Larimer County Conservation Corps:

The Larimer County Conservation Corps (LCCC) promotes individual development through service for the benefit of our environment and community. Our programs empower corpsmembers to develop personal and professional skills, gain environmental awareness and actively engage in the community, while developing self-sufficiency to help them become productive members of our community. The LCCC is based in Fort Collins, Colorado and is an accredited corps through the Colorado Youth Corps Association and The Corps Network.

Position Summary:

The Forestry Corpsmember role is a temporary, seasonal position performing natural resource projects in Larimer County, Colorado. Corpsmembers are engaged in a combination of hands-on projects and service-learning activities focused on environmental awareness, community engagement and personal and professional skill development. Corpsmembers participate in ten weeks of service within the Larimer County community.

Corpsmembers will be provided with S-212 Wildland Fire Chain Saws and Wilderness First Aid/CPR certifications before beginning conservation projects. Potential projects include: fire mitigation at Arapaho Ranch in Nederland, CO; fire mitigation at Button Rock Reservoir in Lyons, CO; tree planting within the Cameron Peak Burn scar; and trail maintenance within the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forest. Transportation to and from the work site and meals during the work week will be provided.

Schedule:

Forestry Corpsmembers are expected to serve 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday for approximately 40 hours per week. Holiday weeks will be modified to serve Tuesday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Corpsmembers must camp with their crew, Monday through Thursday for the duration of the project season. This schedule may also be modified due to training, weather, logistics, or other unforeseen circumstances.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Complete various natural resource projects such as fire mitigation using chainsaws, tree planting and trail maintenance
- Adhere to safe and proper use of various tools and equipment
- Actively participate in daily safety discussions
- Participate in personal and professional development activities including team building, service learning, and workshops
- Adhere to the Larimer County Conservation Corps policies and procedures
- Be prepared each day with uniform, boots, raingear, water bottles, daypack, lunch, and snacks
- Report directly to program coordinator

Training will include:

- LCCC policies and procedures
- S-212 Wildland Fire Chainsaws certification
- Wilderness First Aid & CPR certification
- Trail maintenance and tree planting techniques

Qualifications:

- Must be between 18 and 25 years old at the start date of the season
- Committed to completing the 10-week program in its entirety
- Ability to remain focused, alert, and productive in difficult conditions and perform physical labor
- Must be dedicated to Larimer County Conservation Corps' mission
- Team oriented, punctual, and dependable
- Interest in making a difference in the community
- If selected, required to verify identity and eligibility to serve in the United States

Physical Requirements:

Must have:

- Acceptable eyesight, including clear near and far vision, good depth perception
- Adequate hearing to perform essential duties
- Appropriate voice skills to be clearly understood on the telephone and in public contacts
- Fine and gross motor skills and use of arms, hands, and fingers to perform computer duties and operate tools such as pick mattocks, sledgehammers, rakes, and shovels

Must be able to:

- Hike up to eight miles carrying 50 lbs. in a 10-hour day
- Exert up to 50 lbs. of force occasionally, and/or up to 20 lbs. of force frequently, and/or up to 10 lbs. of force constantly to move objects
- Climb, balance, stoop, kneel, crouch, crawl, and reach frequently or constantly

Environmental Conditions and Physical Surroundings:

• Exposure to variable weather conditions, noise, dust, airborne particles, and vibration

Offer is Contingent upon the Following Stipulations:

- Must pass a state and national criminal history check
- Ability to successfully complete the S-212 Wildland Fire Chainsaw course, provided by the LCCC
- Ability to successfully complete the Wilderness First Aid (WFA) and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) certifications, provided by the LCCC

The Larimer County Conservation Corps (LCCC) carefully recruits staff to build on our existing culture of collaboration, respect, inclusiveness, and innovation. We are an organization passionate about serving people, businesses, and our community. We believe in having purpose and balance in life and support employee flexibility. We value the journey and recognize skills can be demonstrated through a variety of professional and personal experiences. We value all types of diversity including race, family status, educational background, ability, sexual orientation, ethnicity, gender expression, and age.