



## **We want YOU to join our crew!**

Join the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) and become an important member of a team of dedicated individuals who work and play in the national parks. As a member of the Youth Conservation Corps you will personally have a role in protecting one of the nation's precious resources, Assateague Island National Seashore!

### **Explore, Learn and Protect Precious Resources**

During this 8 week summer program, you will learn new skills in customer service, natural resource education and public speaking while working in the Division of Interpretation at Assateague Island National Seashore. Responsibilities and regular duties include greeting and orienting the general public at the park visitor center, assisting park rangers presenting interpretive programs, providing informal education at our touch tank exhibit and during craft programs.

### **Learn something new every day**

The YCC isn't just about work - it's about building a future for yourself and the nation. While working with park staff you will learn: 1) How the National Park Service protects America's special places for the benefit of people and the overall environment. 2) How all life on Assateague Island must adapt to constant change because of the influences of wind and water. 3) How the national seashore provides a wide range of recreational opportunities while at the same time conserving and protecting precious natural and cultural resources.

### **Who says work isn't fun?!**

While working, you'll see wildlife or history before your eyes, stand on beach and gaze at the Atlantic Ocean, meet new friends, and learn new skills that you can carry with you into your future. You'll also have access to countless recreational activities such as hiking, photography, backpacking, kayaking, biking, camping, fishing, wildlife viewing, and swimming.

### **What benefits would I get from participating?**

Not only would you get paid to work at one of the coolest places in the country, but will also have the chance to learn about careers with the National Park Service and get valuable work skills that can help you get your next job! You will be working with other incredible people and have the opportunity to form lifelong friendships.

### **What age do you have to be?**

If you are 15-18 years old at the start of the program, this program is right for you. You'll need to apply for a work permit.

### **When do YCC members work?**

You would work from Monday through Friday, from 8 am until 4:30 pm from June 29 through August 21, 2015.

### **How much will I be paid?**

YCC members are paid the established federal minimum wage of \$7.25.

### **Can you take me to and from work?**

All YCC crew members are responsible for providing their own transportation to and from the Assateague Island Visitor Center.

### **How do I apply?**

Just fill out a one page application – it's that simple! We also encourage the submission of a resume, but if you don't have one, that is okay.

### **Who do I send my application to?**

Scan it and email it to [Liz\\_Davis@nps.gov](mailto:Liz_Davis@nps.gov) or put it in an envelope addressed to Liz Davis, YCC Program, Assateague Island National Seashore, 7206 National Seashore Lane, Berlin, MD 21811 and drop it in the mail.





## United States Youth Conservation Corps

The Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) is a well-balanced work-learn-earn program that develops an understanding and appreciation in participating youth of the nation's environment and heritage. It is administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture - Forest Service, and by the U.S. Department of the Interior--Fish and Wildlife Service and National Park Service. YCC offers gainful summer employment to youth, for approximately eight weeks, in a healthful outdoor atmosphere.

Enrollees will be paid the minimum wage for a 40 hour work week. Most projects will enroll an equal number of males and females.

Projects include building trails, maintaining fences, cleaning up campgrounds, improving wildlife habitat, and thinning timber stands. Participants will do hard physical work and may be exposed to insects, poison oak and ivy, adverse weather, and difficult working conditions.

### Eligibility Requirements

Young men and women, 15 through 18 years of age, who are permanent residents of the United States, its Territories, or possessions, are eligible for employment without regard to social, economic, racial, or ethnic backgrounds. Handicapped youth who can effectively participate in most YCC activities are eligible. Youth must have no history of serious criminal or other antisocial behavior that might endanger their safety or that of others; have or be able to obtain a work permit as required under the laws of their State; have a Social Security number or have made application for one; be willing and able to work hard and participate in most work projects. Employment is without regard to Civil Service or classification laws, rules, or regulations.

### How You Can Enroll

To apply, youth meeting these qualifications should complete this YCC application form and return it at the earliest possible date to the nearest unit of a National Park, National Forest, or national Fish and Wildlife Refuge or Hatchery.

Applicants will be selected on a random basis and will be notified of selection. Demographic information such as age, race, and family income is not used in the selection process.

#### PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT FOR THE YCC APPLICATION (FS-1800-18) 10/94

The following information is provided to comply with the Privacy Act of 1974 (PL-579). 5 U.S.C 301 and 7 CFR 260 authorize acceptance of the information requested on this form. The data will be used in the selection process of applicants for the YCC Crews, and for contacting he selected applicants. Furnishing your name and social security number is voluntary. However, your application cannot be processed without this information.



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YCC complies with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. (29 U.S. Code 794). Under this Act and implementing Regulations, handicapped persons "who, with reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions" of the YCC are eligible. (7 CFR Part 15b and 43 CFR Part 17).