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for the Columbian White-tailed Deer
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Youth Conservation Corps Summer Job Description - May 2017

Julia Butler Hansen Refuge for the Columbian White-tailed Deer is hiring for the 2017 Youth Conservation Corps (YCC). The YCC is a summer employment program for young men and women to work, learn and earn together by doing projects that further develop and conserve the nation's natural resources.

The crew will consist of four members and one adult crew leader. The crew will work on a variety of refuge projects throughout the summer. Past projects include: trail construction/maintenance, invasive plant removal, campground renovation, fence and tree protector removal, biological project assistance, and general refuge maintenance. Crew members will learn about refuge resources and management issues, as well as careers in natural resources. Crew members will participate in environmental education activities and field trips to nearby destinations may be taken. All work projects are designed to help develop good work skills, work habits, and safety awareness. Former YCC crew members often gain seasonal or permanent positions within the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Enrollees must not have participated in any YCC program for more than 3 weeks in the past.

Crew members will be required to wear work boots, long-sleeved shirts, and long pants during work hours. Employer provided personal protective equipment (e.g. gloves, hard hats, goggles, and ear protection) will be worn by employees while performing project work. All workers will be expected to attend every work day and complete the full eight week program. Requests for leave must be approved prior to the beginning of the program. Crew members do not earn leave and any leave granted will be leave without pay.

All selected applicants and a guardian must attend a meeting on June 13th at 6pm at the Julia Butler Hansen Refuge office at 46 Steamboat Slough Road, Cathlamet.

Program Details

Position Dates: June 19 through August 11, 2017 (8 weeks)
Wage: \$11.00 per hour (WA state minimum wage)
Location: Julia Butler Hansen Refuge is the primary work location and where crew members will report to work. Crew members must arrange their own transportation to and from the refuge office. Some work will also occur at Willapa National Wildlife Refuge. Education days/field trips may be taken off site as well.
Hours per week: 40 hours, 7:30 am – 4:00 pm Monday - Friday
Who can apply: Anyone between the ages of 15-18
Application date: Must be received by 5 pm, May 26, 2017
How to apply: Submit a Youth Conservation Corps Application, OMB No. 0596-0084, to JBH Refuge by mail at PO Box 566 Cathlamet, WA 98612. Applications can also be hand-delivered to the refuge office.

Applications can be found at the refuge office or online at: https://www.fws.gov/refuge/julia_butler_hansen/

If you have any additional questions, please contact me directly. Thank you for helping the Refuge assemble a great team for wildlife!

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Youth Conservation Corps Application

Print or Type all answers. All questions and statements must be answered to enable Selection Office to determine applicant's eligibility and availability. Incomplete applications may have to be rejected. Authority is PL 93-408. During the term of employment, you must be at least 15 years of age and not have reached age 19.

Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

Mailing Address (Street or P.O. Box)

City

State

Zip Code

Home Phone Number

In Case of an Emergency Phone Number

Applicant's Statement

YCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer

I am familiar with the YCC program and interested in working in the outdoors to develop and maintain the natural resources of the United States. If selected, I will obtain a work permit if required. I have or am applying for a social security number. I am a permanent resident of the United States or its Territories or possessions. I do not have a history of serious criminal or other antisocial behavior that might jeopardize my safety or that of others. I certify that all information I have given above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have not participated in any YCC program for more than 3 weeks in the past, nor have I submitted duplicated applications. Incorrect statements constitute grounds for immediate dismissal. You have my permission to give this application to any YCC official for whose camp I am selected.

(Signature of Applicant)

(Country)

I am familiar with the YCC program and the applicant has my permission to participate.

(Signature Parent/Guardian)

(Date)

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 the selected applicants. Furnishing your name and social security number is voluntary. However, your application cannot be processed without this information.



According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no agency may conduct or sponsor, and no person is required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB number. The OMB approval number for this collection is 0596-0084. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

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).