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 will have reached age 19.

Name (Last-First-Middle Initial)

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

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Male ☐ Female ☐

Social Security Number

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Tshirt size: _____
Boot size: _____

Mailing Address (Street or P.O. Box)

City State Zip + 4

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Telephone Number - Home

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In Case of Emergency

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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 whose camp I am selected.

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(Signature of Applicant) (Country)

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

(Signature of Parent or Guardian) _____ (Date)_____

Note: We reserve the right to reject applicants based on serious criminal records or behavioral problems.

Applications are due by 3 PM on April 18 at:
Illinois River NW&FR
19031 E County Road 2110N
Havana, IL 62644

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
YCC APPLICATION (FS-1800-18)

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. This information is requested on a voluntary basis, failure to complete this form will result in exclusion from the program. Privacy Act Systems of Records USDA/FS-29 Youth Conservation Corps Enrollee Records and USDA/FS-30 Youth Conservation Corps Recruitment System cover the collection and storage of, and access to these records.

BURDEN STATEMENT

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0596-0084. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 5 minutes/hours 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.

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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).