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NPS Rivers and Trails Conservation Assistance Program
NPS Historic Preservation Training Center
Alaska Region Parks
Intermountain Region
Midwest Region
National Capital Region
Northeast Region
Pacific West Region
Southeast Region

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INTRODUCTION



FOSTERING CONSERVATION SERVICE IN SUPPORT OF COMMUNITIES & ECOSYSTEMS

LOCAL ACTION. ENDURING IMPACT.

Conservation Legacy engaged young people and veterans on high priority projects in partnership with the National Park Service (NPS) to increase access to the great outdoors while conserving our natural resources for current and future generations to use and enjoy. Projects strengthened America's most treasured resources—our National Park Service lands and sites. The variety of projects completed was broader and more technical than in previous years as NPS partners are increasingly utilizing the expertise and value of Conservation Legacy members and crews. Preparing the next generation for careers, providing job training and facilitating individual growth were also critical components in all NPS partnerships and programs.

As a founding member of the Partnership for the 21st Century Conservation Service Corps, Conservation Legacy operates and supports programs that provide service and work opportunities for a diverse group of individuals to complete important conservation and community projects for the public benefit. Founded in 1998 to continue the legacy of the Civilian Conservation Corps, Conservation Legacy programs include Arizona Conservation Corps, Conservation Corps New Mexico, Great Appalachian Valley Conservation Corps, Southeast Conservation Corps, Southwest Conservation Corps, Stewards Individual Placements and Preserve America Youth Summit.

In addition to these regional programs, Conservation Legacy manages unique program models such as Ancestral Lands, Corps River Restoration and the Veterans Fire Corps. The objective of this partnership is to complete important conservation projects while providing young adults with structured, safe and challenging work and educational opportunities through service that promote personal growth, economic opportunity, the development of life skills and an ethic of natural resource stewardship. Conservation Legacy works toward making these opportunities available to a consistently diverse group of young people and veterans and to those who could most benefit from the experience.

CONSERVATION LEGACY IS DEDICATED TO:

ENGAGING YOUNG AMERICANS AND VETERANS IN SERVICE: Conservation Legacy provides service, training, education and employment opportunities for community members, including low income and disadvantaged youth and veterans. Each of its programs engages a diverse set of participants, reflective of their community.

CONSERVING, PROTECTING AND PROMOTING EACH COMMUNITY'S GREATEST GIFTS: Conservation Legacy maintains, restores and enhances public and tribal lands and waters as well as natural, cultural, and historical resources and treasures that meet locally identified needs.

BUILDING AMERICA'S FUTURE: Conservation Legacy helps develop a generation of skilled workers, educated and active citizens, future leaders and stewards of natural and cultural resources and communities. Conservation Legacy programs are far more than youth programs. They have been shown to have significant benefits for participants: improved job skills, communication skills, leadership tendencies, teamwork and life skills.

Members continue to build employment assets throughout their service term. Every Conservation Legacy member completes approximately four hours of on-going experiential training and education per week while working on conservation field projects. Interns in individual or small team placements typically undertake more technically challenging trainings and projects. Members and Individual Placements often leave programs with many opportunities to continue their employment, not only with project partners in the fields in which they have been working, but more broadly as well. The skills gained through Conservation Legacy programs translate to any field of work.

NATIONAL SERVICE: Conservation Legacy programs embrace the ethic of service, and offer participants an AmeriCorps Education Award, which can be used for education and student loan expenses, in exchange for their dedication and hard work in serving their community and country. Conservation Legacy also embraces private-public partnerships and works to leverage funds awarded to federal and state grant programs, amplifying the effect of our programs and collective impact.

EXTERNAL EVALUATION: Conservation Legacy also measures the results of its efforts through external evaluation. Beginning in 2012, Texas A&M University and Brigham Young University conducted three years of evaluations of Conservation Legacy participants along with participants from other conservation corps and compared the results to a study group of young people. Participants in corps programs such as those supported by Conservation Legacy reported significant increases in their ability to work in teams, leadership skills, self-responsibility, perseverance and communication. Since 2016, Conservation Legacy has engaged with outside evaluators to measure the impact of the work, how it relates to improvement of acres of land and miles of trail and waterways.

PROGRAM SUCCESS

Conservation Legacy's evolution as an organization has been direct conjunction with our growing partnership with the National Park Service (NPS). As NPS works towards preserving the natural and cultural resources and values of the National Park System for the enjoyment, education and inspiration of this and future generations, we are honored to play a role in the fulfillment of that effort.

In 2017, we recruited and selected almost 900 youth, young adults and veterans from a wealth of diverse backgrounds as we continued grow our service and conservation programs in cooperation with NPS to expose new segments of the population to public service and conservation careers while furthering their understanding and appreciation of our Nation's natural and cultural resources. We continue to provide high quality training, personal and professional growth and real on the job work experience through meaningful conservation opportunities. In addition to the significant amount of work our participants completed, we also provided educational programs to increase knowledge of the environment and to develop the next generation of stewards with a deep appreciation for our public lands.



BY THE NUMBERS 2017



CREW PROJECT ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

TOTAL CREW PROJECTS:

49

ACRES IMPROVED OR RESTORED:

548

MILES OF TRAIL CLEARED, MAINTAINED OR CONSTRUCTED:

129

MILES OF FENCE CONSTRUCTED, REMOVED OR REPAIRED:

3.3

TOTAL CREW PROJECT HOURS:

71,676

PARTICIPANTS:

TOTAL UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE ON NPS PROJECTS:

879

CONSERVATION CREW PARTICIPANTS: 363

TOTAL INDIVIDUAL PLACEMENTS: 339

AMERICORPS PLACEMENTS: 293
AMERICORPS VISTAS: 46

YOUTH SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS: 177

DEMOGRAPHICS:

EDUCATION LEVEL:

Bachelors Degree: 40.44% Some College: 23.96% High School Diploma: 13.96%

No High School Diploma or GED: 2.31%

Masters Degree: **5.82**% Associates Degree: **4.6**%

GENDER:

Male: 56.63% Female: 44.44% Other: .93%

RACE:

White: 66.32%

American Indian or Alaskan Native: 18.02%

Asian: 1.65%

Black/African American: 2.57%

More than one: 3.19%

Other: 5.15%

Prefer not to answer: 3.09%

ETHNICITY:

Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino: 82.59%

Hispanic/Latino: 11.89% Prefer not to answer: 5.53%

FINANCIALS:

FUNDING AMOUNTS:

Historic Preservation Training Center: \$190,373 Environmental Stewards: \$35,822.90

Geoscientists-in-the-Park Program: \$1,444,236.87

Intermountain Region: \$1,133,591

Midwest Regional Office (MWRO): \$11,020

Northern Rockies: \$211,050

Pacific West Regional Office (PWRO): \$53,071.96 Southeast Regional Office (SERO): \$267,402 Washington Support Office (WASO): \$1,086,793.83 Great Smoky Mountains: \$130,365

Point Reyes National Seashore: \$6,640 Shenandoah National Park: \$36,400 Natchez Trace Parkway: \$146,940.47

Jean Lafitte NHP: \$53,437.32

Other: \$6,450

TOTAL NATIONAL PARK SERVICE FUNDS: \$4.813.595.22



ROJECT SIT

NPS PROJECT SITES

Agate Fossil Beds National Monument Alaska Regional Office Amistad National Recreation Area Appomattox Court House National Historical Park Anacostia Park Assateague Island National Seashore Aztec Ruins National Monument **Badlands National Park** Bandelier National Monument Big Thicket National Preserve Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park Bryce Canyon National Park Cabrillo National Monument Cache la Poudre River National Heritage Area Canaveral National Seashore Cape Cod National Seashore Capitol Reef National Park Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site Chaco Culture National Historical Park Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park

Chickamauga & Chattanooga National Military Park Chiricahua National Monument Christiansted National Historic Site Colonial National Historical Park Colorado National Monument Congaree National Park Coronado National Memorial Cowpens National Battlefield Craters of the Moon

National Monument and Preserve Cumberland Gap National Historical Park Cumberland Island National Seashore Cuyahoga Valley National Park Death Valley National Park Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Denali National Park and Preserve

Detroit, Michigan

Devil's Tower National Monument Dinosaur National Monument El Morro National Monument El Malpais National Monument Fire Island National Seashore Florrisant Fossil Beds National Monument

Fort Donelson National Battlefield

Fort Frederica National Monument Fort Pulaski National Monument Fossil Butte National Monument

Frederick, Maryland

Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve George Washington Memorial Parkway Gettysburg National Military Park

Glacier National Park

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area Grand Canvon National Park Grand Tetons National Park

Great Basin National Park Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve Groundwork Elizabeth Groundwork Hudson Valley Groundwork Lawrence Groundwork Somerville Guadalupe Mountains National Park Gulf Islands National Seashore Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument

Heritage Partnerships Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site

Hopewell Furnace National Historic Site Hot Springs National Park Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore Isle Royale National Park & Keweenaw

National Historical Park Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve Jefferson Nation Expansion Memorial Jewel Cave National Monument John Day Fossil Beds National Monument Joshua Tree National Park

Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park Kalaupapa National Historical Park Kasha-Katuwe Tent Rocks National Monument

Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument Kings Mountain National Military Park Klamath I&M Network

Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site Lake Mead National Recreation Area Lassen Volcanic National Park

Lava Beds National Monument Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument

Little River Canyon National Preserve

Mammoth Cave National Park Mesa Verde National Park Mojave Desert Network Moore's Creek National Battlefield

Mount Rainier National Park

Natchez Trace Parkway National Capital Parks East

(Urban Ecology Research Learning Alliance) National Capital Region

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park New River Gorge National River Ninety Six National Historic Site North Cascades National Park

Northeast Coastal and Barrier Network Northeast Region Archeology Program

Ocmulgee National Monument Olympic National Park

Oregon Caves National Monument & Preserve Organ Mountains Desert Peaks

National Monument Pacific West Region Petrified Forest National Park

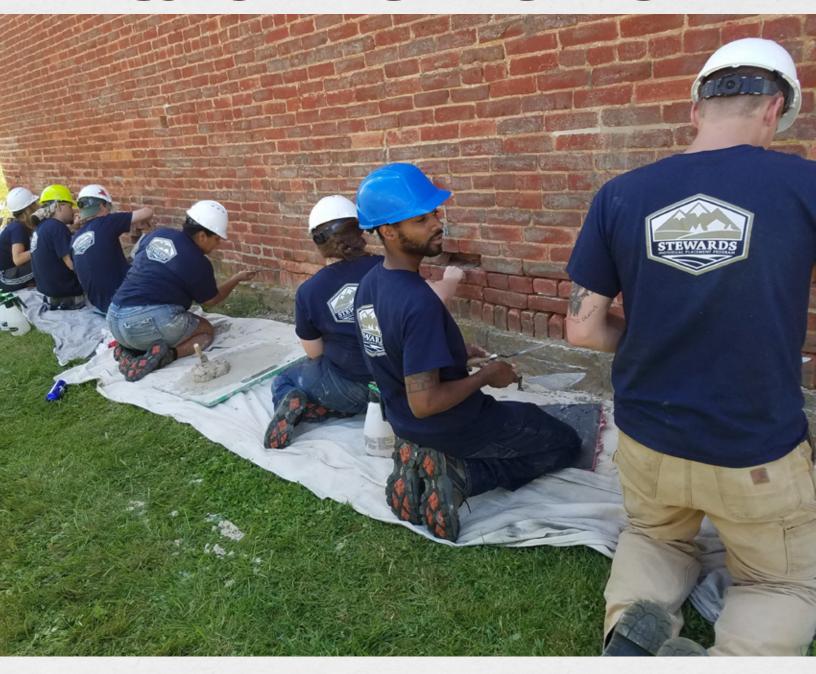
Petroglyph National Monument Picture Rocks National Lakeshore Pipe Spring National Monument Redwood National Park Rock Creek Park Rocky Mountain National Park Russell Cave National Monument Saguaro National Park Salinas Pueblo Missions National Monument San Antonio Missions National Historical Park San Juan Islands National Historic Park San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park

Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area

Santa Monica Mountains

National Recreation Area Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks Shenandoah National Park Shiloh National Military Park Sierra Nevada Network South Park National Heritage Area Southeast Regional office Southwest Alaska Network Stones River National Battlefield Timpanogos Cave National Monument Timucuan Ecological and Historical Preserve Tumacácori National Historical Park Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site Tuzigoot National Monument Valley Forge National Historical Park Voyagers National Park Waco Mammoth National Monument Walnut Canyon National Monument War in the Pacific National Historic Site Water Resources Division Weir Farm National Historic Site White Sands National Monument Wupatki National Monument Yellowstone National Park Yosemite National Park Zion National Park

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS



"I AM THANKFUL FOR BEING ABLE TO WORK AND EXPERIENCE THIS OPPORTUNITY, IT HAS HELPED ME DECIDE WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO IN THE FUTURE—CREATE A CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM FOR YOUTH SO THEY CAN MAKE BETTER DECISIONS, AND STAY AWAY FROM THE STREETS."

-MIGUEL MCCASKILL,
HPTC TRADITIONAL TRADES YOUTH INITIATIVE

STEWARDS INDIVIDUAL PLACEMENT PROGRAM



MIGUEL MCCASKILL

HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND TRAINING CENTER (HPTC) TRADITIONAL TRADES YOUTH INITIATIVE

Conservation Legacy's Stewards Individual Placement Program partnered with HPTC to expose individuals to traditional woodworking and masonry projects and teach them the art of preserving historic resources. All Stewards placements start their terms at the Historic Preservation and Training Center in Frederick, Maryland, and then are sent out to communities with historic structures in need of restoration.

Miguel McCaskill was a member of the Traditional Trades Youth Initiative, a program within the Steward's HPTC partnership, which focused on individuals of Hispanic/Latino descent. These Stewards received skills training in a variety of traditional trades and gained excellent exposure to the National Park Service, the preservation career field and historic resource stewardship. Each member was then assigned to an HPTC trade (Architecture, Carpentry, Masonry or Woodcrafting) at rotating intervals to obtain a well-rounded experience. Throughout their rotations, they worked closely with experienced craftspeople, serving as assistants and/or apprentice level trade workers.

During his term, Miguel has developed his professional communication skills, as well as the basic essentials of construction, safety and machinery use. He learned the art and culture of brick layering, wood working and wood shingles. He learned how to prepare and replace a roof. With this knowledge he was able to replace half of a roof on an existing historical building himself and is proud to say he is able to provide a good roof over someone's head. He is currently traveling to work on a bridge, excited to provide the community a service and know that local people will then use the improved bridge.

JULIAN OYOLA

GULF ISLANDS NATIONAL SEASHORE

Julian Oyola served as part of the Gulf Islands National Seashore Youth Ambassador Civic Leadership program. He led public programs focused on discovery of recreational activities such as kayaking, living history programs and wilderness overnight camp-outs while also working with park staff to manage stewardship programs for local citizens.

"I AM NOW PURSUING A DEGREE IN GEOLOGY BECAUSE OF WHAT I HAVE LEARNED FROM THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE. THE SKILLS I'VE OBTAINED ARE IMMEASURABLE."



Throughout the course of his term, Julian completed a wide variety of tasks to promote the NPS and set an important example of stewardship to the next generation. An example of the projects he completed includes a sea turtle education program, which brings school groups in from other states to explore the birthing grounds of thousands of loggerhead sea turtles, teaching students about the human impacts on turtles. A dragonfly larva bioaccumulation survey was accomplished during the summer, bringing high school students into the field to collect dragonfly larvae to be sent out and inspected to monitor levels of mercury in the region's wetlands. Night sky park programs were reinstated by Julian, teaching the public about light pollution and ithe effect it has on wildlife and local human culture. Julian felt his biggest accomplishment was creating a guided phenology trail program for the park.

During his term, Julian saw four locals apply to volunteer and stay as volunteers in their local park. He believes the park addresses issues in the community that give people a new found respect for conservation, the National Park Service and their community

SOUTHEAST CONSERVATION CORPS



FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT INTERNS

GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK

In 2017, Southeast Conservation Corps placed interns at several regional NPS units in a variety of roles, including wildlife, archeology, fisheries and vegetation mapping and monitoring. Since 2015, SECC interns have been performing meaningful work at Great Smoky Mountains National Park, with a continued focus on fisheries and wildlife management. This year, 25 interns served in the park. These projects help protect and preserve the park for generations to come.

SECC fisheries interns are trained in small stream monitoring efforts of trout populations and work using backpack electro-fishing gear throughout the 520,000 acres of Great Smoky Mountains National Park (GRSM). The interns assist with native fish monitoring, large stream fish population monitoring and native fish restoration on NPS and USFS lands. Skills and training acquired through the internship include the use, construction and maintenance of backpack electro-fishing gear, small stream sampling guidelines, population enumeration using depletion estimates, identification of 20-40 fish species, physical and chemical stream measurements, data entry and editing techniques and backcountry sampling and camping techniques. Interns work with a team of federal, state, and private biologists, as well as university researchers.

Also within GRSM are a variety of wildlife species, several of which require active management and research throughout the year, including mitigation of human-wildlife conflict. Wildlife interns assist GRSM Wildlife Management staff in a wide variety of duties related to black bear and elk research and management, exotic wild hog control and various other duties as needed.

2017 SECC PLACEMENTS:

45 TOTAL PARTICIPANTS

CHICKAMAUGA & CHATTANOOGA NMP

Urban Archeology Crew Historic Preservation Crew

Intern: Historic Preservation and Restoration

GREAT SMOKEY MOUNTAINS NP

In terms: Fisheries, Wildlife, Vegetation, Archeology

and Cultural Resources

KINGS MOUNTAIN NMP

Invasives, Trails and Fire Fuels Reduction Crew

NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY

Trail Repair and Construction Crew

SOUTHEAST COAST NETWORK I&M NPS

Intern:Terrestrial Monitoring

CUMBERLAND PIEDMONT NETWORK I&M NPS

Intern: Vegetation Monitoring

"THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AND SOUTHEAST CONSERVATION CORPS TOGETHER HAVE EXCEEDED MY EXPECTATIONS."

"I went into this internship with a clear goal to add as many things to my resume as possible. The National Park Service and the Southeast Conservation Corps together have exceeded my expectations in obtaining that goal. I have done so many new and extraordinary things throughout this internship! I have helped black bears and bear cubs, relocated white tailed deer, trapped wild animals, helped solve wildlife damage issues and assisted in the eradication of feral animals from the landscape. I am most proud of the relationships I have made and will retain in the years to come."

-SETH WORLEY, SECC WILDLIFE INTERN



URBAN ARCHAEOLOGY CORPS

MOCCASIN BEND ARCHAEOLOGICAL DISTRICT CHICKAMAUGA AND CHATTANOOGA NATIONAL MILITARY PARK

Located in Moccasin Bend National Archaeological District, the Blue Blazes Trail is a two mile loop trail that goes through the forests and swamps near the southern end of Moccasin Bend in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The trail follows a series of levies, taking visitors along ancient shorelines and through quiet forest. There is an abundance of wildlife, along with natural and cultural resources.

The bogs and swampy areas that the Blue Blazes Trail crosses created muddy and puddled stretches of trail that were cumbersome to some visitors. Wanting to preserve the original outlined path of the trail and keep to the cultural significance the path followed, the Park Service partnered with SECC to hire crews to construct bog bridges and boardwalks along those areas. Starting summer 2015, CHCH NMP partnered with SECC to create our first Urban Archaeology Corps (UAC). Today, the UAC is a youth crew employing eight high school aged members from the greater Chattanooga area for six weeks of conservation service projects based in Moccasin Bend. This summer alone, the crew hauled in all materials for and constructed 18 bog bridges, totaling 149 feet in length. The crew also constructed two ADA board walks, 16 feet in length each with ADA ramps on either side.



"I've only just finished my first week with SECC but I can already tell that it will be one of the best and most rewarding experiences that I've ever had. The crew I'm a part of already seems to be working quite hard and communicating extremely well which means we should be in for a great season. I'm looking forward to growing my knowledge about the outdoors and building lifelong relationships with the people I'm working with."

-CALEB ATKINS, CREW MEMBER

GREAT APPALACHIAN VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS



"SHENANDOAH WAS AN INCREDIBLY HELPFUL PROJECT PARTNER, WITH THEIR STAFF WORKING ALONGSIDE US AND TEACHING EVERYTHING FROM BOUNDARY MARKING TO BRIDGE BUILDING."

-ELEANOR, GAVCC CREW LEADER

SHENANDOAH NATIONAL PARK

During the spring, a GAVCC crew of six ventured into Shenandoah National Park for a season of boundary marking, bridge construction and wildfire rehab. The crew's season began in early March within both the North and South Districts of Shenandoah National Park

The first portion of the season was dedicated to boundary marking. Crew members quickly became a well-oiled boundary marking machine, using GPS, paintbrushes and hatchets to leave National Park boundary signs and markings along the ridge lines and draws of the Blue Ridge Mountains. During this period, the crew hiked and marked 25.86 miles of boundary.

The second portion of the season brought about education opportunities, bridge reconstruction and wild-fire damaged trail rehab. The crew worked alongside park staff in deconstructing and then building a 160 foot bridge that allows park visitors to cross a protected wetland traveling from a campground wayside to the Appalachian Trail. Working with the park compliance officers, bio-technicians and trails professionals allowed the crew to see, first-hand, the processes necessary to build trails structures, while preserving the environment that is being impacted.

ARIZONA CONSERVATION CORPS

PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK

One crew of eight members worked at Petrified Forest National Park, building new fence on the expanded boundary of the Park over three weeks of work in the summer of 2017. The constructed fence is friendly to wildlife while also serving as a livestock enclosure boundary. After completing the new fence construction, the crew addressed some problem areas in the existing fence line, repairing sections by replacing T-Posts, re-tensioning wire, resetting braces, replacing clips and stays, and more. This project primarily involved fence-building and repair around the Puerco River as well as various facilities maintenance tasks around the Painted Desert Visitor Center. The project presented some challenges, but the crew accomplished a great amount of work.

In addition to the fence work, the crew also assisted facilities maintenance staff with various projects around the park, including construction of a Yurt in a remote area. The crew members learned how to safely use construction power tools under Park staff guidance. Many future planned projects will require a base of operations separate from park headquarters. This yurt will serve as that base for these projects in the far reaches of Petrified Forest.

Other projects included weed management around the visitor center, shelf construction for facilities maintenance shop organization and landscaping. The crew also participated in education opportunities involving paleontology and geology. They visited the park's paleontology lab and learned of a possible new species of dinosaur discovered near their worksite.



"I'm proud to be conserving my beautiful homelands and maintaining nice national parks for people to enjoy. Now that I've experienced one term of AZCC, it changed the way I think about our community and land. I'm ready for more work."

- MALIK BONES, CREW MEMBER

CONSERVATION CORPS NEW MEXICO



GUADALUPE MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK

Conservation Corps New Mexico Crews 502 and 503 have spent a large part of their summer season hard at work on the Indian Meadows Nature Trail in Guadalupe Mountains National Park. This trail lies near the remote Dog Canyon Ranger Station and is a central and accessible interpretive 0.6 mile loop that provides insights on the natural and cultural history of the meadow and the surrounding area. Having suffered from years of erosion, the trail is now receiving a major facelift as the crews apply new gravel. The process is complex, involving an assembly line of wheelbarrows and a gator-powered wench to relay the gravel down and up a steep wash that cuts through the beginning of the trail. The crews have also cleared the entirety of trail from encroaching brush and have been constructing multiple water bars (56 and counting) on steeper sections of trail.

The crews have had a truly unforgettable and unique experience working in Dog Canyon. They witnessed some interesting weather events, including frequent afternoon monsoon thunderstorms and two flash floods through the wash adjacent to the trail. These fascinating weather events, as well as the remote and distinctive location of Dog Canyon, have given the crews a lot to bond over. As Rylee Howstrawser of Crew 502 stated, "This season was not easy, but I wouldn't trade any of it. I'm grateful for the amazing people I met, the hilarious memories we made, and the personal growth I experienced."

SOUTHWEST CONSERVATION CORPS

GREAT SAND DUNES NATIONAL PARK

Southwest Conservation Corps crews have a long history of caring for the Great Sand Dunes National Park. From up keep of visitor facilities to ensuring campgrounds are bear-safe to maintaining trails throughout the park, SCC is a critical resource as the National Park Service struggles with increasing visitor usage and decreasing budgets each year.

CONNECTION CREWS

This summer, two crews from SCC's summer youth programs worked to maintain the well-loved Mosca Pass and Overlook trails in the park. During the summer crew members learn the value of hard work as well as have an opportunity to learn more about this incredible landscape. Members are 14-18 years old and local to the San Luis Valley and surrounding counties. During their season they are able to give back directly to their communities and learn how they can have a positive impact in stewarding their local public lands.

SOUTHWEST EXOTIC PLANT MANAGEMENT TEAM (SWEPMT)

One adult crew also served in the Park, focusing on re-treating noxious weeds. Leafy spurge was the priority, but Canada Thistle and Mullein were also on the list for removal. The remoteness of the project required extensive hiking and driving to get to project locations. The second part of this project was to spread native seeds throughout areas that had previously been invaded by exotic species. The project was a success and SCC expects that it will take on more of these projects in the future.





ANTHONY PELOSO,
FACILITIES ASSISTANT INTERN
MESA VERDE NATIONAL PARK

"I have worked on various projects including performing condition assessments of the parks assets, work order classification corrections, project work order clean up and energy uploads for FY2017. Primarily, my projects have been in the maintenance office but while performing my assessments, I have worked throughout Mesa Verde. Some of the highlights have been the cliff dwelling tours I've been on, being a part of collaborative projects and having the freedom to be outside whenever I wanted.

I think I am most proud of my work with the classification errors—I went through 1538 errors and corrected the mistakes; bringing Mesa Verde from an accuracy of 74% to 97.14%. I believe this experience has built upon the skills I already possess while giving me new skills that can be used for a wide array of careers.

"THE NPS DOES
A FANTASTIC JOB
OF MAINTAINING
THIS NATION'S
MOST PRECIOUS
ENVIRONMENTS, I
AM PROUD TO BE OF
ASSISTANCE AS A
MEMBER OF THE SCC."

-JACK MCGARVEY, SCC CREW MEMBER

ANCESTRAL LANDS

2017 was another incredible year or Ancestral Lands. Native American youth and young adults were engaged through the following Conservation Legacy Programs programs:

ARIZONA CONSERVATION CORPS (AZCC)

AZCC fielded a crew of eight participants from White Mountain Apache working at Petrified Forest National Park. The crew installed over a mile of new, wildlife permeable fence and repaired over four miles of existing fence, protecting park resources and visitors from encroaching cattle. The crew also constructed a Yurt deck that will support years of future project staff performing additional protection or research work in a remote part of the park.

SOUTHWEST CONSERVATION CORPS ANCESTRAL LANDS HIKING CLUBS:

Acoma and Zuni youth took part in two hiking clubs over the summer months, providing culturally significant and immersive outdoor recreation programs in local National Parks units and on other sacred ancestral lands. These hiking clubs were supported and lead by two individual placements at each Acoma and Zuni program.

ZUNI ROVING CREW:

A five-person crew spent four weeks working at El Morro and El Malapais National Monuments completing historic preservation with the Vanishing Treasures Crew.

HOPI ROVING CREW:

The SCC Ancestral Lands Hopi Office will be fielding two crews utilizing WASO funding to reconnect youth and young adults with their traditional cultural properties. One crew will be spending a two week hitch at Navajo National Monument conducting trail repair on a historic section inside the monument. The second crew will be working at the Grand Canyon National Park for two weeks on the North Rim.

LA PLAZITA INSTITUTE BARRIO CORPS:

This year, the Native Barrio Corps engaged five youth from five Tribes in eight months of project work. The crew completed important invasive species removal, fence repair, and fire mitigation at Petroglyph National Monument.

ANCESTRAL LANDS NPS TRIBAL RESILIENCY VISTAS

In 2017 Conservation Legacy's Stewards and Ancestral Lands Programs developed a partnership with the AmeriCorps Tribal Resiliency program to place 12 individual year-long Native American AmeriCorps VISTAs (Volunteer In Service To America) in sites across the Nation, nine of which were placed at NPS sites. These VISTAs work to build relationships and capacity for National Park Units and Native American Communities of need. Many of these VISTAS are hosted by National Park Units in partnership with local conservation corps, who can offer assistance, guidance and support on-site. VISTAs will build support networks between potential tribal partners/communities and NPS sites to explore the potentials of starting and supporting Native American focused programming at the local level.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

NATIVE YOUTH COMMUNITY ADAPTATION AND LEADERSHIP CONGRESS

The Ancestral Lands Program was honored to be given the opportunity to bring 18 participants to attend this year's Native Youth Community Adaptation and Leadership Congress (NY-CALC) at the National Conservation Training Center (NCTC) in Shepherdstown, West Virginia. This event brings together Native youth from around the country, including Alaska, Hawaii, and American Samoa, to learn about environmental issues impacting our Native communities, develop leadership and professional skills, and create projects to address environmental challenges back home.

SOCIETY OF AMERICAN INDIAN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES (SAIGE) CONFERENCE

Ancestral Lands members were invited to be a part of the 2017 SAIGE Conference again this year and found it to be a transformational experience in both personal and professional growth and development. SAIGE is the first national non-profit organization representing American Indian and Alaska Native Federal, Tribal, State, and local government employees. SAIGE provides a forum on the issues, challenges, and opportunities and works to foster a professional network among government employees. Five Ancestral Lands participants attended this year's SAIGE Youth Training Program. The conference gave members the chance to network with current tribal leaders, connect with peers, set goals and glean inspiration from the gathering of leadership.

PRESERVE AMERICA YOUTH SUMMIT



The Preserve America Youth Summit Program began in 2007 with the goal of creating an opportunity for young people aged 13 to 18 to get out of the classroom and into the field to learn about history, archaeology, heritage tourism, and preservation. Interacting directly with community partners such as federal, state and local governments and agencies as well as non-profit historic preservation, tourism, community, and education organizations, each Youth Summit provides interactive, outcome-driven learning experiences and service opportunities.





2017 HIGHLIGHTS

"At El Morro National Monument, we were able to reflect on our experiences with the park rangers after a morning of hiking and exploring the carvings and engravings in the walls of the cliffs and the ancestral homes of the Zuni Pueblos. To the youth summit students and staff, El Morro is historical, essential, important, sacred, good-for-community, reflective, a window to the past, infinite, special, natural, a continuing legacy, rejuvenation of culture, educational, full of history, gorgeous and so much more that we can't possibly fit in a single sentence! We hope that when visitors come to this historic location, they too find a word or two within themselves that embodies their personal experience. Thank you El Morro National Monument, you gave us the experience of a lifetime!

At Volcanoes Day Area at Petroglyph National Monument, we learned from park rangers about the impacts people can have on historic sites and landmarks. Specifically, we learned about the impacts of vandalism in Petroglyph National Monument. The best way we can prevent this kind of damage to our cultural resources is to promote tourism and make others aware of the immense educational value of them. In doing so, people will be motivated to preserve and protect them for future generations."

2017 SUMMIT LOCATIONS:

WASHINGTON D.C.

TEXAS:

Padre Island National Seashore and Palo Alto National Historic Park

DENVER, COLORADO:

Next Decade Leaders, Saving Colorado's Special Places

NEW MEXICO:

Cultural Confluences Albuquerque Area Historic Landscapes

COLORADO:

The Gold Belt Tour National Scenic Byway and Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument

177 TOTAL PARTICIPANTS

PARTICIPANT QUOTES



"Shenandoah was an incredibly helpful project partner, with their staff working alongside us and helping us learn everything from boundary marking to bridge building. The staff offered advice on navigating the wilderness that is USAJobs and gave us important contacts for future work. I'm coming back this fall to lead and I'm looking forward both to the challenge and to working with my friends again in Shenandoah National Park."

-ELEANOR, GAVCC CREW LEADER

"So far, the experience I've had with SECC has been one of the best experiences I've had. During the second week of working as a part of the Urban Archeology Crew, we had a very progressive five days. Even with the heat and humidity throughout the week, we pushed through seven whole bog bridges and cut down about 80 square feet of privet, which is an invasive species along the Blue Blazes Trail. I am happy to be a part of a crew with the most hardworking group of people I have worked with."

-ASHLYN NAYLOR, SECC CREW MEMBER

"The spirit and camaraderie built through arduous labor in harsh environments as a team is irreplaceable. This rare and hard sought camaraderie is a result that, through the conservation corps, we have all been gifted, and perhaps one we were looking for.[...] It is a well-known phenomenon that the harder one works, the faster the day goes, and our group proves this theory correct when we are in the field."

-ELLIOT DAWES, SECC ADULT CREW MEMBER

"I'm excited for myself in terms of skills and future job opportunities. I'm excited to be working with inspiring folks and to make lifelong bonds with this new group of people. I'm excited to work harder than I have ever worked before, doing something bigger than me, serving others, and being out in nature!"

-JULIA SMITH, SECC CREW MEMBER

"Growing up I was always intrigued by my grandfather's stories, especially those about the Civilian Conservation Corps and the back breaking labor they did to preserve America's natural resources. Something about those tales of the old days stirred in my heart and inspired me to play my part in the larger story. Through my participating in AZCC, I have been able to do just that. I can say that I have played my part in removing invasive plant species, restoring ecosystems and preserving the natural beauty found across the great state of Arizona. I will forever be grateful to the Arizona Conservation Corps for the skills acquired, camaraderie experienced, and memories made."

-PHILIP MARLIN, AZCC CREW MEMBER

"So far each job we had we exceeded our project partner's expectations. In Tumacacori all they were expecting was for us to pull invasive plant species and water cottonwood trees. Little did they know that we would complete those tasks in two days with four work days to spare. They then proceeded in giving us the task of clearing the fence line and we finished almost all of it in 104 degree heat. They were all so happy. Thank you for this opportunity. It's given me so much and we're only a month in. I LOVE IT!"

-SHANE CLAW, AZCC CREW MEMBER

"This program has not only inspired these kids and myself but the community and our cultures have gained strength through teaching our youth the knowledge of our ancestors. Never in my life have I seen young children know so much about their culture. This is what keeps our culture alive, as well as our people, to know the importance of this identity that we hold close to us. This program has definitely contributed to that."

-LATIA HOOEE, SCC HIKING CLUB LEADER

PARTNER QUOTES

"The Urban Archeology Corps, as part of the Southeast Conservation Corps, have worked on the Blue Blazes Trail for three consecutive summers making sure visitors to Moccasin Bend's original outdoor trail system are able to safely and dryly take in the natural surroundings provided by this preserved piece of land. Without their hard work and dedication, this trail would have fallen into great disrepair, hindering the visitor experience on Moccasin Bend."

-CHRIS YOUNG, CHICKAMAUGA & CHATTANOOGA NMP

"Once again Tumacacori NHP received a outstanding crew! More work was completed than expected with the tasks being completed in a timely and professional manner (and under extreme heat conditions). Please let your staff know that they are doing an excellent job and I look forward to working with you in the future."

-ERIC HERRERA, TUMACACORI NHP

"Connecting youth to their public lands through conservation, education and recreation is cultivating the next generation of National Park Service ambassadors. The Southwest Conservation Corps Ancestral Lands program should be commended for playing a critical role in this movement."

-LONNIE PILKINGTON, GLEN CANYON NRA

"It has been a pleasure hosting an intern this summer in the maintenance division at Mesa Verde National Park. I could not have had a better person to accomplish many much needed projects. I feel the program is very well organized and that it was a smooth process in advertising, hiring and supervising the individual. I would use this program again and recommend it to other agencies."

-JENNIFER LORICH, MESA VERDE NP

"I appreciate all the work the crews accomplished and the sense of community they all bring. All the crew leaders deserve a special commendation for making my job easier by striving for high standards while still being efficient. Kudos to all of the staff at SCC for preparing the crews well and making it an invaluable experience for so many young adults, the future stewards of our wild spaces and cultural treasures. Keep up the good work!"

-PATRICK ORTIZ, GREAT SAND DUNES NP

"It has been a pleasure and privilege to work with Conservation Legacy's Ancestral Lands Program. The quality of their work is outstanding as is their leadership, work ethic, and enthusiasm. We look forward to our continued partnership."

-STEVE BAUMANN, EL MALPAIS AND EL MORRO NM

"The partnership with Southwest Conservation Corps' Ancestral Lands Program and La Plazita Institute continues to be one that we truly value. Since 2015, the youth corps members and partner organizations have all gleaned both direct and indirect benefits. Through this multi partner relationship in Albuquerque, New Mexico, the National Park Service has been able to work with like-minded organizations to serve segments of the community that had previously gone unserved by the NPS. Reinforcing a land stewardship ethic among youth and connecting youth to a significant cultural landscape are purposes we are proud to serve as a unit of the national parks system in this large, multicultural urban center."

-DENNIS A. VASQUEZ, PETROGLYPH NM





CONCLUSION



FOSTERING CONSERVATION SERVICE IN SUPPORT OF COMMUNITIES & ECOSYSTEMS

LOCAL ACTION. ENDURING IMPACT.

Participation in corps programming has a long track record of success resulting in young people developing professional and life skills as well as an increased awareness of environmental and resource stewardship. These activities promote the mission and vision to which both the National Park Service and Conservation Legacy are committed. The physical and financial support from the National Park Service, the interns, crews, communities, partner agencies, staff and partner conservation corps in this effort have been remarkable.

Conservation Legacy and partner corps are humbled to continue to learn and grow together and to continue to provide systems, administrative and coordinating services that can build capacity at the local level to engage youth and young adults with public lands, for the betterment of our shared future.

Conservation Legacy is extremely enthusiastic about the opportunity to continue its partnership with the National Park Service to expand opportunities for young people to serve on public lands and to provide much needed services in the areas of land restoration, trail maintenance and construction, vegetation management, historic preservation, wildfire prevention, community development and other critical needs.

APPENDIX A:

PRESS AND MEDIA



RECOGNITION

THE KATHY FLYNN PRESERVATION AWARDS

In recognition of the historic legacy of the Civilian Conservation Corps and the contemporary contribution of the various AmeriCorps service programs employing youth and building and restoring the natural and built environment, the National New Deal Preservation Association is pleased to present The Kathy Flynn Preservation Award to the Stewards Individual Placement Program of Conservation Legacy.

The Kathy Flynn Preservation Awards were established by The National New Deal Preservation Association to be awarded at an annual recognition event to honor those who have provided outstanding efforts, education, work and activism for the identification, documentation and preservation of the New Deal visual and performing arts, literature, structures, environmental projects and social programs.

Four AmeriCorps members have been assigned to do preservation work at the home of the Franklin Roosevelt National Historic Site in Hyde Park, NY by the Stewards Individual Placement Program. They will be assisting the National Park Service and Historic Preservation Training Center (HPTC) with this project. The Stewards are part of an HPTC preservation work crew and have been learning skills in the maintenance, stabilization, restoration, repair and preservation of historic buildings, with particular emphasis in wood-crafting.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY

NoeMesha Williams, the AmeriCorps VISTA member at San Francisco Maritime organized an MLK Day event that combined educational tours and a NPS Ranger Panel. The panel of NPS Rangers spoke on Civil Rights and NPS history. About 200 community members attended the panel.

FULL PRESS AND MEDIA LIST:

PRESERVING COLORADO'S HERITAGE

COLORADO KIDS NEWSLETTER • AUGUST 2017

https://nieonline.com/coloradonie/downloads/coloradokids/CK081517.pdf

AZ CONSERVATION CORPS' GRADUATES 21 MEMBERS

WHITE MOUNTAIN INDEPENDENT • AUGUST 29 2017

 $http://www.wmicentral.com/news/latest_news/az-conservation-corps-graduates-members/article_ac55bf82-c7d9-5390-9429-7f71ec26376b.html$

2017 COLORADO PRESERVE AMERICA YOUTH SUMMIT

MOSAICS IN SCIENCE • JULY 24, 2017

http://www.mosaicsinscience.org/2017-colorado-preserve-america-youth-summit/

COLORADO STUDENTS TOURING ST. CLOUD HOTEL

COLORADO DAILY RECORD • JULY 13, 2017

http://www.canoncitydailyrecord.com/news/colorado/ci_31135691/colorado-students-touring-st-cloud-hotel-encouraged-use

ELECTED OFFICIALS TARGET NATIONAL PARK FUNDING

KVOA NEWS 4 TUCSON • JULY 11, 2017

http://www.kvoa.com/story/35862734/n4t-investigators-elected-official starget-national-park-funding-problems

HOPI TEENS MAKE A DIFFERENCE AT THE RUINS

TRI VALLEY DISPATCH • JULY 5, 2017

 $http://www.pinalcentral.com/trivalley_dispatch/news/hopi-teens-make-a-difference-at-the-ruins/article_d097885c-570a-5bdd-8139-3d2d8086681a. html$

NATIVE YOUTH CONSERVATION CORPS CLEANS UP

THE TRIBUNE • JUNE 15, 2017

http://tribunenewsnow.com/native-youth-conservation-corps-cleans-up-waters-of-clear-creek/

MORTAR HOLDS WALLS, HISTORY AND CULTURE

WHITE MOUNTAIN INDEPENDENT • JUNE 13, 2017

http://www.wmicentral.com/news/apache_county/mortar-holds-walls-history-and-culture/article_06376be6-cda7-5dc5-9251-b290a80d65d1.html

CELEBRATE PARTNERSHIP TO RESTORE VISITOR CENTER

WHITE MOUNTAIN INDEPENDENT • APRIL 14, 2017

http://www.wmicentral.com/news/arizona_news/celebrate-public-private-partnership-to-restore-visitor-center-at-petrified/article_967b6ec1-5ab3-5887-a5d4-2498a0c72693.html

TEEN VOLUNTEERS GET DOWN, DIRTY TO HELP

ALBUQUERQUE JOURNAL • NOVEMBER 3, 2016

https://www.abqjournal.com/880813/going-with-the-flow.html

DEVELOPING THE NEXT GENERATION

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE WEBSITE • OCTOBER, 2016

https://www.nps.gov/resources/2016.htm?id=7751B156-1DD8-B71B-0BA4690FE591F5EB

ZUNI CREW PRESERVES ANCESTOR'S LEGACY

THE JOURNAL • OCTOBER 26, 2016

https://the-journal.com/articles/31079-zuni-crew-preserves-ancestors-legacy

APPENDIX B:

FULL PROJECT LIST

CREW PROJECTS

Aztec Ruins National Monument

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands Support local economies and restore community/cultural assets P17AC00631

Aztec Ruins National Monument

Southwest Conservation Corps Restore, protect and improve habitat P17AC01008

Bandelier National Monument

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands SWEPMT Restoration Restore, protect and improve habitat P17AC00103

Chaco Culture National Historical Park

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands Chaco Canyon Preservation Crew Support local economies and restore community/cultural assets P17AC00561

Chickamauga & Chattanooga National Military Park

Southeast Conservation Corps Historic Preservation Crew Restore, protect and improve habitat and cultural assets P17AC00505

Chickamauga & Chattanooga National Military Park

Southeast Conservation Corps Urban Arch Crew Improve recreational access P17AC00201

Chickamauga & Chattanooga National Military Park

Southeast Conservation Corps Glen Falls/Jackson Gap Trail Crew Improve recreational access P16AC01309

Chiricahua National Monument

Arizona Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P16AC00052

El Morro National Monument

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands Preservation and Trail Crew Improve recreational access P15AC01303

El Malpais National Monument

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands Trail Maintenance and Fence Crew Restore, protect and improve habitat P15AC01142

Flagstaff Area National Monuments

Arizona Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P17AC00771

Flagstaff Area National Monuments: Wupatki and Wukoki

Arizona Conservation Corps Improve recreational access /ADA P16AC01186

Flagstaff Area National Monuments: Wupatki and Walnut Canyon

Arizona Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands Improve recreational access and restoration P17AC00148

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands Restore, protect and improve habitat P17AC00152

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

Southwest Conservation Corps Escalante River Watershed Partnership Restoration Restore, protect and improve habitat P16AC01240

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands Lees Ferry Preservation Crew Support local economies and restore cultural assets P16AC01039

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

Southwest Conservation Corps Escalante River Watershed Partnership Restore, protect and improve habitat P17AC01079

Grand Canyon National Park

Arizona Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P16AC00028

Grand Canyon National Park

Arizona Conservation Corps Trails Crew Improve recreational access P16AC00789

Grand Canyon National Park

Arizona Conservation Corps Trail Crew Improve recreational access P17AC00313

Grand Canyon National Park

Arizona Conservation Corp-Ancestral Lands Improve recreational access P17AC00554

Grand Canyon National Park

Arizona Conservation Corps Restore, protect and improve habitat P17AC00073

Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve

Southwest Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P17AC00760

Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve

Southwest Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P16AC01004

Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve

Southwest Conservation Corps Restore, protect and improve habitat P17AC00294

Guadalupe Mountains National Park

Arizona Conservation Corps/Conservation Corps New Mexico Improve recreational access P16AC01008

Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands Farmland Preservation Crew Support local economies and restore cultural assets P16AC00364

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Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands Farmland Preservation Crew Support local economies and restore cultural assets P17AC00248

Mesa Verde National Park

Southwest Conservation Corps Trail Crew Improve recreational access P17AC00506

Natchez Trace Parkway

Southeast Conservation Corps Jeff Busby/ Yockanookany Trail Crew Improve recreational access P16AC01683

Natchez Trace Parkway

Great Appalachian Valley Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P16AC01683

Ninety Six National Historic Site

Southeast Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P16AC01755

Ninety Six National Historic Site

Southeast Conservation Corps Trail Crew Improve recreational access P16AC01755

Petrified Forest National Park

Arizona Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P17AC00825

Petrified Forest National Park

Arizona Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P17AC00402

Petroglyph National Monument

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands WASO La Plazita Institute Crew Support local economies and restore community/cultural assets P17AC00675

Pipe Spring National Monument

Arizona Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P16AC01252

Saguaro National Park

Arizona Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P16AC00670

Shenandoah National Park

Great Appalachian Valley CC Improve recreational access P17AC00136

Tumacácori National Historical Park

Arizona Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P15AC00260

Tumacácori National Historical Park

Arizona Conservation Corps Improve recreational access P17AC00772

Tumacácori National Historical Park

Arizona Conservation Corps SWEPMT Restore, protect and improve habitat P17AC00271

Tuzigoot National Monument

Arizona Conservation Corps Youth Conservation Corps Crew Improve recreational access P17AC00130

Multiple NPS Sites: CACH, CAGR, CHCA, MEVE

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands WASO Zuni Roving Crew Restore, protect and improve habitat P16AC00446-2

Multiple NPS Sites: PEFO, CAGR, GLCA, JOTR, MUWO

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands Native Conservation Corps Conduct meaningful research, survey and community engagement P17AC00722

Multiple NPS Sites: AZRU, BAND, ELMA, ELMO, PECO

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands SWEPMT Restoration Restore, protect and improve habitat P16AC01598

Multiple NPS Sites: GLCA, ELMO, NNM

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands WASO Hopi/Zuni Roving Crew Support local economies and restore community/cultural assets P17AC00675

Multiple NPS Sites: HUTR, CACH, ELMA, GICL

Southwest Conservation Corps-Ancestral Lands Restore, protect and improve habitat and cultural assets P16AC00446

Multiple NPS Sites: GLCA and MVNP

Arizona Conservation Corps EPMT Restore, protect and improve habitat P16AC00322



APPENDIX B: (CONT.)

FULL PROJECT LIST

INDIVIDUAL PLACEMENTS: AMERICORPS

Agate Fossil Beds National Monument

Alaska Regional Office

Amistad National Recreation Area

Anacostia Park

Assateague Island National Seashore

Badlands National Park

Bandelier National Monument

Big Thicket National Preserve

Bryce Canyon National Park

Cache la Poudre River National Heritage Area

Cape Cod National Seashore

Capitol Reef National Park

Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site

Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area

Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park

Chiricahua National Monument

Christiansted National Historic Site

Colonial National Historical Park

Colorado National Monument

Congaree National Park

Coronado National Memorial

Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve

Cuyahoga Valley National Park

Death Valley National Park

Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area

Denali National Park and Preserve

Detroit, Michigan

Devil's Tower National Monument

Dinosaur National Monument

Fire Island National Seashore

Florrisant Fossil Beds National Monument

Fort Pulaski

Fossil Butte National Monument

Frederick, Maryland

Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve

George Washington Memorial Parkway

Gettysburg National Military Park

Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

Grand Canyon National Park

Great Basin National Park

Gulf Islands

Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument

Heritage Partnerships

Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site

Hopewell Furnace

Hot Springs National Park

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore

Isle Royale National Park & Keweenaw National Historical Park

Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve

Jewel Cave National Monument

John Day Fossil Beds National Monument

Joshua Tree National Park

Kaloko-Honokhau National Historical Park

Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument

Klamath I&M Network

Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park

Lake Mead National Recreation Area

Lassen Volcanic National Park

Lava Beds National Monument

Mammoth Cave National Park

Mesa Verde National Park

Mojave Desert Network

Mount Rainier National Park

Natchez Trace Parkway

National Capital Parks East (Urban Ecology Research Learning

Alliance)

National Capital Region

North Cascades National Park

Northeast Coastal and Barrier Network

Northeast Region Archeology Program

Olympic National Monument and Preserve

Olympic National Park



Oregon Caves National Monument & Preserve Pacific West Region Picture Rocks National Lakeshore Redwood National Park Rock Creek Park Rocky Mountain National Park Saguaro National Park Salinas Pueblo Missions National Monument San Juan Islands National Historic Park Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area Shenandoah National Park Sierra Nevada Network South Park National Heritage Area Southeast Regional office Southwest Alaska Network Timpanogos Cave National Monument Timucuan Ecological and Historical Preserve Valley Forge National Historical Park Waco Mammoth National Monument Water Resources Division Weir Farm National Historic Site White Sands National Monument Yellowstone National Park Yosemite National Park Zion National Park

INDIVIDUAL PLACEMENTS: VISTA

Ancestral Lands VISTA - Bandelier National Monument

Ancestral Lands VISTA - Glen Canyon National Recreation Area

Ancestral Lands VISTA - Grand Tetons National Park

Ancestral Lands VISTA - Kalaupapa National Historical Park

Ancestral Lands VISTA - Mesa Verde National Park

Ancestral Lands VISTA - Saguaro National Park

Ancestral Lands VISTA - Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site

Appomattox Court House National Historical Park

Aztec Ruins National Monument

Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park

New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park

Cabrillo National Monument / San Diego Schools

El Morro National Monument

Friends of the Organ Mountains Desert Peaks National Monument

Glacier National Park

Glacier National Park

Hands on the Land – Kasha-Katuwe Tent Rocks National Monument

Jefferson National Parks Association (Jefferson Nation Expansion Memorial)

Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument

New River Gorge National River

Saguaro National Park

San Antonio Missions National Historical Park

San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park

Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks

Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site

United General Hospital's Community Health Outreach Program (North

Cascades National Park)

Voyagers National Park - Youth Ambassador Program

War in the Pacific National Historic Site

GROUNDWORK SITES

Groundwork Elizabeth Groundwork Hudson Valley Groundwork Lawrence Groundwork Somerville

VISTA LEADER PROJECTS

DOI/VISTA Leader NPS Stewards Individual Placement Support Office