



## ROCKY MOUNTAIN YOUTH CORPS 2023 Aspen-Sopris Trail Crew Member

- Partner Agency:** US Forest Service White River National Forest- Aspen-Sopris Ranger District
- Positions Available:** 2
- Location:** Carbondale, CO
- Tentative Dates:** May 22nd - August 26th, 2023 (or upon completion of 14 weeks).
- Stipend:** \$625/week living allowance. Total amount will be \$8,750.
- AmeriCorps:** 450-hour AmeriCorps Education Award (\$1,824.07) upon successful completion
- Plus:** Boot/gear reimbursement up to \$400

Public Land Corps Hiring Authority upon completion of 640 hours on public lands.

**Shared housing is provided.** Rooms are double occupancy with a shared kitchen, bathroom and laundry. Alcohol and non-prescribed and illegal drugs under federal law are not permitted in Forest Service housing. Training and certifications provided may include first aid and crosscut saw. Field gear that may be provided includes a day and overnight pack, overnight gear, work gloves, first aid supplies and Forest Service uniform.

### **Program Overview:**

This position will serve as part of the Aspen-Sopris Ranger District Trail Crew, which will be a crew of 4-6 members. The primary duties of this position will be to contribute to trail corridor clearing, trail feature construction as well as partner and volunteer engagement with trail improvement and maintenance projects on over 300 miles of trails on the Aspen-Sopris Ranger District. Priorities in 2023 include major trail improvement projects in the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness as well as other multi-use trails near Aspen and Carbondale. Crosscut saws and hand tools will be used for log-out and trail maintenance in the wilderness. Crosscut saw certification and hand tool training will be provided by the Forest Service. This position requires overnight camping in remote locations for up to 10 days, but typically service weeks are 4 days/3 nights of backpacking in duration or 4/10 hour day trips. It also requires extensive hiking (up to 12 miles per day), strenuous labor, heavy backpacks and public contact. The Forest Service may be able to supplement some backcountry items such as tents, backpacks, stoves and first aid kits. Each person selected must provide sturdy leather high-top hiking boots, water bottles, non-cotton base layers, socks, and winter hats, rain gear and any other personal items for backcountry travel.

**General Qualifications:**

Experience in recreation management is preferred but not necessary. The successful applicant must have good communication and people skills and be able to serve with and communicate effectively with a wide range of people and personalities. Must have the ability to serve outdoors and unsupervised. This is an incredibly mentally and physically demanding job.

Individual must be able to serve as a team member, be responsible, and if living in government housing, must keep their space clean.

**Service Statement:**

As an AmeriCorps service program, RMYC holds all of its staff to the highest standards of service focused on environmental stewardship, education, and healthy futures. AmeriCorps is a federal program that is a network of local, state, and national service programs that connect over 70,000 Americans each year in intensive service to meet community needs. Their mission is to strengthen communities and develop leaders through direct and team-based national and community service. We provide resources and people power to organizations dedicated to the improvement of communities. We enrich the lives of those we serve and those who serve. Participants grow personally and professionally gaining new skill sets through providing hands-on work experience, valuable networking opportunities, and professional skills training. Why do you want to serve with AmeriCorps? Spending a season serving with AmeriCorps through RMYC can be a life-changing and rewarding experience. Successful candidates will demonstrate a commitment to service, diversity, self-development, and the team environment.

**Qualifications:**

- High School Diploma or equivalent
- 18 Years of age or older with a valid driver license and clean driving record.
- Eligibility to work in the US
- This position is supported by the Public Lands Hiring Authority which requires candidates to be between the ages of 16 to 30.
- Pre-service background screening required, including FBI background check
- Must be able to provide proof of eligibility to work in the United States

**CONDITIONS OF AGREEMENT:** AmeriCorps members will be subject to all state and federal laws, and the rules and regulations of OSHA and RMYC. The member is expected to fully understand and adhere to the rules, regulations and code of conduct as described in the AmeriCorps member manual. 10/19 Policy violations will result in disciplinary action according to program guidelines, including written warnings, fines, suspension without stipend, and/or termination. The AmeriCorps member is accountable for meeting or exceeding the responsibilities of this position as described above, and will be evaluated at mid-term and end-term by Corps Program Staff, with input from project hosts. Successful completion is contingent on both AmeriCorps education award hours and service through the agreed upon term end date.

*This position is classified as Temporary Exempt and is a seasonal position with no benefits. Rocky Mountain Youth Corps is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Rocky Mountain Youth Corps is committed to the inclusion of members with all levels of ability. Reasonable accommodations are available upon request. This program is available to all, without regard age 40 and over, color, disability, gender identity, genetic information, military or veteran status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation or any other applicable status protected by state or local law.*

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Member Name

Signature

Date