



Youth Conservation Corps
Application for Employment

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

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Phone Number: Home: _____ Cell: _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____ Age: _____

Email: _____

Are you able to participate in strenuous physical activity? Yes / No

How did you learn of the YCC program? _____

Have you participated in the program before? Yes / No If yes, what year? _____

Applicant's Statement

I have thoroughly read this application and the information listed on the back of this application. I am interested in working in the outdoor atmosphere of the county's forest preserves to develop and maintain the natural resources of Lake County. If selected, I will obtain a physical / sports physical (dated within 6 months of the program start).

I understand that this employment application and any other Lake County Forest Preserve District documents are not contracts of employment, and that any individual who is hired may voluntarily leave employment upon proper notice and may be terminated by the District at any time. I understand that any oral or written statements to the contrary are hereby expressly disavowed and should not be relied upon by any prospective or existing employee.

The information provided by me in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I am employed, any false statements will be considered as cause for possible dismissal.

Signature _____ Date _____

Thank you for your interest!



The YCC Program

The Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) is a program that offers Lake County youth gainful summer employment in the outdoor atmosphere of our county's forest preserves. The program includes an environmental education and outdoor recreation component.

Work projects in past summers have included tasks such as developing nature trails, planting and maintaining native flora, stream bank restoration, basic outdoor maintenance tasks, construction of trail bridges, soil retaining walls and canoe launches. Additionally, workers will receive basic work and life skills, environmental construction skills and environmental awareness.

YCC workers are paid \$14.00 per hour and work an eight-hour day, weather permitting, Monday through Friday. The program is eight weeks long, beginning Monday, June 10, 2024, and concluding on Friday, August 2, 2024. Working hours begin at 6:30 am and end at 3 pm, with a 30-minute unpaid lunch break. Workers are expected to remain in the program throughout its duration and are asked, if feasible, to schedule summer vacations either prior to or following the eight-week session. Members who complete 300 hours in the program are also eligible to receive a federal Americorps Scholarship that can be used at any public College / University.

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for the program, applicants must be residents of Lake County, at least 16 years of age by June 10, 2024, and no older than 18 on August 2, 2024.

Selection

Participants in the program will be selected by a lottery drawing to be held on April 27, 2024, 9 am **at Independence Grove Forest Preserve, North Bay Pavilion**. Independence Grove Forest Preserve is located on 16400 W Buckley Road (Route 137) just east of Milwaukee Avenue (Route 21) and west of River Road.

You need not be present for your name to be selected for a position. In addition, all those that attend and are not selected will have their names placed on an alternate list which is used if those selected decline the job offer or leave early in the program.

How to Apply

Paper applications (or electronic application via our website) must be signed and returned by 4:00 pm on or before Friday, April 26, 2024. Applications can be dropped off or mailed to: Lake County Forest Preserve District, 1899 West Winchester Road, Libertyville, IL 60048. Applications can also be handed in at the lottery drawing before selection begins.

Worker Responsibilities

1. All participants in the Youth Conservation Corps will be responsible for the following:
2. Workers are responsible for their own transportation to and from their assigned work site, which in all likelihood will be outside of their immediate town, or as close as possible.
3. Workers are responsible for arranging with their private physician to complete a medical physical, at their own cost. The physical is to be performed before the program begins on June 10, 2024 and be less than 6 months old.
4. Workers are responsible for purchasing a pair of ANSI safety toe standard.
5. Workers must provide their own rain gear and cool weather clothing.

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