



Students: 224

Employees: 72

Students Served Each Year: 314

Career Technical Training Programs

- Electrical
- Office Administration
- Plumbing
- Union Carpentry
- Union Cement Masonry
- Union Painting
- Union Plastering
- Welding

Flatwoods Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center

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- **Providers of Trade Certifications:** Coyne American Institute, Home Builders Institute, International Union of Painters and Allied Trades, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' International Association, United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America
- **Education:** GED/ Penn Foster High School Diploma Program
 - Linkage with Mt. Empire Community College
- **Community Partners:** Workforce Investment Board, Workforce Consortium Board, Workforce Youth Council, Virginia Employment Commission, U.S. Military, Regional Adult Education, Virginia Department of Rehabilitation Services, Wise County Chamber of Commerce, Forest Service
- **Federal Dollars to Local Economy:** \$ 5.8 Million



Conservation Mission:

The mission of Forest Service Job Corps Civilian Conservation Centers (JCCCCs) is to train eligible youth, ages 16 to 24 with educational, social and vocational skills, while assisting in the conservation of the Nation's public natural resources. The Forest Service operates 28 JCCCCs that span 7 Forest Service Regions and 22 forests and grasslands. The talents of Job Corps students are enlisted in a diverse array of Forest Service programs, although Job Corps students are most widely known for their program contributions in urban forestry, hazardous fuels reduction, construction and firefighting. JCCCC students are available for Forest Service projects ranging from forest and ecosystem activities to the rehabilitation and weatherization of facilities and developed recreation sites, hazardous fuels projects, and woody biomass conversion projects. In the last three years, JCCCC students have worked on the following Forest Service projects:

- Building the Camino Real Ranger Station on the Carson National Forest.
- Retrofitting the Challenge Visitor Center on the Plumas National Forest.
- Restoring the Historic Stone Mountain Trail on the George Washington and Jefferson National Forests.
- Refurbishing Adirondack shelters in the Cranberry Backcountry on the Monongahela National Forest.
- Restoring the Mt. Roosevelt Friendship Tower on the Black Hills National Forest.
- Restoring Grey Towers National Historic Site, Gifford Pinchot's ancestral home.
- Conducted a streamside restoration project on the Clackamas River to enhance the spawning areas of native salmon on the Mt. Hood National Forest.



Sample Work Forest Service Job Corps Civilian Conservation Centers

National Forest Systems

Recreation

- Trail construction, trail maintenance
- Recreation Site improvements: painting (signs, picnic tables), facilities maintenance, construction, brush removal, mowing, trailhead maintenance)
- Installation of picnic tables, fire rings
- Kiosks construction and installation

Forestry

- Pre-commercial thinning, tree planting, timber marking
- Stream maintenance -gabion installations
- Nursery work -tree lifting and packing, seedling planting
- Cone Collection

Wildlife/Fisheries/Hydrology/Soils

- Install Inserts - Red Cockcaded Woodpecker
- Boundary marking – Red Cockcaded Woodpecker
- Snag/Grouse drumming log creation
- Mid-story removal
- Gabion installations
- Infestation surveys

Engineering

- Carpentry, painting
- Heavy equipment repair and maintenance, auto maintenance
- Electrical, plumbing, welding
- Brick and concrete masonry
- Fashion stone foundations for forest portal signs
- Stream inventory
- Boundary/landline location, marking, inspection and maintenance
- Road Maintenance - sawing and chipping for site clearance on FS roads
- Greening of Job Corps Centers, Research Stations, and District Offices

Administrative

- Front desk operator /services
- Data input, clerical, computer installation (Job Corps IT Team), record keeping

State and Private Forestry

- Fire (suppression, rehab, mop-up, catering)
- Prescribed fire

Research

- Data collection
- Inventory

The Forest Service is facing critical shortages of workers and Job Corps is an ideal source from which to recruit and improve the diversity of its permanent workforce. The partnership between the Forest and Job Corps Civilian Conservation Centers can benefit both parties through development of work-based learning (WBL) opportunities that provide on-the-job training for students and help the Forest Service meet mission critical project goals. To inquire about hiring a Job Corps student contact: (David Scholes, (276)-395-8405, dscholes@fs.fed.us). Job Corps students are eligible for Student Temporary Employment Program (STEP) and the Student Career Experience Program (SCEP) appointments. USDA is in the process of establishing the policy and procedures to implement the non-competitive hiring authority contained in the PLC Act of 2005 for the Forest Service Job Corps Program. Supervising Job Corps crews is the responsibility of the Job Corps crew supervisor. Supervision of an individual Job Corps student should be provided by the Forest Service.

