



Boulder  
County

# Youth Corps

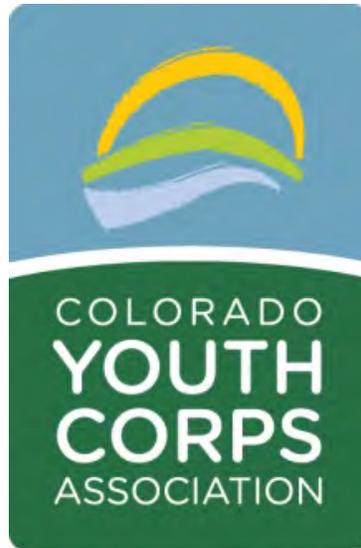
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*Improving Our Community*



## 2017 Season in Review



**The Boulder County Youth Corps has been accredited annually by the Colorado Youth Corps Association since 2002**

*Cover Photo: Building Services Team Corpsmembers and Team Leader at the Boulder County Recycling Center*

# 2017 Season in Review



## OUR MISSION:

The Youth Corps provides opportunities for Boulder County youth to develop a sense of community involvement through personal accomplishment, teamwork and service to the county.

## OUR VISION:

The Youth Corps delivers the most ambitious and highest quality entry-level work experience available to Boulder County youth. We provide an experience of excellence by recruiting and training a staff committed to accomplishment through hard work, respect for people and the environment, and belief in an ideal that work can be fun. We ensure the betterment of our community by providing work opportunities for youth that contribute to the legacy of Boulder County while providing a proving ground for young leaders that challenges them to inspire the youth entrusted to their guidance.

*Improving Ourselves, Improving Our Community*

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# Thank You, Youth Corps!



Hey Youth Corps!

I was very excited to see you guys working @ bald mountain! I learned so much about myself, other people, and the environment when I was in the youth corps.

It was such a rewarding experience. It is why my sister and I came to Bald Mountain on a Sunday morning to hike and watch the sunrise. I hope you guys can get as much out the Youth Corps as I did! Thank you for all your hard work!

This handwritten note was left on the Grounds Team tool trailer while the team was working at Bald Mountain Open Space. It was a real treat for the team to hear from a former Corpsmember who told them what a rewarding experience the Youth Corps had been for them!

# Season Highlights

1. Had the safest season on record with the fewest Workers' Compensation injuries in the history of the program.
2. Won a 2017 Boulder County Pinnacle Award for the Collaborative Fuels Reduction Project that recognized a large county effort in which the 2015 Forestry 2 Team assisted. This project also won a highly coveted 2017 National Association of Counties (NACo) Award.
3. The Historic Preservation Team helped POS complete the requirements for a two-year Colorado Department of Natural Resources Wildfire Risk Reduction grant to create defensible space around historic structures on various open space properties.
4. The Trails 2 Team helped POS meet the requirements for a Colorado State Trails grant by converting almost 0.5 mile of social trail behind Niwot High School into a four foot crusher fines trail as part of the Niwot Trail Improvement Project.
5. Held a joint teen hiring event with the Boulder Junior Rangers hosted by Workforce Boulder County; increased recruitment efforts resulted in the second highest number of Corpsmember applications ever.
6. Maintained gender equity by hiring 47% female Corpsmembers and 49% female Leaders.
7. Worked with Boulder County Public Health to refine and clarify guidelines to keep Corpsmembers safe while working near prairie dog colonies.
8. The Program Manager became a trainer for the Careers in Natural Resources presentation facilitated by the Colorado Youth Corps Association and the Colorado Alliance for Environmental Education.
9. Boulder County Commissioners approved a "Living Wage," which significantly increased hourly pay for Assistant Team Leaders from \$13 to \$15.67 and Team Leaders from \$15 to \$17.67.
10. Boulder County Commissioners increased the pay scale by \$.99 to match the increase in Colorado minimum wage without cutting any positions. Hourly rates for first-year Corpsmembers were \$9.30; second and third-years \$9.55; and, fourth-years \$9.80. Employed 160 Corpsmembers on 20 teams.

# Project Accomplishments



- 0.4 Miles of Trail Maintained/Closed
  - 1 Signs Installed/Removed
- 1.4 Miles of Trail Built
  - 2 Research Studies Assisted/Surveys Completed
- 2.1 Miles of Fence Built/Repaired
  - 4 Tons of Debris Removed
  - 5 Miles of Fence Removed
  - 6 Areas Renovated
- 8.6 Acres Weeded
- 25 Public Art Pieces Inventoried/Cleaned
- 35 Cords of Wood Moved
- 68 Structures Painted
- 79 Trees Removed
- 106 Structures Built/Cleaned/Stabilized
- 250 Flyers Delivered
- 405 Slash Piles Built
- 635 Tons of Material Moved
- 872 Bags of Noxious Weeds/Debris Removed/Native Seed Collected
- 958 Feet of Trenches Dug
- 1,985 Feet of Material Installed/Removed
- 7,452 Trees and Plants Planted/Mulched
- 13,620 Square Feet of Weed Mat Installed
- 18,154 Cubic Feet of Material Moved

# Agriculture

## Accomplishments:

- Built 545 feet and maintained 1,410 feet of fence
- Cleared 3,450 feet of shoreline of Russian olive trees
- Moved 2 tons of rock and 216 cu feet of mulch



**Sponsor Agency**  
Boulder County  
Parks & Open Space-  
Agricultural Resources

**Project Hours**  
1,022 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$10,000

**Project Locations**  
Alberta Clark  
Alexander Dawson  
Boulder County  
Fairgrounds  
Eddy  
John Clark  
Kragh  
Marlatt  
Pella Crossing  
Reynolds Ranch

**Number of Employees**  
5 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers**  
Hired From  
Longmont



# Boulder

## Accomplishments:

- Renovated 1 area
- Maintained 829 feet of trail
- Maintained 144 feet of fence
- Planted 120 plants
- Removed 95 bags of noxious weeds plus 1.5 tons of debris
- Moved 4,350 cu feet plus 94 tons of material
- Installed 50 feet of a containment wall
- Worked on 17 different properties



**Sponsor Agency**  
City of Boulder-  
Parks & Recreation  
Department

**Project Hours**  
2,251 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$43,634

**Project Locations**  
Boulder Creek Path  
Harlow Platts Park  
Pearl Street Mall  
Valmont City Park  
Various Parks

**Number of Employees**  
10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers  
Hired From**  
Boulder



**Municipal  
Partner**

# Building Services

## Accomplishments:

- Renovated 2 areas
- Installed 2 drip irrigation systems
- Designed, weeded and installed 2,400 sq feet of landscaping, including installation of 2,400 sq feet of weed mat and moving 2,719 cu feet plus 3 tons of material and debris
- Planted 281 plants and mulched 15 trees



### Sponsor Agency

Boulder County  
Administrative Services-  
Building Services

### Project Hours

1,050 Hours

### Project Estimated Value

\$25,000

### Project Locations

Boulder County  
Recycling Center

### Number of Employees

5 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader

### Cities Corpsmembers

Hired From  
Boulder



# Erie

## Accomplishments:

- Renovated 1 playground by removing 8 tons of sand, installing 1,800 sq feet of weed mat and raking out 1,800 cu feet of engineered wood fiber
- Weeded over 1 acre and removed 14 bags of debris and noxious weeds
- Dug 181 feet of trench
- Moved 300 feet of fence
- Built 15 slash piles
- Installed 680 sq feet of weed mat and moved 308 cu feet plus over 7 tons of material
- Built 1 staircase and installed 4 benches plus 1 French drain
- Painted/stained 5 structures



**Sponsor Agency**  
Town of Erie-  
Parks & Recreation  
Department

**Project Hours**  
1,008 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$17,000

**Project Locations**  
Boneyard Dog Park  
Coal Creek Trail Corridor  
Community Park  
Lehigh Park  
Long's Peak Park  
Reliance Park  
Thomas Reservoir

**Number of Employees**  
5 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers  
Hired From**  
Erie



**Municipal  
Partner**

# Forestry 1

## Accomplishments:

- Built 162 slash piles and moved 10.75 cords of wood



**Sponsor Agency**  
Boulder County  
Parks & Open Space-  
Forestry

**Project Hours**  
2,063 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$18,000

**Project Locations**  
Walker Ranch

**Number of Employees**  
10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers  
Hired From**  
Erie  
Lafayette  
Louisville  
Superior



# Forestry 2

## Accomplishments:

- Built 171 slash piles



**Sponsor Agency**  
Boulder County  
Land Use-  
Wildfire Mitigation

**Project Hours**  
2,163 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$18,000

**Project Locations**  
Hall Ranch

**Number of Employees**  
10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers  
Hired From**  
Boulder



# Grounds

## Accomplishments:

- Renovated 2 areas
- Built/repaired 184 feet and removed 30 feet of fence
- Replaced 4 picnic pads, including building 4 picnic tables
- Reset 63 parking stops
- Replaced 9 uprights
- Moved 3.5 tons of material
- Built 1 rock staircase and fixed 1 small bridge
- Removed 3 bags of noxious weeds
- Cleaned out 1 culvert and built 1 drainage structure



**Sponsor Agency**  
Boulder County  
Parks & Open Space-  
Grounds

**Project Hours**  
2,010 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$40,000

**Project Locations**  
Bald Mountain  
Heil Valley Ranch

**Number of Employees**  
10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers**  
Hired From  
Longmont



# Historic Preservation

## Accomplishments:

- Created defensible space around historic structures by removing vegetation from 34,250 sq feet; the team did this around 56 structures on 10 open space properties
- Primed and painted 20 items
- Built 40 feet and removed 192 feet of fence



### Sponsor Agency

Boulder County  
Parks & Open Space-  
Buildings & Historic  
Preservation

### Project Hours

1,935 Hours

### Project Estimated Value

\$70,000

### Project Locations

Betasso Preserve  
Caribou Ranch  
Hall Ranch  
Walker Ranch

### Number of Employees

10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

### Cities Corpsmembers

Hired From  
Boulder



# Housing 1

## Accomplishments:

- Built and stained 2 dumpster enclosures and cleaned out 7
- Removed 104 bags of noxious weeds and debris
- Moved 1,200 cu feet of material, including spreading mulch, filling potholes and trimming hedges
- Installed 135 feet of drainage pipe and dug 12 feet of trench
- Removed 30 tree stakes



**Sponsor Agency**  
Boulder County  
Housing & Human Services

**Project Hours**  
2,116 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$10,000

**Project Locations**  
Boulder  
Lafayette  
Longmont

**Number of Employees**  
10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers  
Hired From**  
Erie  
Lafayette  
Louisville



# Housing 2

## Accomplishments:

- Removed 183 bags of noxious weeds and debris plus weeded 56 sq feet
- Moved 1,597 cu feet of material plus 4 tons or rock
- Installed 250 sq feet of weed mat
- Painted 1 shed, 16 shutters and 100 feet of curbs
- Transplanted 16 plants



### Sponsor Agency

Boulder County  
Housing & Human Services

### Project Hours

1,030 Hours

### Project Estimated Value

\$10,000

### Project Locations

Gunbarrel  
Longmont  
Lyons

### Number of Employees

5 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader

### Cities Corpsmembers

Hired From  
Longmont



# Lafayette

## Accomplishments:

- Planted 487 plants and watered them during the summer
- Built 115 feet and removed 3,375 feet of fence
- Removed 36 bags of noxious weeds
- Moved 3,576 cu feet of material including adding dirt along trail edges and removing weeds
- Built/maintained 792 feet of trail
- Installed 1,440 sq feet of weed mat



**Sponsor Agency**  
City of Lafayette-  
Open Space

**Project Hours**  
2,072 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$64,000

**Project Locations**  
Adler-Fingru  
BNSF Trail  
Coal Creek Trail  
Lamont Does  
Rothman  
Thomas Farm

**Number of Employees**  
10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers**  
Hired From  
Lafayette  
Louisville



**Municipal  
Partner**

# Longmont Button Rock

## Accomplishments:

- Built 57 slash piles and moved 24 cords of wood
- Weeded 5.5 acres plus removed 4 bags of noxious weeds
- Built 2,323 feet of trail
- Removed 2,640 feet of fence
- Laid 405 cu feet of mulch and dug 200 feet of trench



**Sponsor Agency**  
City of Longmont-  
Water Resources

**Project Hours**  
1,926 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$36,000

**Project Locations**  
Button Rock Preserve

**Number of Employees**  
10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers**  
Hired From  
Longmont



# Louisville

## Accomplishments:

- Moved 1,460 cu feet of material, including sand on baseball fields, engineered wood fiber on a playground, trail material and mulch
- Weeded 10,690 sq feet plus removed 125 bags of noxious weeds and debris
- Built 700 feet and removed 100 feet of fence
- Dug 130 feet of trench
- Maintained 50 feet of trails
- Completed 2 transect surveys



**Sponsor Agency**  
City of Louisville-  
Parks & Recreation  
Department

**Project Hours**  
1,119 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$31,000

**Project Locations**  
Coal Creek Trail  
Damyanovich  
Davidson Mesa  
Harper Lake  
Sports Complex  
Various Parks and Open  
Space Properties

**Number of Employees**  
5 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers**  
Hired From  
Louisville



**Municipal  
Partner**

# Public Health

## Accomplishments:

- Delivered information to 250 residents
- Removed 111 bags of noxious weeds and debris
- Dug 285 feet of trenches to improve drainage for mosquito mitigation
- Harvested and maintained 2 community gardens, including moving 91 cu feet of mulch, building a compost pile and cleaning a greenhouse
- Inventoried and cleaned 25 pieces of public art and primed/painted 21 items



### Sponsor Agency

Boulder County  
Public Health-  
Environmental Health

### Project Hours

1,108 Hours

### Project Estimated Value

\$10,000

### Project Locations

Boulder  
Erie  
Lafayette  
Longmont  
Louisville  
Superior

### Number of Employees

5 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader

### Cities Corpsmembers

Hired From  
Boulder  
Longmont



# Recreation & Facilities

## Accomplishments:

- Built a 100 sq foot flagstone patio at the Boulder County Fairgrounds
- Built 300 feet of trail
- Moved 77 tons of material, including trail material, mulch and rock
- Removed 80 bags of noxious weeds plus weeded/cleaned 941 sq feet
- Removed 600 feet of waddles
- Installed 4,800 sq feet of weed mat
- Stained 2 picnic tables
- Removed 7 trees



### Sponsor Agency

Boulder County  
Parks & Open Space-  
Recreation & Facilities

### Project Hours

1,048 Hours

### Project Estimated Value

\$30,000

### Project Locations

Assay Office  
Boulder County  
Fairgrounds  
Caribou Ranch  
Goodhue Farmhouse  
Mud Lake  
Walden Ponds

### Number of Employees

5 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader

### Cities Corpsmembers

Hired From  
Longmont



# Resource Management

## Accomplishments:

- Built 3,624 feet and removed 19,608 feet of fence
- Planted 6,533 plants and strung 13,100 feet of string to act as a goose barrier
- Removed 36 bags of noxious weeds plus weeded 21,120 sq feet
- Maintained 100 feet of trail plus cleaned out 15 water bars
- Removed 20 trees
- Dug out 2 garden plots
- Cleaned the Artist-in-Residence cabin at Caribou Ranch
- Worked on 15 different properties



**Sponsor Agency**  
Boulder County  
Parks & Open Space-  
Resource Management

**Project Hours**  
2,132 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$32,520

**Project Locations**  
Heil Valley Ranch  
Pella Crossing  
Various Open Space  
Properties

**Number of Employees**  
10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers  
Hired From**  
Longmont  
Lyons  
Niwot



# Superior

## Accomplishments:

- Built 320 feet and maintained 180 feet of trail, including spreading 100 tons of trail material plus 432 cu feet of dirt
- Removed 53 bags of noxious weeds
- Built/repainted/painted 3,735 feet of fence
- Installed 2,250 sq feet of weed mat
- Installed 18 disc golf baskets using 1,920 pounds of concrete
- Removed 52 trees



**Sponsor Agency**  
Town of Superior-  
Parks, Recreation  
& Open Space

**Project Hours**  
2,075 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$31,465

**Project Locations**  
Coal Creek Trail  
Purple Park  
Wildflower Park  
Williams Field  
Various Parks and Open  
Space Properties

**Number of Employees**  
10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers**  
Hired From  
Superior



**Municipal  
Partner**

# Trails 1

## Accomplishments:

- Built 2,000 feet of trail with 22 pinch points
- Crushed 720 pounds of rock



**Sponsor Agency**  
Boulder County  
Parks & Open Space-  
Trails

**Project Hours**  
2,053 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$10,000

**Project Locations**  
Heil Valley Ranch

**Number of Employees**  
10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers  
Hired From**  
Longmont



# Trails 2

## Accomplishments:

- Built 2,126 feet of trail by converting a narrow social trail behind Niwot High School into a safer and less muddy crusher fines trail, including moving 330 tons of trail material and dirt
- Built 196 feet of trail at Heil 2
- Removed and replaced 310 feet of fence



**Sponsor Agency**  
Boulder County  
Parks & Open Space-  
Trails

**Project Hours**  
2,046 Hours

**Project Estimated Value**  
\$10,650

**Project Locations**  
Cougar Trail by  
Niwot High School  
Heil Valley Ranch

**Number of Employees**  
10 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader  
1 Assistant Team Leader

**Cities Corpsmembers  
Hired From**  
Boulder  
Lafayette



# Water

## Accomplishments:

- Removed trees, weeds and debris from 16,100 sq feet
- Removed 28 bags of noxious weeds and debris
- Helped chip over 6 tons of trees
- Reseeded 1,200 feet of a ditch



### Sponsor Agency

Boulder County  
Parks & Open Space-  
Agricultural Resources-  
Water Resources

### Project Hours

1,061 Hours

### Project Estimated Value

\$10,000

### Project Locations

Boulder County  
Fairgrounds  
Gaynor Lake  
Marlatt  
Pella Crossing  
Western Mobile

### Number of Employees

5 Corpsmembers  
1 Team Leader

### Cities Corpsmembers

Hired From  
Longmont



# Corpsmember Comments

"I think that this is an awesome program that helps kids make friends, build leadership skills, and be active during the summer."

"I've learned to trust and rely on my teammates and build strong connections with them."

"I have learned so much more about our environment than I knew at the beginning of the season."

"I have really enjoyed this summer because my amazing team made it fun."

"I've enjoyed working in a team of people who were new to me and that I wouldn't have met otherwise."

"I had a great time, worked well with my teammates, and am in probably the best shape of my life."

"I have become more confident as a person thanks to Youth Corps."

"I want to grow more as a person and this job has certainly helped change me for the better."

"I'm pretty proud of myself because I've improved so much."

"I enjoy working outdoors and learned to use new tools."

"I have learned to work with different types of people to achieve a common goal."

"I enjoyed the people and the comradery."

"I learned how to adapt and to change and become an impactful and hardworking Corpsmember."

"I came to feel very passionate about the projects we do."

"I learned helpful tips about keeping our world a healthy place."

"I got the chance to make a clear, notable improvement to the county."

"I feel like I have really stepped up in being a leader."

"I feel like I have become more comfortable speaking up, which will definitely help me during the next school year."



*Congratulations to Daveon Chiles (on the left above), the 2017 Corpsmember of the Year, who said about his season on the Lafayette Team:*

I am bummed that this job is coming to an end. I will be returning next year as I enjoy this work making a change to my city. I'd say this was a great summer!

# Team Leader Comments

"This season was a very successful one for me – full of learning, new challenges, strong relationships with Corpsmembers and both personal and professional growth."

"Working with my team is awesome because we have such a direct impact on communities and are often thanked by residents for our hard work!"

"I have never learned so much about myself in such a short period of time."

"I have learned so much this year from a wonderful group of BCYC staff and Sponsors."

"It was a very rewarding summer which allowed me to learn so much about myself as a leader, mentor and teacher."

"Working with BCYC has been a fantastic experience!"

"The team works together, plays together and cheers each other on."

"I have a great team that works hard, has fun and cares about what we are doing."

"I had an excellent summer with my team...one of the best I've ever had in my life!"

"Learning my weaknesses made me a better Team Leader and will definitely help me in the future as I continue to work with young adults."

"This has been an absolutely fantastic experience for me and it has helped me grow tremendously."

"I have developed greater confidence in my leadership abilities and I have continuously tested myself throughout the season."

"This experience helped me decide to become an educator and I am forever grateful for this experience."

"My Corpsmembers are very respectful, hardworking, motivated and kind, plus they are fun to be around."

"I was able to try new things and was able to really find my voice as an authority of the team."

"I feel that I am better at verbalizing my vision."

"I learned a ton of great technical skills with tools and building."

"I am so proud of my team this season for their high-functioning and positive team dynamic."

"I quickly learned that attitudes and energy levels are infectious so staying upbeat and positive would rub off on all of the Corpsmembers and result in better work days."

"I have felt very supported through the summer."

"This summer with BCYC allowed me to improve my leadership skills in many ways."

"I feel so lucky to be a part of such an amazing program, for our community and our youth."



# Staff Photo



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My experience as a Team Leader has been the ultimate learning and growing experience.

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# Sponsor Comments

*Congratulations to Brian Bertin, the 2017 Sponsor of the Year, who said about his season with the Historic Preservation Team:*

“

Thanks for placing me with great Leaders and great Corpsmembers. It was my pleasure to get to know them. We got a lot accomplished and we had a good time doing it.

”

“I truly love this program and look forward to what the 2018 season is going to look like!”

“This Youth Corps team far surpassed everything I had hoped for them to achieve! They are some of the hardest working kids I have ever seen and their leadership is superb.”

“It was great seeing the Corpsmembers become enthusiastic about the work we were completing. They had positive attitudes toward any task, which really kept ME motivated!”

“Having the Corpsmembers work on the beautiful pieces of land that Boulder County owns gives them a sense of ownership and pride.”



“The Youth Corps teaches kids how to have a good work ethic and be proud of what they accomplish.”

“The Corpsmembers made a HUGE difference to the impact that our project has on the community.”

“Investing time in the youth is setting up and building a strong investment in our future community members and in their future participation.”

“The Youth Corps allows us to double our work force and complete projects under budget and on time!”

“I have faith that these teens will be the leaders of the future; thank you all for your service to the community.”

“Without the Youth Corps, the work just wouldn’t get done!”

“The Youth Corps offers real, life-long tools – priceless!”

“It was a successful season! I am always impressed with the effort the crews put forth from start to finish.”

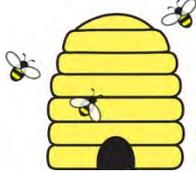
“The greatest benefit was witnessing the opportunity that the Youth Corps gives kids to gain real life work experience and team building while also contributing to the community they live in.”

“The Youth Corps is a well-oiled machine.”

# Environmental Education

## Lessons:

- Honey Bees: A Day in the Life of a Honey Bee
- Parks & Open Space Land Management: Neighboring Elk on Rabbit Mountain
- Ranger Duties: Swift Water Rescue
- Exploring the Natural World: Sound Map/Sound Off Animal Communication



"The elk lesson was an incredibly engaging lesson and it taught me new things about open space management."

"My favorite lesson was about swift water rescue because we competed with each other in the rope toss and we got to do hands-on learning."

"Our forestry team had a lesson on fire ecology. It was interesting and it helped me understand the point of our job."

"The honey bee lesson was well constructed and informative."

"I liked learning about honey bees because the activities were fun and we got to work together as a team."

"I enjoyed the hike our team took together because it was unstructured and fun."

"It was fascinating to learn about honey bees and how pollination works."

"The elk lesson was my favorite one because I learned a lot about animal populations in Colorado."

"I liked the Ranger lesson because learning to tie knots and throwing the rescue bags was practical and applicable knowledge."

"I enjoyed the honey bee lesson because I learned a lot and had fun at the same time."

"I liked our team's hike at Chautauqua because I learned about trees and habitats."

"I liked the crosscut saw lesson with JP because it was cool to learn more about forestry work."

"I liked the sound map lesson because we got to draw and we played a game where everyone was involved."

"Meghan made it fun to learn about honey bees."

"I liked the predator/prey game we played because it made everyone laugh."