



**Great Smoky Mountains National Park**  
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## **Environmental Leadership, Education**

*The following centennial proposal is certified as eligible for Centennial Challenge funding consideration in fiscal year 2008. Funding for the Centennial Challenge requires legislation.*

### **Establish Student Conservation Association Centennial Intern Program**

Location: Tennessee-North Carolina

Partner(s): Great Smoky Mountains Association, Friends of the Smokies

Partner Website: [www.smokiesstore.org](http://www.smokiesstore.org), [www.friendsofthesmokies.org](http://www.friendsofthesmokies.org)

Total Cost: \$450,000

Proposal # 137477

**Summary:** Great Smoky Mountains National Park would like to maximize Student Conservation Association (SCA) high school and college intern positions for proposed centennial projects such as the Lynn Prong brook trout restoration, the elk program, mercury air quality assessments, the All Taxa Biodiversity Inventory, Hemlock Woolly Adelgid control, and episodic water quality studies, as well as the park's educational offerings. The park has been a leading supporter of the SCA program for many years and would like to continue. The park supports more interns through SCA than any other national park in the country, thereby providing a large investment in the future to ensure a flux of resource professionals back to the park and the National Park Service on a whole.

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A Student Conservation Association (SCA) intern teaches children about the park's wildlife.