



2012 YOUTH CONSERVATION CORPS SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore accepts applications for the National Park Service Youth Conservation Corps (YCC). There will be eight positions available in the park this summer. Employment will last ten weeks, beginning June 11, 2012. The starting wage for a basic enrollee is \$7.25 per hour for a 40-hour workweek.

The Program

The Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) is a well-balanced work-learn-earn program that develops an understanding and appreciation in participating youth of the Nation's environment and heritage. Administered by the National Park Service, the program offers gainful summer employment to youth in a healthful outdoor atmosphere. Projects may include building trails, maintaining fences, cleaning up beaches, assisting with habitat improvement, greenhouse work, and assisting rangers with children's activities. *Note: This position will include working 40 hours a week, and may include Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Participants are responsible for their own transportation to and from designated area in the Park each workday. Meals are not provided.*

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible, participants must be 15 years old before June 11, 2012 but not turn 19 years old before August 18, 2012, the ending date of the program. Young men and women, who are permanent residents of the United States, are eligible for employment without regard to social, economic, racial, or ethnic backgrounds. Handicapped youth who can effectively participate in most YCC activities are eligible. Youth must: have no history of serious criminal or other anti-social behavior that might endanger their safety or that of others; have or be able to obtain a work permit; and have a copy of their Social Security card.

How to Apply:

The YCC application form will be available in Mid-March 2012 through your high school guidance office, or may be obtained by contacting Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore at (219) 395-1721 or may be downloaded online at

<http://www.nps.gov/indu/parkmgmt/jobs.htm>

Submit the YCC application, YCC Preference Statement and the Demographic Report forms to:

Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore
Attn: Becky Morford, Administrative Support Assistant
1100 N Mineral Springs Road
Porter, IN 46304

DEADLINE IS APRIL 20, 2012
Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore
Youth Conservation Corps – Preference Statement

YCC Enrollees at Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore normally work in one of three different areas. Although selected applicants are not allowed to choose their assigned area, completion of this form will assist the park when trying to match selected applicants with work they will enjoy doing. Enrollees are randomly selected, without regard to information provided on this form or the demographic report. You need not worry that your indicated work preferences will affect your selection for a YCC position. Also remember that completion of this form does not guarantee that, if selected, you will be offered work in the area of your choice. Selected applicants will be made only one job offer. If the applicant declines a particular offer, the offer will be made to the next available applicant.

Please rate the following work descriptions 1 - 3, with 1 being your first preference and 3 being your last preference. If you have a documented restriction against doing certain work, such as severe allergies, please note that under your numerical rating:

Below is a description of the type of work areas to choose from when applying for a position.

The majority of the YCC positions will be with the Roads & Trails & Custodial Crew.

_____ Roads & Trails: This involves working as part of a crew to do a variety of manual labor tasks, normally outdoors. The crew performs such work as grounds maintenance and trails rehabilitation.

_____ Custodial Crew: This involves working as part of a crew to do a variety of manual labor tasks, normally outdoors. The crew performs such work as beach cleanup, litter collection, and custodial work.

_____ Interpretation: (1 positions) The YCC employee's work will primarily involve assisting with operations at the park's visitor center and the Paul H. Douglas Center. At the visitor center, the YCC employee will assist park employees with activities in the Kid's Activity Room, organize supplies, prepare mailings, and answer phones. At the Douglas Center, they will help repair and organize program props, take care of the animal room, and answer phones. On occasion, they will also accompany park employees to beaches and other park locations to help give out Junior Ranger program supplies.

Selections are based on a random drawing that is open to the public.
All applicants will be notified whether selected or not selected for employment. Applications must be received on or before April 22, 2011 or they will not be included in the drawing.

Applicant's Name: _____