YOUTH CONSERVATION CORPS (YCC) Application - 2015
Shenandoah National Park

Print or Type all answers. All questions and statements must be answered to enable Selection Office to determine applicant's eligibility and availability. **Incomplete applications may have to be rejected**. Authority is PL 93-408. During the term of employment, you must be at least 16 years of age and not have reached age 19.

Applicant Information

Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)					
Mailing Address (Street or P.O. Box)					
City		State		Zip Code	
Home Phone Number				Cell Phone Number	
Email Address					
Date of Birth (Month/ Day/ Year)		Gender	☐ Male	☐ Female	
Are you able to participate in strenuous physical work activities?	☐ Yes	☐ No			

Please provide a response to the following questions. A separate sheet can be used.

1. Why do you want to participate in the Youth Conservation Corps?

2. What do you hope to gain from this experience?

Applicant's Statement

YCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer

I am familiar with the YCC program and interested in working in the outdoors to develop and maintain the natural resources of the United States. If selected, I will obtain a work permit if required. I have or am applying for a social security number. I am a permanent resident of the United States or its Territories or possessions. I do not have a history of serious criminal or other antisocial behavior that might jeopardize my safety or that of others. I certify that all information I have provided above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I certify that I have not submitted duplicate applications. False statements and/or incorrect information may result in ineligibility for consideration, or constitute grounds for immediate dismissal if selected for the program.

Applicant Signature		Date	

Parent/Guardian Statement

I am familiar with the YCC program and the applicant has my permission to participate.

Parent or Guardian Printed Name			
Parent or Guardian Signature			
Date		Phone Number	

United States Youth Conservation Corps

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 environmental heritage. It is administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture - Forest Service, and by the U.S. Department of the Interior - Fish and Wildlife Service and National Park Service. YCC offers gainful summer employment to youth, for approximately eight weeks, in a healthful outdoor atmosphere.

Enrollees will be paid the minimum wage for a 40-hour work week. Most projects will enroll an equal number of males and females.

Projects include building trails, maintaining fences, cleaning up campgrounds, improving wildlife habitat, and thinning timber stands. Participants will do hard physical work and may be exposed to insects, poison oak and ivy, adverse weather, and difficult working conditions.

Eligibility Requirements
Young men and women, 16 through 18 years of age, who are permanent residents of the United States, its Territories, or possessions, 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 antisocial behavior that might endanger their safety or that of others; have or be able to obtain a work permit as required under the laws of their states; have a Social Security number or have made application for one; be willing and able to work hard and participate in most work projects. Employment is without regard to Civil Service or classification laws, rules, or regulations.

How You Can Enroll
To apply, youth meeting these qualifications should complete this YCC application form and return it no later than **April 15, 2015**.

Please send completed application (Page 1) to:

Shenandoah National Park
3655 U.S. Hwy 211 East
Luray, VA 22835-4702
ATTN: Volunteer & Youth Programs Coordinator

Applicants will be selected on a random basis and will be notified of selection. Demographic information such as age, race, and family income is not used in the selection process.

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YCC complies with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. (29U.S. Code 794). Under this Act and implementing Regulation, handicapped persons “who , with reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential functions” of the YCC are eligible. (7CFR Part 15b and 43 CFR Part 17)