



EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS TO POSITIVELY IMPACT THEIR LIVES, THEIR COMMUNITIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT



Arizona Conservation Corps (AZCC) operates conservation service programs across Arizona and parts of New Mexico that empower individuals to positively impact their lives, their communities and the environment. AZCC has office locations in Tucson, Flagstaff and the White Mountains.

WITH HARD WORK, DEDICATION AND PRIDE, WE CARRY ON THIS TRADITION. Arizona Conservation Corps aims to continue the legacy of the Civilian Conservation Corps of the 1930s. AZCC is focused on connecting youth, young adults and recent era military veterans with conservation service work projects on public lands. Our programs promote personal growth, experiential learning and an ethic of natural resource stewardship, along with hard work.

AZCC'S STRENGTHS LIE NOT ONLY IN ITS SERVICE PROJECT ACCOMPLISHMENTS, BUT ALSO IN ITS ABILITY TO PROVIDE A VIABLE WORK FORCE TO THE REGION WHILE OFFERING EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND ENGAGING OPPORTUNITIES TO A DIVERSE GROUP OF PARTICIPANTS.

UNIQUE PROGRAMMING

TRADITIONAL ADULT FIELD CREWS

This program engages motivated young adults (ages 18 to 25) to travel regionally to complete challenging and impactful conservation and service projects throughout Arizona and parts of New Mexico.

LOCAL ADULT CONSERVATION CREWS

This program provides members (ages 18 to 25) with job skills while focusing on conservation project work, leadership opportunities, personal and professional development as well as support for post-secondary education.

LOCAL YOUTH CONSERVATION CREWS

Our Youth Conservation program introduces Corpsmembers aged 17 to 18 to community service and resource conservation through hands-on project work with a variety of land-management and community partners.

INDIVIDUAL PLACEMENTS

AZCC places interns, paired with a local supervisor, in positions with federal, state and local management agencies and environmentally focused non-profits. Individual placements must be over 21 years of age.

ANCESTRAL LANDS

The Ancestral Lands Model is rooted in the culture and heritage of local tribal communities. The power and impact of Ancestral Lands programming is due to the community investment and support for each program tribally and locally, combined with a network of operational support from Arizona Conservation Corps. Ancestral Lands programs consist of conservation crews and individual placements.

VETERANS FIRE CORPS

The Veterans Fire Corps provides training and on-the-job experience for post 9-11 era veterans interested in entering into careers and gaining experience in natural resource management and wildland fire. This program is for adults ages 21 to 37 years of age.



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PROJECT PARTNERS

AT AZCC, WE HAVE A COMMITMENT TO PRODUCING QUALITY WORK THAT ALWAYS MEETS OR EXCEEDS OUR PARTNER EXPECTATIONS.

We are a job training and youth development organization providing our crew members with outdoor experiences and employment opportunities through national service. Our goal is to promote individual responsibility and ethical behavior, instill solid work habits and attitudes, and empower them to change their lives, their communities and their environment through conservation work that benefits us all.

Our approach to reaching this goal is to start by sending out well-equipped crews with experienced leaders, followed by full support from our office staff. We cultivate an environment of clear and constructive communication between our organization and land management agencies.

TYPES OF PROJECTS

- Watershed Restoration
- Mining Reclamation
- Route/Road Closure
- Fencing
- Fire Rehabilitation
- Historic Preservation
- Sustainable Agriculture
- Parks Maintenance
- Water Conservation
- Desert Restoration
- Tree Planting/Seeding
- Invasive Species Mgt
- Trail Construction
- Fire Fuels Mitigation
- Inventorying/Mapping
- Weatherization
- Disaster Response

PROJECT PARTNERSHIPS

- National Park Service
- Arizona Game and Fish
- White Mountain Apache Tribe
- Gila Watershed Partnership
- National Forest Foundation
- Bureau of Land Management
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- Verde Watershed Restoration Coalition
- Escalante River Watershed Partnership
- US Forest Service
- City of Tucson
- Pima County
- Coconino County
- Arizona State Parks
- Maricopa County
- Bureau of Reclamation

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DIVERSITY

We emphasize the recruitment and engagement of diverse teams and individuals who learn from each other and their projects in a supportive environment.

In selecting participants, AZCC encourages all types of diversity including, but not limited to; race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, social-economic, and disability. Arizona Conservation Corps also emphasizes the engagement of local individuals who represent the communities in which they serve. Arizona Conservation Corps intentionally searches for funding sources and program options to support the goal of offering experiences to a wide range of participants.

BENEFITS

INDIVIDUAL

- On-the-ground conservation work experience
- Technical trainings and work skills development
- Exposure to potential employers
- Teamwork and leadership skills development
- AmeriCorps Education Award and weekly stipend

COMMUNITY

- Potential career opportunities for local young people
- Resource to address conservation and community needs
- Work that directly benefits local and regional environments
- Cost effective completion of critical projects for partners

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