



# Summer 2017 Crew Member Position Description American Sign Language Crews



**Member Signature**

**Position Summary:**

Join a crew for the summer working on outdoor conservation projects in Albuquerque or Santa Fe! Join a unique crew catered to youth who communicate through American Sign Language. Work with other youth fluent in American Sign Language, and serve your community through team service.

**Position Purpose:**

Crews will complete projects such as trail construction & maintenance, habitat restoration, historic preservation, watershed restoration, and other conservation projects. Crews will be in partnership with the New Mexico Youth Conservation Corps, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Albuquerque Sign Language Academy (Albuquerque Crew), and New Mexico School for the Deaf (Santa Fe Crew).

**Location:**

**Participants must have reliable transportation** to and from the location of their respective crews, according to their work schedule. Work hours will be Monday-Friday, 8 hours per day, plus a lunch break.

Crew	Season Start/End	Location and Schedule
Santa Fe ASL Crew	June 5 - August 11, 2017	Crew based in Santa Fe at the New Mexico School for the Deaf, 1060 Cerrillos Road
Albuquerque ASL Crew	June 5 - August 11, 2017	Crew based in Albuquerque, NM, at the Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge, 7851 2nd Street SW

**\*\*Participants will attend occasional service/training days outside of this schedule, including weekends.\*\***

**Benefits:**

Stipend	AmeriCorps Term	Education Award
\$9 per hour (Albuquerque) \$11.09 per hour (Santa Fe, city-wide minimum wage)	300 hours	\$1,230.69

This is an AmeriCorps position and corpsmembers will receive an **education award** upon successful completion of the term of service. This award can be used to pay tuition at most colleges, universities, and trade schools, or to pay off student loans already acquired.

Corpsmembers are eligible for health insurance during their term of service. **Crew transportation is provided** from RMYC headquarters to project sites, as needed.



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#### Responsibilities:

- Work hard on all projects as part of a team and in all types of weather
- Participate in daily check-ins and educational training sessions
- Maintain safe work environment to ensure physical and mental well-being
- Comply with work quality standards set forth by project partners and Crew Supervisor
- Maintain a positive and professional attitude; Respect the natural environment and community resources
- Be willing to reflect on your experience and share feedback in a group setting
- Develop obtainable goals for your transition into further education or employment
- Comply with all RMYC and AmeriCorps rules and policies; do not participate in any prohibited activities as described in member contract

#### Qualifications:

- Can communicate via American Sign Language
- 16 – 25 years old
- Strong work ethic
- Able to commit to entire term of service
- Able to work in supervised environment
- Have valid Social Security Card, Birth Certificate, and Photo ID

#### Essential Functions:

- Work outdoors in all weather conditions
- Regularly hike on uneven terrain while carrying tools, gear, or other equipment
- Frequently required to walk, sit, talk, listen
- Reach with hands and arms and lift or move up to 50 pounds
- Perform twisting and swinging motions

Reasonable accommodations will be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions.

#### To apply:

Online: [www.youthcorps.org/apply](http://www.youthcorps.org/apply)

#### In person:

Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge

7851 2nd Street SW

Albuquerque, NM 87105

Email: Wyatt Lane, [wyatt@youthcorps.org](mailto:wyatt@youthcorps.org)



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