



# Join The Corps Network's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Great Outdoors Day of Service



## About the Day of Service - June 19, 2015

The Corps Network's 2nd Annual Great Outdoors Day of Service is our way to recognize June as Great Outdoors Month. We hope this event will inspire Americans to join volunteer efforts to preserve our nation's natural spaces. You can help us celebrate the impact of service on our public lands and highlight the value of America's Service and Conservation Corps by joining us in service in our Nation's Capital.

Over 100 youth from Corps across the country will travel to Washington, DC to participate in the Day of Service. Additionally, The Corps Network is working to engage local and national organizations that support expanding opportunities for youth to serve, work and play outdoors.



## Get Involved!

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**Learn more about other Great Outdoors Month events:**  
[www.greatoutdoorsmonth.org](http://www.greatoutdoorsmonth.org)

## Tentative Schedule

### Friday, June 19, 2015

- 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.** **Launch Event at FDR Memorial**  
 Invited speakers include Sally Jewell, U.S. Secretary of the Interior; Wendy Spencer, CEO of the Corporation for National & Community Service and other professionals from the fields of service and conservation
- 10: 00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.** **Travel to project sites**  
 Projects will involve environmental conservation/restoration and park improvement [see reverse for more details]
- 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.** **Projects take place**  
 Lunch will be provided for volunteers
- 1:30 p.m.** **Volunteers depart**



### The Corps Network's Day of Service will include:

- Launch event at Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial on the National Mall
- Raffle to win outdoor gear and swag
- Service projects at iconic parks throughout Washington, DC

## Service Project Details

We anticipate hosting service projects at four locations: the National Mall, Rock Creek Park, Theodore Roosevelt Island and Daingerfield Island. The projects could include:

- Painting (of fences, benches, etc.)
- Invasive species removal
- Basic landscaping (planting, spreading mulch)
- Litter collection

All tools and materials for service projects will be provided. Projects will be supervised by The Corps Network and NPS employees.

## What to bring

Volunteers should come prepared to get messy! Projects include working in the dirt or painting. Plan to wear closed-toe shoes and comfortable clothing. Each volunteer will receive a Corps Network button.

Corpsmembers and Corps staff should wear t-shirts/uniforms from their Corps.

Water will be provided (as well as breakfast and lunch for volunteers). Other things participants should consider bringing:

- sunscreen
- hat
- bug spray

## Getting there

Participants should arrive at the West Basin Drive side of the FDR Memorial around 8:30 a.m. to check-in before the kick-off.

Following the kick-off event, transportation will be provided for volunteers who are serving at Theodore Roosevelt Island or Rock Creek Park (return transportation to The Corps Network's office provided). The FDR Memorial is about a 20 - 25 minute walk from the Smithsonian Metro Station (Blue & Orange lines). Parking is located near the Memorial on Ohio Dr., SW.

## About Great Outdoors Month™

June is a special time to celebrate America's Great Outdoors. What started as Great Outdoors Week under President Clinton in 1998 has grown significantly under both the Bush and Obama administrations into a month-long celebration of the outdoors and all the benefits it brings - including annual economic impact of \$650 billion nationwide.

Great Outdoors Month™ is led by the American Recreation Coalition. In addition to The Corps Network's Great Outdoors Day of Service, GO Month signature events include Kids to Parks Day, National Trails Day, National Fishing and Boating Week, National Get Outdoors Day, and the Great American Campout. Learn more at [www.greatoutdoorsmonth.org](http://www.greatoutdoorsmonth.org).



Great Outdoors Day of Service 2014: A Corpsmember from Harpers Ferry Job Corps painting at the FDR Memorial.



Great Outdoors Day of Service 2014: Corpsmembers from Groundwork Anacostia and Civic Works at Fort Dupont

## Thank you to Great Outdoors Day of Service Sponsors & Partners



### About The Corps Network

The Corps Network provides critical leadership to the Corps movement and our nation's Service and Conservation Corps as they harness the power of youth and young adults to tackle some of America's greatest challenges and transform their own lives. Our 100+ members operate in all states and the District of Columbia. Each year they collectively enroll approximately 23,000 Corpsmembers from ages 16-25. Corps are comprehensive youth development programs that provide their participants with job training, academic programming, leadership skills, and additional support through a strategy of service that improves communities and the environment.