



# Forestry Assistant Crew Leader (AmeriCorps)

**Position Title:** Forestry Assistant Crew Leader

**Location:** Office in Fort Collins, Colorado. Crews serve throughout Larimer and Boulder County

**Stipend:** \$3,020 /month (paid biweekly)

Dates: Short Term (2 openings) May 19 – August 22, 2025 (tentative)

Mid Term (1 openings) May 19 – September 26, 2025 (tentative) Long Term (1 opening) May 19 - October 24, 2025 (tentative)

AmeriCorps: Short Term | 450 Hour AmeriCorps Education Award: \$1,956.35

Mid Term | 675 Hour AmeriCorps Education Award: \$2,817.14 Long Term | 900 Hour AmeriCorps Education Award: \$3,697.50

Education Award upon successful completion. Position may also qualify for academic credit or internship.

**Benefits:** Eligible to participate in the AmeriCorps Student Loan Forbearance Program

Uniform shirts, equipment, transportation from office, and Larimer County's Employee

**Assistance Program** 

**Trainings:** Wilderness First Aid | early June in Fort Collins

S-212 | mid-May at Colorado Fire Camp, travel and training expenses will be covered

Leaders and assistants will be expected to test into a Class B Feller

S-130 and S-190 | mid-August near Fort Collins

Mental Health Training and QPR Certification | July in Fort Collins

Application: larimer.gov/lccc/joinus

Due to the short duration of the program, applications will only be reviewed for those that plan to participate for the entire program.

The Larimer County Conservation Corps (LCCC) offers positions to young adults to spend a season serving on meaningful conservation projects throughout the Front Range of Colorado. The LCCC is based in Fort Collins, Colorado and is an accredited corps through the Colorado Youth Corps Association and The Corps Network. Learn more about LCCC at larimer.gov/lccc.

Assistant crew leaders work side-by-side with crew members and crew leaders to complete work projects in a variety of weather conditions and terrain, including high altitudes. Members engage in a combination of hands-on projects and service-learning activities focused on environmental awareness, community engagement and personal and professional skill development. Projects may include a variety of trail construction or maintenance, invasive species management, fuels reduction with chainsaws, and habitat restoration.

**Short Term Forestry Assistant Crew Leader** (Camping) (2 positions): is a temporary position from May 19 - August 22 (tentative). Crew will complete projects that can include felling, brushing, and/or limbing (chainsaws) to assist with fire mitigation near Estes Park, Colorado. The crews will camp at various designated and dispersed campgrounds near the

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work site.

Mid Term Forestry Assistant Crew Leader (Camping) (1 position): is a temporary position from May 19 - September 26 (tentative). Crew will complete projects that can include felling, brushing, and/or limbing (chainsaws) to assist with fire mitigation near Red Feather Lakes, Colorado. Crew will camp at various designated and dispersed campgrounds near the work site.

Long Term Forestry Assistant Crew Leader (Camping) (1 position): is a temporary position from late May 19 - October 24 (tentative). Crew will complete projects that can include felling, brushing, and/or limbing (chainsaws) to assist with fire mitigation near Lyons, Colorado. Crew will camp at various designated and dispersed campgrounds near the work site.

The Larimer County Conservation Corps is hiring for a variety of positions. Please apply for all LCCC positions for which you would like to be considered.

#### Schedule:

Assistant Crew Leaders are expected to serve 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday and attend a staff meeting on Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to noon. If on a camping crew, crew leaders must camp Monday - Wednesday, returning to Fort Collins after working on Thursday. Meals will be provided while camping.

This schedule may be modified due to holidays, training, weather, logistics, or other unforeseen circumstances. Training dates will be coordinated and communicated prior to employment.

# Tasks or duties that are specific to this role:

- Mentor a crew of five AmeriCorps crew members, ages 18 to 30, daily
- Motivate and encourage others to work and persevere in difficult and physically challenging work settings
- Promote leadership while encouraging the development of teamwork, self worth, conflict resolution, effective communication, goal setting, decision making, and the building of community
- Monitor the physical and emotional safety of the crew
- Assist in training crew, in areas including, but not limited to, proper tool use, sawyer certification, and Leave No
  Trace principles
- Maintain a safe working environment and enforce the use of appropriate personal protective equipment
- Assist with evaluations, incident reports, and other paperwork requirements
- Assist in the facilitation of team building activities, environmental education, and job/life skills curriculum on a regular basis, or as projects determine appropriate
- Project Implementation:
  - Complete fire mitigation, hazardous tree removal, and invasive species management using chainsaws (other projects may include habitat restoration, fence construction, and trail work)
  - Perform duties expected of any crew member including conservation work, meal preparation, camp clean up, and other day-to-day duties
  - o Demonstrate the safe operation and maintenance of tools and equipment
  - Safely drive a vehicle and trailer
  - Use technology to accurately complete digital daily and weekly logs
  - o Implement Larimer County Conservation Corps policies and procedures
  - Coordinate logistics with project sponsors, program coordinator, and corps manager
  - Report directly to the crew leader, position to be filled, until hired direct questions to lccc@larimer.org

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#### Knowledge, skills and abilities the ideal candidate would have:

- Excellent leadership, organizational, and problem-solving skills
- Clear and effective communication skills, both verbal and written
- Background working in a team environment
- Proficient troubleshooting and conflict management skills
- Previous conservation experience
- Higher education in natural resources, Forestry, or an education-related field; or equivalent experience
- Previous chainsaw experience including S-212 certification or equivalent

# Required Qualifications Prior to May 19, 2025

- Must pass National Service Criminal History Checks (NSOPW, State, and FBI)
- U.S. Citizen, National, or Lawful Permanent Resident status required
- High school diploma or equivalent required in order to use Education Award after term of service
- Between the ages of 18 and 30 on May 19, 2025
- Must complete a dynamic lifting assessment
- Must possess an acceptable driving record, insurable driving record preferred

## **Physical Requirements:**

### Must have:

- Acceptable eyesight, including clear near and far vision, good depth perception
- Adequate hearing to perform job function
- Appropriate voice skills to be clearly understood on the telephone and in public contacts
- Fine and gross motor skills and use of arms, hands, and fingers to operate equipment

#### Must be able to:

- Hike up to eight miles carrying 50 lbs. in a 10-hour day
- Exert in excess of 100 lbs. of force occasionally, and/or in excess of 50 lbs. of force frequently, and/or in excess of 20 lbs. of force constantly to move objects.
- Climb, balance, stoop, kneel, crouch, crawl, and reach frequently or constantly

# **Environmental Conditions and Physical Surroundings:**

Exposure to variable weather conditions, noise, dust, airborne particles, and vibration

The Larimer County Conservation Corps (LCCC) is an Equal Opportunity Employer. This position is available to all without regard to race, color, sex, national origin, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation, political affiliation, religion, or other improper criterion. Qualified individuals with disabilities who need accommodations during the application, interview, hiring process or for service may make arrangements by contacting LCCC at (970) 498-6660 or lccc@larimer.org.

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