

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN YOUTH CORPS**  
**Rio Blanco Community Youth Crew Position Description – 2020**



**Position:** Community Youth Crew Member (Ages 14-15)  
*\*exceptions made for other interested youth*

**Location:** Rio Blanco, Colorado

**Session Dates:** SESSION ONE: (No Rio Blanco Youth Crew Offered)  
SESSION TWO: June 22th- June 26th (M-F, 8am-4pm), June 28th- July 3th (24/7 camping) (**TENTATIVE**)  
SESSION THREE: (No Rio Blanco Youth Crew Offered)  
SESSION FOUR: (No Rio Blanco Youth Crew Offered)  
SESSION FIVE: (No Rio Blanco Youth Crew Offered)

**Stipend:** Total stipend is \$768 for 2 week session (pre-tax, even if filing exempt, some taxes are mandatory for all income). One time \$75 registration fee can be paid by credit card, cash, or check. Scholarships are available!

**Hiring Requirements:** Employment Eligibility in the United States

**Overview:**

Rocky Mountain Youth Corps engages youth in the outdoors, inspiring them to use their strengths and potential to lead healthy, productive lives. Members will spend a two-week session serving on meaningful conservation and community development projects. These sessions operate in Rio Blanco county, and welcome youth from Rio Blanco and surrounding counties. Sessions include one “in-town” week where the crew participates within the community (or close by) M-F 8am-4pm and go home at night. The second week is spent camping and serving outside of town M-F, 24/7. Projects may include trail building and maintenance, fencing, noxious weed eradication, painting, or building small structures. Crews will be composed of 8-12 youth and are led by two adult Crew Leaders. Crews will camp and work in a variety of changing weather conditions. All corps members will participate in 32-36 hour weeks, daily camp chores (camping week) and educational and recreational activities throughout the week.

**Essential Position Functions:**

- Ability to live and serve closely with a diverse group of people for 2 weeks.
- Physical ability to be outside for 6-8 hours a day swinging a hand tool. (No prior experience is required- members will be trained.)
- The position may require extensive bending, lifting, pushing, stooping, carrying and other heavy physical labor for extended periods of time.
- To maximize the experience, the use of technology is not permitted during the workweek.
- Rocky Mountain Youth Corps’ programs are drug, alcohol and tobacco free.
- The nature of the work environment requires that corps members utilize appropriate safety equipment such as leather gloves, hard hat, long pants, sturdy boots and protective glasses.

**Qualifications:**

- Motivation, a positive attitude, and a general interest in conservation work
- Ability to sleep in a tent and work in a variety of weather conditions (rain, snow, sleet, and hail!)
- Must be committed to be away from home for a week camping outdoors
- Must be physically fit, and able to hike 2-3 miles in a day

***Rocky Mountain Youth Corps is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Rocky Mountain Youth Corps is committed to the inclusion of members with all levels of ability. Reasonable accommodations are available upon request. This program is available to all, without regard to race, color, national origin, disability, age, sex, political affiliation, or religion.***

*Please refer to our website or contact Carlyn Lawatsch, Youth Programs Manager at (970) 879-2135 x.102 or [clawatsch@rockymountainyouthcorps.com](mailto:clawatsch@rockymountainyouthcorps.com) with questions you have.*