



MONTANA CONSERVATION CORPS VETERANS GREEN CORPS

A New Way to Serve



MAY 21 through AUGUST 2, 2018

Modeled after the Civilian Conservation Corps, Montana Conservation Corps' Veterans Green Corps (VGC) is a field-based, on-the-job training program for post 9/11 era Armed Forces Veterans and Service Members. Participants serve as AmeriCorps members who dedicate a season to addressing a variety of conservation needs. Members work together for the betterment of Americas public lands while building on skills in preparation for careers in wildland fire fighting and resource management.

VGC members serve in some of the most coveted regions in the West. Throughout the program, members become efficient in chainsaw operation and maintenance, reinforce their leadership skills, and work on a high-performing team of peers. This position is ideal for Armed Forces Veterans and Service Members interested in gaining the skills to transition into a career in wildland firefighting and conservation.

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"I would encourage all my fellow veterans, to rise up and try something different by spending a summer with Montana Conservation Corps. I now realize how much of a life changing experience it really was for me."

“Parting ways, several members are joining local fire stations to fight wild fires, others return to college, and at least one is continuing on with MCC. Sometimes who you are with is as important as what you are doing. This group was unforgettable.”

VETERANS GREEN CORPS

Veterans Green Corps (VGC) is based in Helena, Montana in MCC’s Central Divide Region for an 11-week summer session. VGC crews work with land management agencies such as USFS, NPS, USFWS, and BLM. Project work consistently involves the use of chainsaws for fuels reduction or thinning projects. Project work may also include trail maintenance, structure building, and addressing many other land accessibility issues in national forests. Participants will spend the majority of their time camping, so relocation is not necessary.

BENEFITS

- \$650 biweekly living stipend
- \$1,230.69 AmeriCorps education award upon completion of service term
- Certifications in chainsaw use and Intro to Wildland Fire Behavior
- Incident Qualification (Red) Card certification
- 300+ hours of fuels reduction training and hands-on skill development
- The opportunity to network with land management employers
- VA approved non-college degree (NCD) training program

Eligible candidates must have served or be currently serving in the US Armed Forces and have a DD 214 . Veterans with an honorable discharge or general discharge under honorable conditions are encouraged to apply. Qualified individuals with disabilities and those from diverse backgrounds are also encouraged to apply.

Program dates and details may be subject to change.

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