Rensselaer Youth Outdoors

**Forest Conservation Corps**

A Summer Youth Work & Learning Adventure

Who? Youth ages 14-16

What? Work on valuable conservation projects while developing personal values and responsibilities that can enhance your education, leadership, and future job opportunities.

 **The Forest Conservation Corps program seeks to:**

* Promote conservation, education, and community service
* Educate, train, and develop the value of respect for others and the environment in young people
* Provide worthwhile work and community service experiences for young people while protecting the Rensselaer County’s parks, waters, and other precious natural resources

Where? Various locations in Rensselaer County

When? Monday July 22 to Friday July 26 at Dyken Pond Environmental Education Center

 Monday July 29 to Friday August 2 at Grafton Lake State Park

 Monday August 5 to Friday August 9 Poestenkill Community Forest

 Monday August 12 to Friday August 16 Albert Family Community Forest

 Daily, 9am – 3:30 pm

Cost? Free

Typical Day Teens will spend roughly half of their day working on conservation projects, while the other half of the day will be spent learning about the environment, job skills development, and enjoying the outdoors. A typical day might include clearing trails, entering data for a citizen science monitoring project, building an outdoor bridge or new trail signs, hiking, creating a survival shelter, doing team building challenges, or boating.

Questions? Contact program coordinator Amanda McCreary at:

Email: Amanda.ryo.coordinator@gmail.com

Phone: 518-810-4544

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**Forest Conservation Corps Application 2019**

Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Your age as of July 1, 2019: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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What grade will you have completed by July 2019? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

List any work experience (Continue this section on back if necessary)

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Indicate which week(s) you are interested in applying for. If you are interested in more than one week, number them to indicate preference (1 for highest preference):

Week 1\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Week 2\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Week 3\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Week 4\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

On the **back** of this application, please write a paragraph on why you would like to participate in this program

Do you have transportation to and from education sites: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Return completed application to “Forest Conservation Corps” at the following address

Dyken Pond Environmental Education Center

475 Dyken Pond Road

Cropseyville, New York 12052

Or Email to: Amanda.ryo.coordinator@gmail.com

Why I would like to participate in the Forest Conservation Corps program \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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