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Youth Conservation Corps Accepting Summer Applications

BEND—Youth 16 to 18-years-old can now apply for eight weeks of summer employment with the Central Oregon Youth Conservation Corps.

The Heart of Oregon Corps, Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council, and Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests are recruiting for the education and work program, which provides natural resource employment on federal land.

Nearly 100 applicants will be selected for this summer's program and earn \$8.40 an hour, working 36 hours a week. Projects might include building trails, maintaining fences, piling hazardous fuels, restoring campgrounds, improving wildlife habitat and thinning timber stands.

Youth will work nine hours a day, Monday through Thursday June 22 to August 13 with crews based in Crescent, Bend, Sisters, Prineville, Paulina and Madras.

Last year, 97 youth completed nearly 28,000 hours of conservation work in Central Oregon.

Applications must be received by April 26 and are available at Central Oregon high schools. They are also available at Heart of Oregon Corps, Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council, and Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests offices.

For online applications log onto: <http://www.heartoforegon.org>

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