



CHICO CENTER

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ABOUT THE CENTER

The CCC Chico Center is a non-residential facility where as many as 30 Corpsmembers commute to work daily. The center is part of the CCC Shasta Cascade District and often trains with Redding and Siskiyou Corpsmembers.

Corpsmembers typically work four, ten-hour days Monday through Thursday. Crews may also camp near remote work sites, called "spikes", for up to eight straight days.

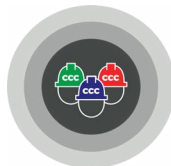
Chico Center Corpsmembers do a variety of natural resource work in and around Chico, Lake Oroville, and throughout Butte County. Corpsmembers often respond to emergencies to support wildland firefighting efforts.

WORK & TRAINING



Forestry Corps: Corpsmembers help reduce the risk of wildfire by removing hazardous fire fuels, plant trees and seedlings, collect cones and seeds, fell hazard and dying trees, receive arborist training and certifications.

The Chico Forestry Corps crew primarily works with the Big Chico Creek Ecological Reserve to train, earn certifications, and help improve the reserve's resiliency. Training includes the use of chain saws, wood chippers, and other hand and power tools. Chico Corpsmembers work hands-on constructing burn piles, learn about native ecology, and may take arborist courses.



Public Service Conservation Work: Corpsmembers assist state and local agencies, as well as non-profit organizations, implement projects that have significant public benefits and uses. Work can include bridge construction, dog park construction, park and median landscaping, minor construction and finishing work. Training is often unique to each project.



Invasive Species Removal: Corpsmembers learn how to remove invasive species using chain saws, brush cutters, and other tools. Project partners include City of Chico, State Parks, CAL FIRE, U.S. Forest Service, and others.

WORK & TRAINING



Emergency Response: Corpsmembers respond to emergencies across California for wildfire camp support, erosion control, floods, food bank support, and vaccination centers. Corpsmembers may be required to work extended hours on these assignments. Extended hours means Corpsmembers can work up to 16 hours in a day, earning excess pay. Emergency assignments away from center can last up to 21 days in a row.



Trail Construction & Maintenance: Corpsmembers construct and maintain trails for City of Chico, State Parks, local conservancies, counties, cities, and other non-profits. Project work may include clearing brush from along hiking trails, rebuilding trail tread, installing riprap to reduce erosion, dry masonry, and other techniques. Specific training varies by project.



Additional training and project work may also include **Flood Fighting**, and **Riparian & Watershed Restoration**. For a full list of projects, available training opportunities, and certifications, visit the [Chico Center web page](#).

EDUCATION



High School: The Chico Center offers Corpsmembers the opportunity to earn their high school diploma through a partnership with [John Muir Charter School](#). Corpsmembers without a diploma must work to earn one while enrolled.

Community College: Opportunities may also be available for Corpsmembers to further their education and earn additional certifications.



Core Training: All Corpsmembers participate in CCC's Corpsmember Development Program. These courses include resume building, job searching, and interview training and typically require three hours of educational activities per week.

POST-CCC

The Shasta Cascade District has a dedicated “Navigator” who works with Corpsmembers to plan their post-CCC careers, including assisting with job applications, career planning and college admissions. Corpsmembers go on to careers in the fire service, State Parks, Caltrans, U.S. Forest Service, and more!

