

# **LOS ANGELES CENTER**

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# **ABOUT THE CENTER**

The CCC Los Angeles Center is located near the intersection of South Main Street and Vernon Avenue south of downtown Los Angeles. The non-residential center enrolls as many as 45 Corpsmembers, who commute to work daily.

Project work takes Corpsmembers to urban and scenic locations throughout the greater Los Angeles area, including in the San Gabriel Mountains, Santa Monica Mountains, and local cities and neighborhoods.

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

# **WORK & TRAINING**



**Forestry / Fuel Reduction:** Corpsmembers help reduce the risk of wildfire by removing hazardous fire fuels, such as overgrown brush and invasive species. Crews work in rural environments as well as near urban landscapes to complete this work. Los Angeles partners include Caltrans, Los Angeles County, State Parks, U.S. Forest Service, local conservation districts, conservation non-profits, and cities. Training is often project specific, but can include the use of chain saws, pole saws, loppers, wood chippers, and other tools.



<u>Trail Construction & Maintenance:</u> Corpsmembers construct and maintain trails for 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. Work and training is project specific.



Invasive Species Removal: Corpsmembers learn how to remove invasive species using chain saws, brush cutters, herbicides and in some cases, burning and replacing them with California species. Project partners include Caltrans, State Parks, U.S. Forest Service, local non-profits and conservation districts, and others.

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Emergency Response: Corpsmembers respond to emergencies across California for wildfire camp support, 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.



**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 varies and is unique to each project.



Additional training and project work may include <u>Riparian &</u>
<u>Watershed Restoration</u>, <u>Flood Fighting</u>, and <u>Trail Building &</u>
<u>Maintenance</u>. For a full list of projects, available training opportunities, and certifications, visit the <u>Pomona District web page</u>.

#### **EDUCATION**



**High School:** The Los Angeles Center offers Corpsmembers the opportunity to earn their high school diploma through a partnership with <u>John Muir Charter School</u>. 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 Los Angeles Center partners with the Pomona Center to provide a dedicated "Navigator" to work with Corpsmembers as they 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, and more!



