POMONA CENTER

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ABOUT THE CENTER

The CCC Pomona Center is located on the grounds of Cal Poly Pomona Campus South. The non-residential center enrolls as many as 80 Corpsmembers, who commute to work daily from the surrounding area.

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

Wildland Firefighting: The Pomona Center partners with CAL FIRE to operate a year-round firefighting hand crew in San Bernardino County. Corpsmembers cut fire line, lay hose, and mop up wildland fires. The crew responds to local incidents and fires statewide.

Training is provided by CCC and CAL FIRE. Corpsmembers report to the Pomona Center before traveling to San Bernardino for work each day. Certifications include: IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, S-110, L-180, S-190, S-130, and additional certifications may also be available.

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 crew works in rural environments as well as near urban landscapes to complete this work. Partners include CAL FIRE, U.S. Forest Service, State Parks, local conservation districts, and others. Training includes the use of chain saws, wood chippers, and other tools.

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. Training is unique to each project.

WORK & TRAINING

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.

Trail Construction & Maintenance: Corpsmembers construct and maintain trails for State Parks, U.S. Forest Service, 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, constructing bridges, boardwalks, ADA compliant trails, dry masonry, and other techniques. Work and training is project specific.

Additional training and project work may also include **Flood Fighting**, **Riparian & Watershed Restoration**, and **Invasive Species Removal**. For a full list of projects, available training opportunities, and certifications, visit the **Pomona District web page**.

EDUCATION

High School: The Pomona 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 Pomona Center partners with the Los Angeles 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!