

Why involve corps in restoration projects or partnerships?

- Serves as workforce to get project done
- Engages youth in conservation efforts
- Targets specific social goals: diversity, local youth, at-risk youth, workforce development, etc.
- Generates match dollars for a project
- Increases the number of potential funding sources
- Expands existing partnerships
- Can potentially write grants to support efforts

Ways that corps can generate funds.....



Corps Engage Specific Populations

Examples include: at-risk youth, underserved populations, veterans, college students, “local” youth, low income, etc.

Funding examples: Workforce Investment Act (WIA), Foundations with engagement targets, State Prevention or Youth Services, Diversity or Youth programs within federal agencies, etc.

Corps Mission and Activities


Examples include community service, job training, or education.

Funding examples: AmeriCorps (Corporation for National Community Service), Department of Labor, Foundations (Bank of the West), Department of Education, etc.

Conservation or Work Projects

Watershed specific examples include: Invasive species removal , planting, bank stabilization, monitoring, mapping

Funding examples: Federal agencies, state agencies, local governments, private landowners, non-profits, foundations, etc.



Funders are increasingly looking for projects and partnerships that can give them most bang for the buck.

Corps create strong proposals and partnerships because we increase the impacts!

conservation + community service + at-risk youth + job training + AmeriCorps education award



Funding Sources Looking for Multiple Impacts

Government Agencies

- Federal: Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, Bureau of Reclamation Youth Programs (Youth Initiative, Public Land Corps, Youth Conservation Corps)
- State: Water Conservation Board, State Forests, Parks and Wildlife, Natural Resources Dept. (Colorado Healthy Rivers Fund, GOCO, CO Forest Watershed Restoration, New Mexico YCC, etc.)

Foundations

- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (conservation focus)
 - Wells Fargo (underserved communities)
 - AGO- Developing the Next Generation of Conservationists (youth in conservation)
 - Five Star Restoration (community based)
- Commission for Environmental Cooperation
 - North American Partnership for Environmental Community Action (community based, underserved populations)