

# 2021 Forest Stewards Youth Corps

## Fall Fire & Fuels Program JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Forest Stewards Guild is hiring Crew Members for three crews based out Jemez Pueblo Natural Resources Department and the Mountainair and Espanola U.S. Forest Service Ranger Districts. Crew Members will be employees of the Forest Stewards Guild. The program runs for 14 weeks from August 16th until November 19th. Crews will complete natural resource management projects and participate in prescribed fire operations when conditions and weather permit. Crew Members earn \$15.00 per hour.

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### DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- ~ 18-25 years old
- ~ New Mexico resident
- ~ Comply with Forest Service and FSYC rules and policies
- ~ Comply with FSYC COVID safety protocols such as pre-employment testing, mask wearing, social distancing, etc.
- ~ No previous wildland fire fighting experience is required
- ~ Physically fit and able to lift 75lbs, work long days in the field (14 hours) and walk with heavy loads on steep and uneven terrain
- ~ Certification as a wildland firefighter within one week of the start of the program (training provided).
- ~ Be prepared to camp at Cottonwood Gulch Basecamp during the mandatory training in week one and two of the program. Food is provided.
- ~ Must be able to pass an arduous pack test.

### TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

The fall Forest Stewards Youth Corps (FSYC) Fire & Fuels program will include a comprehensive training component that will include National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) Basic Wildland Fire Fighting (S-130/190), Wildland Fire Chainsaw Use (S-212), CPR and first-aid, defensive driving, and New Mexico Forest Worker Safety. FSYC participants will also receive on the job training and mentorship from U.S. Forest Service, Pueblo, and Forest Stewards Guild staff.

### OTHER DETAILS

The 2021 fall program will start with an overnight training at the Cottonwood Gulch Foundation near Thoreau, NM. This training is dependent upon the status of the COVID pandemic. For the remainder of the program, each crew will report to their respective duty station. FSYC participants must supply their own wildland fire fighting boots, which must measure 8 inches from heel to the top of the boot, be constructed of all leather, and have lugged soles. All other personal protective equipment will be provided. Camping equipment will be required for the training and prescribed fire operations. While some equipment may be provided, participants should supply their own camping equipment (tent, 20-degree sleeping bag, sleeping pad etc.). Lodging may be available for the Mountainair based crew.

### TO APPLY

To apply for a fall Crew Member position, please complete the online application at <https://foreststewardsguild.org/fsyc/>. **Positions are open until filled.** Please contact Matt Piccarello ([matt@forestguild.org](mailto:matt@forestguild.org), 505-470-9725) with any questions.



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