



FY25 BUDGET REQUEST



Agency Background: The New Mexico Youth Conservation Corps (NMYCC) annually receives a governmental gross receipts tax (GGRT) distribution. Our mission is to fund local government units, tribes and non-profits who hire and provide career development for youth ages 14 to 25 in public service projects. Funding primarily pays corps member wages and other project-related expenses. Corps members with more than three years of YCC experience may qualify for a \$1500 educational voucher or \$500 cash.

YCC is supervised by a nine-member Commission and there are two full-time employees.

The FY 25 request is \$6,000K, a 9.8% increase over FY24. This includes \$1,200K from the fund balance.

The increase will cover:

- Cooperative agreements with the State Land Office and Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources to conduct YCC programs.
- An award cap increase from \$200K to \$225K
- Increased costs of materials (t-shirts, signs) that support YCC projects.
- Corps member benefits for 25-30 corps members.

Personal Services decrease is due to an adjustment that conforms with projected salaries.



Fire restoration projects in 2023 by Hermits Peak Watershed Association, RiverSource and Forest Stewards Guild crews.

Use	FY23 Actuals	FY24 OPBUD	FY25 Request
200 Personal Services/Employee Benefits (2 FTEs)	\$206	\$278.00	\$232.40
300 Contractual Services (YCC Projects)	\$3,313.00	\$5,400.00	\$5,545.00
400 Operating Costs	\$73.10	\$95.30	\$97.60
500 Other Financing Uses (EMNRD fee)	\$125	\$125.00	\$125
Total Uses	\$3,716.90	\$5,898.30	\$6,000.00



Performance Based Budget Measures, FY22

Percent of eligible corps members receiving education voucher or cash benefit.

Target: 85% Actual: 55%

Sixty-four youth eligible; thirty-five responded and received benefits. YCC continues to work on improving response rate.

Percentage of all award funds used for corps member wages.

Target: 77% Actual: 76%

Each project must allocate at least 70% of funds to wages.

Number of youth employed annually.

Target: 840 Actual: 543

Higher wages and enticing advertising improves recruitment; but most projects still unable to recruit full crews.

What Project Managers Say



Corps members have been invaluable in helping us improve the City's park system and residents proudly share the results. – *City of Aztec*

YCC supports vital life and workplace training that benefits corps members for years to come. – *Harwood Art Center*

YCC enabled us to hire, train and empower seven local youth to help their community recover from the fire. – *Hermits Peak Watershed Alliance*

What Corps Members Say

YCC created so many wonderful friendships, connections, skills, opportunities, and memories for me.

I am proud to show people that we made something that isn't just structural or pretty, but has real meaning to the issues happening within that community.

I got to work with different agencies and gained contacts in my field of study.



YCC Projects FY23

Project Manager	Counties	Youth Employed	Amount Funded	Amount Reimbursed	In-Kind Contributions
Albuquerque Sign Language Academy - Student Conservation	Bernalillo	41	\$129,570.20	\$84,957.03	\$18,272.85
Aldo Leopold Charter School: Fall Project 2022 - Art, Trails, Garden, Ecology	Grant	107	\$129,989.00	\$66,885.20	\$20,614.27
Aldo Leopold Charter School: Spring 2022 - Art, Trails, Garden, Ecology	Grant	34	\$93,975.00	\$64,780.10	\$27,498.01
Aldo Leopold Charter School: Spring 2023 - Garden, mural, trail crews	Grant	88	\$174,045.00	\$124,144.61	\$46,351.98
ALMA 2022 Institute at Valle de Oro	Bernalillo	8	\$76,147.36	\$76,147.36	\$31,709.36
City of Aztec - Tiger Park Improvements	San Juan	8	\$44,541.10	\$24,339.82	\$31,712.19
City of Bloomfield - Russian Olive and Salt Cedar Eradication	San Juan	5	\$63,691.32	\$28,247.60	\$17,756.12
City of Gallup - Trail Crews	McKinley	15	\$149,999.04	\$102,394.75	\$40,931.15
City of Las Cruces - Empowering Youth Through Art & Community Forestry	Dona Ana	5	\$82,301.80	\$29,538.50	\$6,898.89
City of Tucumcari - Beautification and Park Improvements	Quay	8	\$60,487.80	\$47,494.16	\$26,916.05
Ciudad SWCD - Public Open Space Restoration and Improvement	Bernalillo	13	\$124,083.85	\$40,461.42	\$3,306.50
Commons Center for Food Sustainability & Security - Infrastructure Build	Grant	7	\$22,941.86	\$15,033.38	\$2,999.87
Conservation Legacy - Acoma Pueblo Traditional Farm Corps	Cibola	7	\$60,005.61	\$58,794.07	\$53,648.68
Conservation Legacy - Pueblo of Zuni Springs and Trails	Cibola	5	\$85,722.30	\$59,317.64	\$61,285.78
County of Bernalillo- Hubble Open Space and East Central Ministries	Bernalillo	4	\$44,108.12	\$14,918.70	\$16,723.51
East Rio Arriba SWCD - Surveying and Inventorying Project	Rio Arriba	5	\$46,215.33	\$38,837.05	\$12,180.00
EcoServants - Lincoln's Best Summer Job Ever	Lincoln, Otero	19	\$146,964.38	\$140,680.80	\$31,272.36
EcoServants - Otero's Best Summer Job Ever	Lincoln, Otero	16	\$146,964.38	\$130,820.97	\$31,032.77
GEM Environmental NFP - YCC Mine Feature Inventory - Chloride	Sierra, Socorro, Catron	8	\$304,733.14	\$173,114.70	\$41,398.31
Harwood Art Center - Sculpture & Community at Mesa Verde Park	Bernalillo	10	\$50,862.96	\$50,862.96	\$17,183.22
Institute for Applied Ecology- Seed Collection & Habitat Restoration	Bernalillo, Rio Arriba, San Miguel, Sandoval, Santa Fe, Valencia	5	\$91,773.34	\$70,581.78	\$18,379.62
Pueblo of Sandia - Pueblo of Sandia's Ranch Properties	Mora	4	\$114,024.24	\$24,311.81	\$122,093.03
Rio Arriba County - Precious Age Precious Water	Rio Arriba	16	\$138,841.96	\$100,980.94	\$34,102.14
Rio Arriba County - Therapeutic Healing Memorial Garden	Rio Arriba	17	\$129,249.76	\$107,338.75	\$38,636.38
RiverSource Inc. Watershed Resilience Academy 2022	Rio Arriba, Sandoval, Santa Fe, Taos	20	\$59,411.62	\$52,285.24	\$30,539.70
Robert F. Kennedy Charter School - School to Farm	Bernalillo	28	\$147,983.51	\$121,608.60	\$37,937.07
Rocky Mountain Youth Corps - Central NM Youth Dev't & Conservation	Bernalillo, Santa Fe	13	\$150,000.00	\$72,947.93	\$32,410.85
Rocky Mountain Youth Corps - Upper Rio Grande Youth Dev't & Conservation	Taos	12	\$150,000.00	\$71,063.97	\$69,588.85
Santa Clara Pueblo YCC Summer Traditional Resources Restoration	Rio Arriba, Sandoval	24	\$142,057.09	\$113,764.52	\$35,787.13
Santa Fe Children's Museum - Sardening & Cultural Preservation	Santa Fe	7	\$86,940.27	\$25,213.40	\$10,068.35
Southwest Educational Partners in Training - ShadySide Farm	Bernalillo	24	\$149,957.99	\$103,470.48	\$31,909.54
Taos Land Trust - Young Farmers and Ecologists at Rio Fernando Park	Taos	29	\$149,313.35	\$60,360.40	\$7,838.53
The Family YMCA - Los Alamos Y Trails YCC 2022	Los Alamos	14	\$67,861.56	\$67,861.56	\$20,554.27
Forest Stewards Youth Corps: Summer 2022	Cibola, Los Alamos, Mora, Rio Arriba, San Miguel, Sandoval, Santa Fe, Torrance	25	\$149,962.82	\$145,684.43	\$40,279.84
Forest Stewards Youth Corps Fire and Fuels Program: Fall 2022	Bernalillo, Rio Arriba, Sandoval, Santa Fe, Taos, Torrance	13	\$149,957.04	\$147,732.34	\$55,354.98
Town of Mountair - Recreational Rehabilitation Project	Torrance	6	\$32,693.40	\$16,084.78	\$3,322.16
Valencia County - Wildland Fire Youth Corps Crew	Valencia	6	\$86,843.84	\$78,250.63	\$42,979.26
Valencia SWCD - Whitfield Fire Mitigation, Trails & Habitat	Valencia	4	\$52,653.90	\$24,802.80	\$5,098.14
Village of Angel Fire - Apprentice Firefighter Program	Colfax	4	\$149,894.15	\$72,924.72	\$19,946.51
Village of Columbus - Public Facilities Improvement	Luna	13	\$22,813.76	\$20,736.29	\$4,166.23
Village of Santa Clara - Fort Bayard 18 Hole Disk Golf Course	Grant	8	\$31,301.06	\$31,301.06	\$19,331.55
Western New Mexico University - Sustainable Future and Outdoor Programs	Grant	5	\$149,999.99	\$61,979.24	\$40,651.17
YouthWorks - Santa Fe Youth Conservation Corps	Santa Fe	22	\$149,999.40	\$149,999.40	\$63,195.00
Grand Total		732	\$ 4,590,883.60	\$ 3,113,055.89	\$ 1,323,862.17

YCC Projects FY24

Project Manager	County	Youth Employed	Amount Funded	Completed Project		Incomplete Project
				Amount Reimbursed	In Kind Contributions	
Alamo Navajo School Board, Inc - Beautification & Restoration Project	Socorro	10	\$109,111.38	\$22,709.01	\$0.00	
Albuquerque Sign Language Academy - Honey Badger Conservation Crews	Bernalillo	35	\$174,664.48	\$86,978.96	\$0.00	
Aldo Leopold Charter School - Fall: Art Trails, Landscape, Monitoring	Grant	40	\$107,216.00	\$19,892.38	\$0.00	
ALMA Summer Institute at Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge	Bernalillo	7	\$79,559.33	\$65,226.25	\$24,343.36	
Aztec Schools - Campus Beautification	San Juan	19	\$146,387.50	\$54,555.74	\$15,734.32	
City of Aztec - Riverside Park Improvements	San Juan	5	\$42,923.97	\$14,684.16	\$49,043.03	
City of Bloomfield - Vereda Riverwalk Improvement	San Juan	10	\$82,233.12	\$77,467.46	\$61,966.09	
City of Gallup - Gallup Trail Systems	McKinley	15	\$174,980.89	\$27,651.51	\$5,709.29	
City of Tucumanari - Open Space Revitalization	Bernalillo, Quay	8	\$80,598.64	\$26,172.02	\$11,329.73	
Commons Center for Food Sustainability & Security - Rooted Summer	Grant	7	\$20,756.57	\$7,542.00	\$2,558.33	
Conservation Legacy - Ancestral Lands Bernalillo County	Bernalillo	6	\$61,414.09	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Conservation Legacy - Acoma Traditional Farm Corps	Bernalillo, Catron, Cibola	8	\$61,414.09	\$35,107.16	\$23,822.00	
County of Bernalillo - County AgCorps	Bernalillo	9	\$50,460.28	\$0.00	\$7,093.22	
East Rio Arriba SWCD - Surveying and Inventorying Project	Rio Arriba	8	\$43,595.32	\$27,436.33	\$3,964.17	
EcoServants - Lincoln County's Trails and Public Lands	Lincoln, Otero	17	\$165,169.29	\$131,260.33	\$36,408.38	
EcoServants - Otero County's Trails and Public Lands	Lincoln, Otero	12	\$165,169.29	\$73,873.32	\$27,199.78	
GEM Environmental NFP - Gold Hill Mining District Mine Feature Inventory	Cibola, Grant, Hidalgo, McKinley	6	\$419,445.71	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Harwood Art Center - Garden and Archway for Mesa Verde Park	Bernalillo	10	\$59,259.79	\$57,164.72	\$33,047.51	
Hermit's Peak Watershed Alliance - Restoration in Flood Mitigation	Mora, San Miguel	7	\$91,085.75	\$74,182.12	\$20,864.01	
Jemez Mountain Public Schools - Reclamation & Preservation	Rio Arriba	11	\$79,580.81	\$58,421.13	\$14,844.75	
Rio Arriba County - Healing Gardens	Rio Arriba	25	\$174,999.99	\$104,426.03	\$51,849.14	
Rio Arriba County - Fairgrounds Improvements	Rio Arriba	13	\$174,999.00	\$154,524.01	\$46,813.36	
RiverSource Inc. - Watershed Academy Youth Conservation Corps	Mora, Rio Arriba, San Miguel, Santa Fe, Taos	30	\$121,889.52	\$116,092.55	\$30,415.50	
Robert F. Kennedy Charter School - Farm to School	Bernalillo	27	\$173,837.00	\$79,790.77	\$12,776.95	
Rocky Mountain Youth Corps - Central NM Youth Dev't & Conservation	Bernalillo, Santa Fe	17	\$134,138.30	\$79,040.19	\$36,163.31	
Rocky Mountain Youth Corps - Northern NM Youth Dev't and Conservation	Rio Arriba, Taos	10	\$165,065.08	\$57,146.89	\$39,967.98	
San Juan College - Trail System & Disc Golf Improvements	San Juan	15	\$175,000.00	\$131,388.91	\$60,455.50	
Santa Clara Pueblo - Traditional and Ecological Resources Project	Rio Arriba, Sandoval	18	\$120,103.39	\$35,818.62	\$13,328.00	
Santa Fe Children's Museum - Community & Conservation	Bernalillo, Santa Fe	5	\$74,298.92	\$27,917.92	\$16,245.25	
Spirit of Hidalgo - Explore Hidalgo County Outside (EHCO)	Hidalgo	10	\$60,140.00	\$60,140.00	\$20,678.31	
Talking Talons Youth Conservation Crew - Trail Restoration	Bernalillo	7	\$58,046.05	\$43,307.70	\$18,523.50	
Taos Land Trust - Rio Farnando Park Emerging Farmers/Ecologists Program	Taos	11	\$135,206.64	\$66,151.20	\$13,118.07	
The Family YMCA - Y Trails	Los Alamos	12	\$76,169.88	\$59,407.07	\$14,708.68	
The Forest Stewards Guild Youth Corps - Summer 2023	Cibola, Mora, Rio Arriba, San Miguel, Sandoval, Santa Fe, Torrance	24	\$174,842.39	\$174,842.39	\$41,657.70	
The Forest Stewards Guild - Fire and Fuels Program	Bernalillo, McKinley, Rio Arriba, Sandoval, Santa Fe, Taos, Torrance	14	\$174,667.32	\$22,859.54	\$3,106.82	
Town of Estancia - Punkin Chunk Field Improvements	Torrance	5	\$87,794.44	\$19,371.47	\$10,958.68	
Town of Mountainair - Outdoor Space Rehabilitation Project	Torrance	9	\$46,032.99	\$19,071.30	\$3,895.83	
Valencia SWCD - Fire Mitigation and Conservation	Valencia	6	\$61,678.91	\$37,852.10	\$0.00	
Village of Santa Clara - Fort Bayard Disc Golf Completion	Grant	8	\$31,301.06	\$17,118.48	\$0.00	
YouthWorks Santa Fe Youth Corps - Environmental Sustainability Project	San Miguel, Santa Fe	27	\$174,998.89	\$141,931.28	\$54,123.11	
Grand Total			\$ 4,610,246.07	\$ 2,308,523.02	\$ 826,713.66	