



## 2023 Routt Community Youth Crew FAQ

**Q:** Who can participate in the Routt Community Youth Crew (CYC)?

**A:** CYC is open to youth ages 14-15 who are residents of Moffat or Routt counties.

**Q:** Is this a job? Am I paid for my work?

**A:** Yes, this is a job! That means that Youth should be engaged in the entire hiring process. **We highly encourage the applicants to reach out with any questions and inquiries about the application process.** If you are hired for a session, you will work 30 hours per week. Details about payment can be found in the position description on our website. Paychecks can be expected 3-5 weeks after the completion of your session.

**Q:** Do I need previous work or outdoor experience to apply?

**A:** No! We encourage anyone who is interested in learning more about camping, a career in the outdoors, working on a team, serving the environment and local communities, or looking for a fun and rewarding summer job to apply!

**Q:** How long is CYC?

**A:** CYC is a two-week-long program. The first week is a day program Monday through Friday 7:45-4:00 pm. The second week is camping Sunday through Friday.

**Q:** How can I apply to be in a session of CYC?

**A:** The applicant should fill out an application; no resume is required! You can find the position description and application under the Join tab in the menu on the "Youth Crew ages 14-18" page on our [website](#). After you apply, a staff member will email you with more information and the next steps.

**Q:** What are the next steps in the application process?

**A:** After you apply, a Youth Programs staff member will reach out with a Zoom link to register for an RMYC Youth Crew Info session. **All youth wishing to join the program MUST attend one virtual info session to secure their placement on a crew.** After you attend the info session, you will receive an email with your session placement, program information, a medical and demographic form as well as a work registration packet from DocuSign. **Only parents/guardians need to fill out the DocuSign Packet.** Once we receive, the DocuSign, Medical, and Demographic forms Youth will officially be hired. Once we receive, the DocuSign, Medical, and Demographic forms Youth will officially be hired. Youth and parents/guardians can expect a Session specific email with Crew Leader info, project details,

pick-up and drop-off information, and other pertinent information two weeks to a month prior to their start date.

**Q:** I haven't heard from anyone regarding my application yet, what should I do?

**A:** RMYC Staff tries to respond to applicants within 2-3 weeks after receiving their application. We have had a high frequency of emails going to spam boxes recently. If you still have not heard from us, please reach out to Sara Duft, [sduft@rockymountainyouthcorps.com](mailto:sduft@rockymountainyouthcorps.com), (970)879-2135 ext 102

**Q:** Is there a registration fee?

**A:** No!

**Q:** Can youth participate in more than one session?

**A:** CYC receives many applications each year. We work to ensure that as many applicants as possible can participate in a session. If you would like to participate in more than one session, we are happy to place you on a waitlist.

**Q:** Where are the program drop-off and pick-up located?

**A:** For the first week of CYC, the drop-off and pick-up location will be at the Steamboat Transit Center, 1505 Lincoln Ave, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487. The camping week drop-off and pick-up will be at RMYC Headquarters, 991 Captain Jack Dr.

**Q:** Do you provide transportation support?

**A:** Yes! We are happy to work with your family to provide transportation support on a case-by-case basis.

**Q:** Do you provide camping gear?

**A:** Yes! We provide tents, sleeping bags, and sleeping pads as needed.

**Q:** Will food be provided?

**A:** During **WEEK 1**, youth are asked to eat breakfast before their arrival and to bring lunch and snacks for the day. Program staff will have extra snacks on hand for those who forget or are unable to provide them. **During WEEK 2 (camping)** Youth will be provided breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks during the entire week. Youth are welcome to bring non-perishable items with them and will be required to store those in animal-safe containers.

**Q:** Do you accommodate food allergies and sensitivities?

**A:** Yes! RMYC is happy to make accommodations for youth with food allergies and sensitivities. Please call or email us if the participant has a severe reaction to discuss options and needs.

**Q:** What does a typical day in CYC look like?

**A:** A typical day in employment through the CYC program starts with a morning stretch and safety circle. CYC typically engages in project work for 5-6 hours each day with an hour for

education, games, lunch, and several snack and water breaks as needed!

**Q:** What sorts of projects do CYC crews complete?

**A:** Projects change from year to year and typically consist of trail construction and maintenance, habitat restoration, invasive plant removal, barbed wire and buck and rail fence maintenance, and other outdoor projects. RMYC partners with the city of Steamboat Springs, the Bureau of Land Management, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, National and State Parks, the Forest Service, and other local non-profit organizations.

**Q:** Can I miss a day during the program?

**A:** We want participants to be present for the entire program. We understand that appointments and other obligations happen and will accommodate them on a case-by-case basis.

**Want to find out more?** Please check out our [Youth Corps Field Resource Page](#). It is new this year and currently under construction, so check back on January 30th!