



## STUDENT CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION

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## MARYLAND VETERAN CONSERVATION CORPS

### Student Conservation Association (SCA) Veterans

**Conservation Corps** is comprised of post-9/11-era US Military Veterans receiving essential training, credentials and experience to competitively pursue forestry careers. The Maryland Veteran Conservation Corps will consist of 1 leader and 4 members and will serve in all five parks in the Point Lookout Complex (Point Lookout, Greenwell, Newtowne Neck, St. Clement's Island, and St. Mary's River—all in St. Mary's County), with other nearby state parks, and on Maryland Conservation Corps projects which may involve some travel.

The duration of this corps will be 52 weeks and will give members the work skills needed to enter into the conservation workforce. Work-skills training is provided through Maryland Forest Service through the Maryland Conservation Corps. Training may include chainsaw, emergency medical responder, introduction to search and rescue, small craft safety, interpretive skills. In addition to these trainings, leader and members will learn:

- Basic carpentry
- Basic tool identification, use, safety, and PPE
- Trail construction and maintenance
- Landscaping and site restoration training
  - Proper tree/sapling/seed planting techniques
  - Dendrology/botany that provides background for using keys to identify tree/plant native and invasive species
  - Seed collection/stratification methods
  - Proper limb pruning using collar cuts
  - Certified applicator training for herbicides/pesticides

### PROGRAM DATES & LOCATIONS:

- **June 3, 2019 - March 30, 2020**  
52 weeks (Flexible 2-4 Weeks)
- Point Lookout, Greenwell, Newtowne Neck, St. Clement's Island, and St. Mary's River

### BENEFITS

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### REQUIREMENTS

- Personal vehicle required for travel to/from locations for daily pickup to worksites
- Must be a Veteran located in the Maryland area; no housing is provided

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Read the Veteran's Fire Corps blog at [thesca.org/VFC](http://thesca.org/VFC).