

This Funding Announcement is not a request for applications. This announcement is to provide public notice of the National Park Service (NPS), intention to fund the following project activities **without** competition.

ABSTRACT	
Funding Announcement	P17AS00145
Project Title	HUTR Farmland Project with Native American Youth
Recipient	Conservation Legacy
Total Anticipated Award Amount	\$61,000
Cost Share	\$20,360
Anticipated Length of Agreement	April 1, 2017-June 30, 2018
Anticipated Period of Performance	April 1, 2017-June 30, 2018
Award Instrument	Task Agreement Under P15AC00024
Statutory Authority	54 USC §101702(a), (b) and 16 USC § 1723(c)(1)
CFDA # and Title	15.931 Conservation Activities by Youth Service Organizations
Single Source Justification Criteria Cited	Task Agreement awarded under a Master Agreement P15AC00024
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OVERVIEW

The objective of this Agreement is to provide training and skills in the care and maintenance of Hubbell Trading Post's restored agricultural fields, and animal husbandry. The SCC crew would irrigate the fields 2 -3 times a week and weed as weeds are growing. Also, they will water the newly planted orchard once or twice a week, and plant and care for the interpretive kitchen garden which is situated behind the historic Hubbell home. This teaches youth irrigation and watering techniques, farming techniques, and how to care for immature plants. The SCC farmer will provide the training with some assistance from the NPS staff as needed. Additionally the youth will care for the park's horses, sheep, goats, chickens, and llama. Livestock will be fed on a daily basis and cleaning of the pens will be done weekly. This provides training for the youth in animal husbandry. They will also help to shear the sheep and rotate the sheep and goats. This shows the youth how to care for the parks animals. They will also maintain the cultural landscape such that it is aesthetically pleasing, which shows the youth how to maintain cultural landscapes.

In addition, they will assist in park events providing demonstrations on agricultural practices including what they have learned and assist NPS staff during events related to farm work. This crew will consist of 1 crew leader who will work from April 4, 2017 through March 25, 2018, and the 2 additional labor support staff will work from April 4 through Sept 25, 2017. They will work 5 days a week on staggered schedules to provide adequate coverage.

STATEMENT OF JOINT OBJECTIVES/PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLAN

RECIPIENT INVOLVEMENT

1. Coordinate a work schedule with NPS and provide the crew with a leader experienced in the farm operations.
2. Provide Native youth trainees
3. Maintain contact with park staff and SCC crew, and address performance and conduct matters as needed and as they arise.
4. Provide workers compensation and liability insurance for crew members;
5. Issue paychecks.
6. Communicate daily with representatives of the NPS to ensure activities are performed in accordance with park compliance and policy, as needed to complete the project. NPS will assist SCC crew as needed to accomplish the goals of the project. SCC staff will work independently with measurable success.
7. Learn and perform the outlined work under direct supervision of SCC crew leader, or independently once skills are learned.
8. Comply with safety and minimal impact requirements, fire regulations, Arizona Game and Fish regulations, and regulations protecting cultural and natural resources, and threatened and endangered species.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE INVOLVEMENT

1. Provide project guidance, scope of work, Job Hazard Analysis, safety briefings, materials, specialized tools, radios, and related supplies.
2. Provide orientation and overview of the NPS, park mission and agricultural history;
3. Provide all material required for the job(s).
4. Inform SCC work leaders of daily priority and work site assignments.

NPS did not solicit full and open competition for this award based the following criteria:

This Task Agreement is awarded as a continuation of the Master Agreement P15AC00024.