

# CAREERS CONNECT

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A Weekly on Jobs and Resources

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Students, Colleagues and Peers: Local non-profits are seeking talent; ABQ-area positions close this week. Weekly issues of Career Connects are archived [here](#).

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*LIFE TIP: "It is good to realize that falling apart is not such a bad thing. Indeed, it is as essential to transformation as the cracking of outgrown shells. Anxieties and doubts can be healthy and creative, not only for the person, but for the society, because they permit new and original approaches to reality."*

~ in memory of Joanna Macy (1929-2025)

## »»» Gila Asst. Program Manager, Bat Conservation International

Based in Silver City or T&C, this full-time salaried position starting in August will support the planning, development and implementation of Black Fire recovery projects in the Also Leopold Wilderness; position is funded through 2028 (salary: \$55K-\$65K annually).

## Executive Director, Las Vegas NM Community Foundation «««

Las Vegas' very own community foundation, integral in facilitating funding towards post-HPCC wildfire recovery, is seeking an executive director to spearhead the programming, fiscal and administrative management of the foundation (salary, \$55K annually/negotiable; deadline 8/15).

## »»» Conservation Program Manager, Rocky Mountain Youth Corps

August start date for this full-time, exempt salaried position with benefits to provide organizational leadership and program management at this Taos-based youth development non-profit (salary: \$57,500-\$62,500 annually).

# IN THE SPOTLIGHT

## **Fall Fire & Fuels Youth Corps, Forest Stewards Guild**

Seeking 18-25-year-olds for a rewarding experience and mentorship with Jemez Pueblo Natural Resource Dept and US Forest Service. These positions include certifications in S-130/190 Basic Wildland Fire Fighting, S-212 Wildland Fire Chainsaw Use, CPR/First Aid, Defensive Driving, leadership development and resume/cover letter writing. Position runs from mid-August through mid-November (salary: crew members @ \$18 p.hr; crew leaders @ \$20 p/hr)

## **Research & Monitoring Crew Leader, CO Forest Restoration Institute @ CO State Univ.**

Ft. Collins based position to support field data collection and management for various field studies. Supervise 2-4 technicians in backcountry forest landscapes. Full-time from April-Oct.; extension based on funding (salary: \$44,023-\$50,150).

## CALL TO ACTION:

- Your voice is needed in the development of the [Yazzie/Martinez Action Plan](#) – regional gatherings are planned statewide, Aug 5-26 (in-person and virtual)
- The Bird Banding Lab and Breeding Bird Survey are two essential science programs that help us understand birds. They reveal how our environment is changing, which species are declining, and where conservation action is most needed. Tell Congress to [keep the Breeding Bird Survey and Breeding Bird Lab](#) in the federal budget, so we can continue to protect birds and people.

## >>> Other Positions:

- [Community Outreach Coordinator](#) with City of ABQ (salary: \$60,673.30-\$63,772.80 annually; [deadline: TODAY 7/23](#))
- [Parks Resource Specialist](#) with Bernalillo County (salary: \$22.25-\$34.96 hourly; [deadline: 7/24](#))
- [Sr. Project Manager](#), SWCA, based in ABQ or Durango/CO, requires 8-10 years' experience (salary: \$82,992-\$126,672)
- AZ Dept of Environmental Quality is seeking an [Environmental Science Specialist](#) based in Phoenix (\$45K-65K annually)
- Pheasants Forever is hiring multiple biologist positions, including two TX-based positions based in [Benavides](#) and [Edna](#) (salary: \$45K-\$60K annually)
- [Sr. Consultant](#), Water Resources Engineering, WSP in ABQ for candidates with 5-7 years' experience
- [Paramedics](#), regular/full-time positions with AMR in Las Vegas, NM for applicants with current state Paramedics License (\$7,500 sign on bonus)
- Santa Fe-based [Asst. Nurse Manager - OR](#) at Presbyterian for applicants with one year experience (salary: \$40.08-\$61.19 p/hr)
- Full-time, in-patient [Physical Therapist](#) based in Santa Fe at Christus Heath



## ➤➤➤ Funding & Scholarship Opportunities:

In an era of how to do the work with diminishing funding resources, here are recently announced opportunities to boost/bridge funding for your work:

- USDA's [Rural Community Development Initiative](#) (deadline: 8/7), up to \$1M (50% federal + 50% NM Match fund); up to 3 years of support to deliver technical assistance to rural communities
- NEW NOFO: Bureau of Land Reclamation's [Small Surface Water and Groundwater Storage](#)
- REMINDER: National Forest Foundation [Community Partnership](#) grants are due Aug 1 (\$10K-\$75K); tribal applicants can submit grants by Aug 22 deadline

## ➤➤➤ LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES & WEBINARS

- July 25-27 [Valles Caldera celebrates its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary](#) with a suite of activities, guest speakers, and ranger-guided programming
- July 26, 9 AM-1 PM Watershed Revival Post-fire Tour with Hermit's Peak Watershed Alliance, meet at Sapello's Midway gas station
- July 26, 9-11 AM [Butterfly Walk](#) from the Los Alamos Nature Center
- July 26, 10 AM-2 PM, Isleta Pueblo Environmental Fair at Isleta Recreation Center (60 Tribal Rd 40, Isleta NM 87022)
- July 30, 11 AM-12 noon webinar [Extreme Heat & Workforce Health: Navigating Policy & Preparedness](#)
- July 30, 12-130 PM webinar [Sharing Impact & Value: Strategic Communication for Government Workers](#)
- July 30, 6-8 PM, NM Land Conservancy in Santa Fe hybrid talk on [The Croak in the Cattle Tank](#) – the History and Future of Bullfrogs in the American West
- Aug. 3, 7-10 AM [Bird walk in Los Luceros](#) with birding guides Mary Parsaca and Mary Orr
- Aug 5 @ 12 Noon webinar [Tribal Climate Resilience](#)
- Aug. 14, 10 AM – 12 Noon, webinar [Seed and Soils](#) for educators, librarians, out-of-school providers with Explora and Sandia National Labs

## ELLOWSHIPS FOR LAID OFF FEDERAL WORKERS

- [Civil Service Defense & Innovation Fellow](#) - deadline [THIS FRIDAY \(7/25\)](#), Sept 2025-Sept 2026, \$100K stipend
- Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government is offering 50 fully-funded [American Service Fellowships](#) for one-year Master's program (Fall 2026 start date)
- Georgetown Univ. Tech & Society and Federation of American Scientist launches [Federal Alumni Fellows and Digital Service Alumni Fellows](#)
- Tuition assistance for graduate programs at [Georgetown](#) and [George Washington Univ.](#)



## LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES & WEBINARS (CONT.)

- Aug. 11-15, Plant Associations of Southwestern Forests, at Phimont Scout Ranch in Cimarron
  - Open to anyone but targeted towards natural resource professionals
  - There is no course fee but participants must cover their own transportation, lodging (if applicable), meals and course materials
  - Course is capped at 25 ppl; first-come, first-serve
  - Sign up with Mary Stuever, [mary.stuever@emnrd.nm.gov](mailto:mary.stuever@emnrd.nm.gov) (include name, email, phone number, job title, affiliation and address). US Forest Service employees should cc: [jamesyoutz@usda.gov](mailto:jamesyoutz@usda.gov)
- Aug 15-16, [Rancher Led Grazing Management & Prescribed Burn](#) workshop in Santa Rosa, NM
- Aug. 16, 930 AM & 1 PM for a once-a-year [First Fort and Arsenal Tours](#) with Ft. Union National Monument; free two-hour program on living history and historic weapons

### MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR NMHU COMMUNITY

- CARES Counseling: [cares@nmhu.edu](mailto:cares@nmhu.edu) | 505-454-3006
- After-Hours Crisis Line (Available 24/7): 505-795-3665
- Student Health Clinic (Medical & Mental Health Services - Sunrise Clinic): 505-454-3218, 901 Baca Ave, Las Vegas

### MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR ALL

- [NM Crisis & Access Line](#):  
1-855-662-7474 (855-NMCRISIS);
- Peer-to-Peer Warmline is free and confidential service with a NM Certified Peer Support Worker;  
7-1130 AM & 6-11 PM daily (1-855-466-7100)
- Suicide & Crisis Lifeline (Call or Text 988): [988lifeline.org](https://988lifeline.org)

## RESOURCES

Check out these resources from AARP on sharpening your [skills for the job market](#)

## FAQS FOR THE NEAR-TERM

- White House to [roll back protections for nearly 60 million acres](#) of national forests
- Mass layoffs can move forward, with [devastating impacts for conservation and science](#)
- Some agencies face [significant budget cuts under House appropriations](#) package
- Call for investigation into [federal workers' compensation](#) program
- Amid ongoing federal layoffs, new fellowship offer [opportunities for affected employees](#)
- [NM Unemployment](#)

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