



Nova Scotia Youth Conservation Corps

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Employment Opportunity – Summer Support Staff

Duration of Employment: May 5th 2008 – August 29th 2008
Employment Location: 5151 Terminal Road, Halifax

The Program: The Nova Scotia Youth Conservation Corps (NSYCC), a program of Nova Scotia Environment and Labour, was established in 1989. The NSYCC's mandate is to provide Nova Scotian youth age 17-24 with training and employment opportunities in the environmental field, while providing services to communities in Nova Scotia for the enhancement of the local environment. The NSYCC provides Nova Scotian youth with environmental work experience, an enhanced appreciation of the environment and their community, and develops skills for life-long learning (including team-building and leadership skills, increased knowledge for future employment and/or education ventures, program evaluation techniques, and the ability to give back to their community and their environment).

Duties: The Support Staff is responsible for coordinating and facilitating community partner meetings; recruiting, hiring, and training NSYCC crews across Nova Scotia; organizing a provincial youth training camp; providing administrative support to the NSYCC community partners; monitoring and assessing crew progress; conducting project site visits; collaborating on a daily basis with a three-person team; being a responsible steward of the environment; and assessing possible funding and partnership ventures. This is a busy job which requires a lot of energy and a vested interest in youth, communities, and the environment of Nova Scotia. The Support Staff must be willing to travel to various communities in the province. The Support Staff reports directly to the NSYCC Coordinator.

Qualifications: The ideal candidate will be a resident of Nova Scotia aged 17-24. The candidate should have:

- previous supervisory experience and involvement in working in a team environment
- an understanding of local and global environmental issues
- familiarity with communities across Nova Scotia
- excellent verbal and written communication skills
- excellent organizational skills, practical problem-solving skills, and an ability to work with minimal supervision or direction
- lots of enthusiasm, creativity, and a vested interest in the environment
- a valid driver's license

Wages: \$10.50 per hour (under review)

Application Procedure: Please send a resume with a cover letter to: Helen Smith, NSYCC, Nova Scotia Environment and Labour, 5151 Terminal Road, 5th Floor, PO Box 697, Halifax, NS B3J 2T8,

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Applications must be received in Halifax by **4:30 pm March 15th 2008**.
Please note that this position is dependant on confirmation of NSYCC's 2008 program funding.