

Gateway Cities May 7, 2008



# **CONSERVATION CORPS OF LONG BEACH**

 Founded in 1987 by triad of Public, Private and Non-profit communities to provide:

> Youth Employment Conservation Project Recycling Education



# **CONSERVATION CORPS OF LONG BEACH**

- A 501 (c)(3) Non-profit corporation
- Governed by a Board of Directors made up of community leaders
- Led by an Executive Director/CEO Mike Bassett
- Chair of the Board

Larry Forester, Signal Hill Councilmember

## Authority/Certification/Recognitions

- The CCLB is certified annually by the State of California (CCC).
- Only Certified Corps are eligible for Bottle Bill funding.
- Local Community Conservation Corps are written into State Public Resources Code.
- Because employment of youth "at-risk" is under the laws relating to "cooperative agreements" no bids are required to use "Certified" Corps.

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- Recognized as an ECO Corps (Excellence in Corps Operations) by National Association called "The Corps Network."
- Recipient of the PEPNet (Promising and Effective Practices Network), a joint recognition by NYEC (National Youth Employment Coalition) and the U.S. Dept. of Labor.

Only 92 have been awarded among all Job Corps, WIA Boards, Youthbuild sites, Service Corps and Conservation Corps.

# Area of Service

- Greater Long Beach area
- Gateway Cities mostly covered by the CCLB – a few by LACC, also a Certified Corps
- Total of 47

   cities/communities
   considered our service
   area



#### Value to Cities

- Work experience for most "at-risk" population 18-25 year olds Low Income High-school drop outs (85-90%)
- Operate a Charter School to complete High-School
- Available workforce for multiple assignments without replacing FT employees.
- Addresses spikes in need of Cities for labor.
- Come with Supervision and can take variety of assignments.
- Cost Effective
- No-bid requirements
- Mobile
- Emergency assistance
- Recycling
- Spacial Evante

#### **Cities/Organizations Served**

- \* Long Beach
  \* Compton
  \* Signal Hill
  \* Norwalk
  \* Southgate
  \* Lynwood
  \* SCE
  \* Pike Properties
  \* Bixby Land
  \* Vector Control
  \* Laguna Canyon Fire
  \* Northridge Earthquake
  \* Medfly Infestation
  \* WEER
- \* Governor's Energy Conservation



# **Sample Projects**









# Bixby Knolls Corried



## Litter and Weed Abatement







#### In the cities of Carson, Norwalk and Signal Hill





# **Officially Support/Endorse the CCLB and other Certified Corps**

### **How to Contact Us**



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