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## Veterans Fire Corps 2013



### Black Hills National Forest, SD - Coconino National Forest, AZ Prescott National Forest, AZ

**Veterans Fire Corps** provides recent-era Veterans with the training, credentials and experience they need to competitively pursue wildland fire and/or forestry careers. Projects include fuels reduction, fire effects monitoring, FIREWISE educational outreach, participation in prescribed fires, and pre-fire preparation of burn units.

This position offers a variety of field work, including gathering field data in forest settings, navigating plots with GPS hardware, and managing the FEAT/FIREMON Integrated database. Typical hitches may include up to 4 consecutive 10-hour days with 3 days off. Position involves long hours in the field serving in all weather conditions and in rough terrain.

Training and education are key components to this program, including:

- Wildland Fire Chainsaws
- Standards for Survival
- Basic Wildland Firefighter
- Human Factors on the Fireline
- Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior
- Introduction to the National Incident Management System
- Introduction to Incident Command System
- Wilderness First Aid and CPR

To apply: Go to [thesca.org](http://thesca.org) and click "Sign Up"

For info and fee waiver call 603-543-1700 Ext 1499 or email [SCArecruiting@thesca.org](mailto:SCArecruiting@thesca.org) subject Veterans Fire Corps.

#### Program Dates:

**September 3 - November 26, 2013**

Benefits include housing, transportation, a living allowance of \$280/week and eligibility for an AmeriCorps education award.

#### Requirements

US Military Veteran; DD214 form indicating Honorable Discharge or General Discharge (under Honorable conditions); Members will be required to pass the Work Capacity (Pack) Test at the "arduous" level. The Pack Test consists of completing a 3-mile hike with 45-pound pack in 45 minutes. Members of this program must also have a valid driver's license, successfully pass both a vehicle and criminal background check, and be comfortable and willing to live and serve with veterans from all branches of service.