

The LA Conservation Corps Celebrates Completion of 25th Environmental Workforce Job Development Training Cohort .

Over a 12 year period, more than 500 trainees have successfully completed \$1.7MM environmental workforce job development training funded by the EPA.

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Since 2005, the LA Conservation Corps has received \$1.7MM in grants from the EPA for this program. Prior to the current training class, the Corps trained 516 individuals through the EPA-funded Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training (EWJDT) program. Students graduating through the Corps' program have a 78% job placement rate thanks to the Corps' rigorous training that meet specific labor market demands. Students earn valuable, professional certifications including HAZWOPER (Hazardous Waste Operations & Emergency Response), Lead, Mold, OSHA 10 and Asbestos. Underutilized, potentially contaminated properties are known as "brownfields." EPA provides grant funding to train adults in the safe handling and cleanup of contaminated properties, as well as sustainable redevelopment.

The Corps' current class of EWDJT graduates will enjoy commencement on Wednesday, October 18 from 10:30-11:30am at the LA Conservation Corps Northeast LA Site located at 1400 N. Spring Street, LA 90012.

Alexis Strauss, the acting Regional Administrator of EPA's Pacific Southwest Region (Region 9) will be in attendance to present certificates of completion for this milestone training.

[Wendy Butts](#), the CEO of the LA Conservation Corps stated: "We are grateful for the EPA's continued support of the Corps, and their commitment to funding training for our young adults who face a wide range of barriers to employment. This training provides solid job opportunities in a growing field, but also allows Corpsmembers to continue their work of positively impacting communities."



The EPA assisted in trying the LA Conservation Corps for projects like this.

About the LA Conservation Corps

The LA Conservation Corps is an environmentally-focused youth development organization. We transform the lives of youth from disadvantaged communities through work and education. Work projects improve the quality of life for our communities and protect the environment for future generations.

Websites:

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<https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/types-brownfields-grant-funding>

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