

## Conservation Corps Accomplishments Report 2015

The Forest Preserves of Cook County (FPCC) provides paid employment for youth and adults from across Cook County through our Conservation Corps (CC) Programs. CC participants gain the technical and leadership skills to pursue a career in conservation while doing critical work that restores FPCC lands to ecological health. Participants learn how to identify native plants, remove invasive species, assist FPCC staff with prescribed burns, and collect and plant native seeds. The important work of the CC ensures FPCC lands will be healthy places for people, plants, and wildlife - now and into the future.

178
CORPS PARTICIPANTS

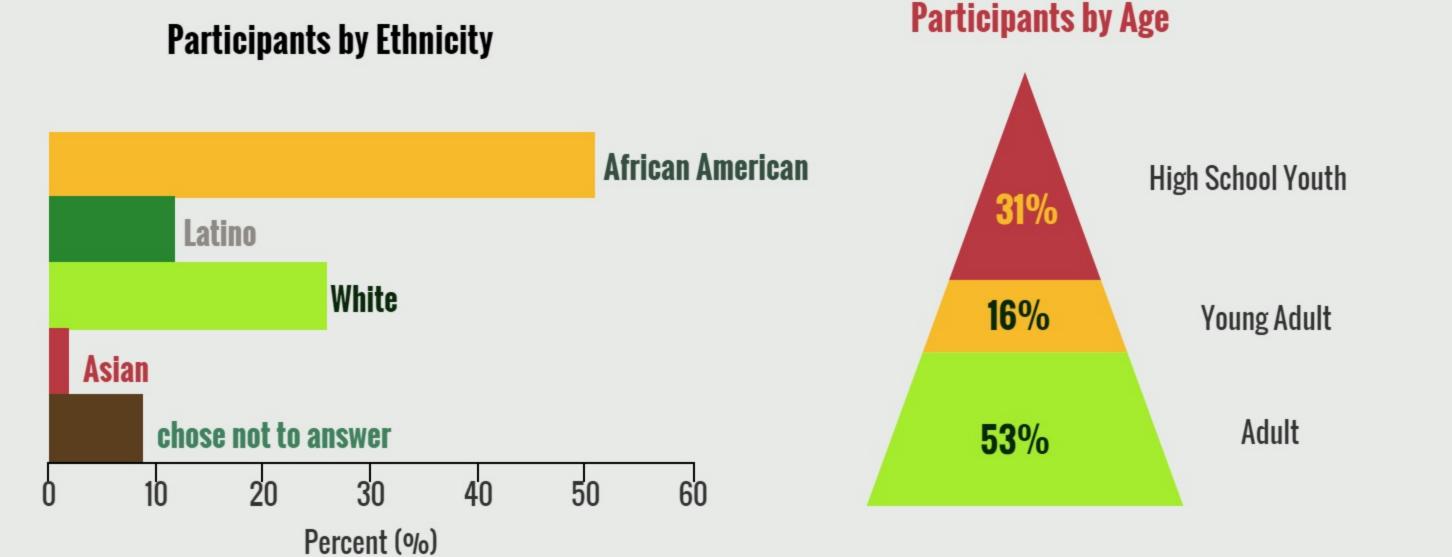
48,329
CORPS SERVICE HOURS

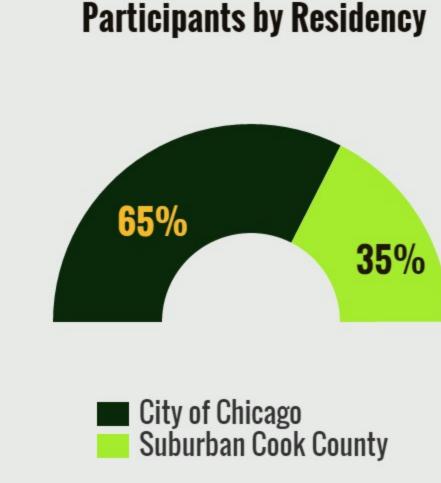
2,213
ACRES BURNED

4,087
ACRES MANAGED

85 SITES

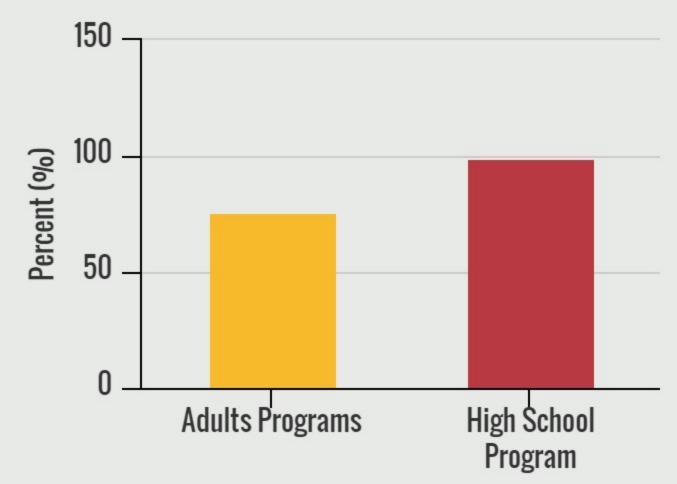
### **CONSERVATION CORPS DEMOGRAPHICS**



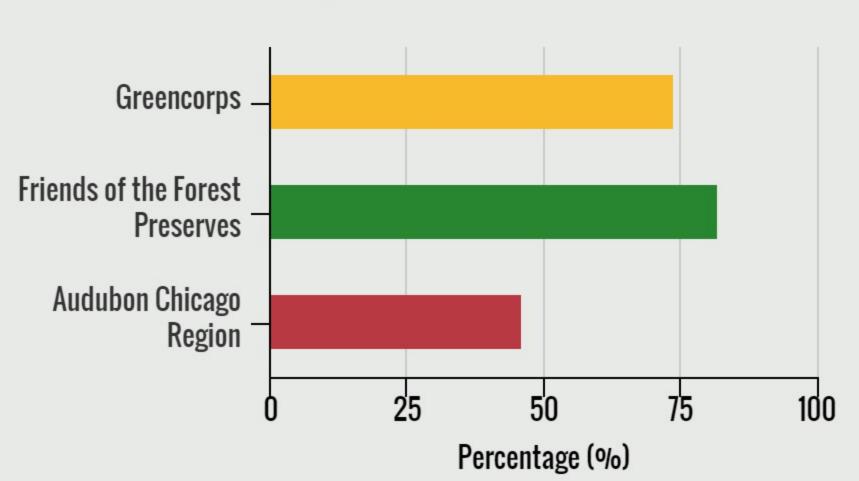


### PARTICIPANT RETENTION & POST-CORPS JOB TRACKING

# **Program Retention Rates**



#### Adult Programs: Job Placement Post Graduation\*



\*Greencorps tracks employment for one year Friends of the Forest Preserves and Audubon track employment for 60 days

#### WHERE THEY ARE NOW



Henri Jordan, Chicago 2015 Corps Alumni - Resource Technician, Forest Preserves of Cook County



Place holder - getting details on hire



Jesse Hernandez, Chicago 2015 Corps Alumni - Resource Technician, Pizzo & Associates











