

ADULT SERVICES

CRP Crew

The mission of CRP crew operation is to offer an alternative to adult incarceration, to reduce jail overcrowding in Santa Cruz County, and to reconnect people back into their community in a productive manner. The program is a result of a partnership between the Courts, the Probation Department, County Parks, Open Spaces and Cultural Services Department, and the Community Action Board. Our mission is guided by the concepts of restorative justice and environmental restoration.

NREP Crew Natural Resources and Employment Program

NREP provides employment through paid work experience and training for low-income Santa Cruz County residents through environmental restoration projects. This is a six-month on-the-job training program for adult residents with few or no skills. Job placement service is also available for participants on completion of the program.



CRP's Mission

The Community Restoration Project (CRP) is committed to fighting poverty by connecting people and the community in new and positive ways. Each person's participation is marked by our belief in their ability to reach their full potential.

Through dignity and respect, CRP builds healthy relationships.

We:

- ❖ Build competency and improve job readiness in individuals by working together on community restoration projects.
- ❖ Support participants in community re-entry through mentorship, a case management system, and advocacy.
- ❖ Strengthen communities and the individuals in them through advocacy, involvement, and leadership.

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COMMUNITY RESTORATION PROJECT



A program providing pathways back into the community for low-income juvenile and adult offenders through employment, advocacy, mentorship, and community strengthening.

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PROGRAMS

JTMP

Job Training & Mentorship Program

A program which works with youth from several referral sources to develop job readiness, job placement, and job retention skills on a case management basis. These skills are acquired through advocacy to potential employees, Youth Employment Strategy (YES) workshops, and a Saturday crew of voluntary and probation referred youth who conduct community restoration projects countrywide.

The goal of the JTMP is to provide employers with well-trained and work-ready youth ages 14-19 to available positions while fostering a relationship based on responsibility, trust and friendship between the employer and the employed youth.

Through ongoing support services, CRP staff ensures the success of all participants and facilitate the development of the mentoring relationship

Sueños Collaborative (WIA)

CRP along with Career Works, Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and Your Future is Our Business, provide a full menu of workforce development services for WIA eligible youth in the Watsonville zip codes of 95076, 95077, and 95019. Services include: job search, resume development, work base math and reading skills tutoring, career exploration activities, mentoring, youth leadership activities, and school-to-career guidance counseling.

JJCPA

Juvenile Justice and Crime Prevention Act

Through Saturday work crews that operate three Saturdays a month, youth perform maintenance and restoration projects in their communities. Youth are referred through Neighborhood Accountability Boards (NABs) and Probation. The work locations rotate each Saturday between San Lorenzo Valley, Live Oak, and Watsonville in accordance with where the youth on the crew live.

Evening Center Program

In collaboration with County Probation, Children's Mental Health, and the County Alcohol and Drug Program, the Evening Center provides an alternative to incarceration and is designed to give support to youth when they have problems without removing them from their home and school settings. CRP provides a weekday and a Saturday supervised work activity. The program also provides job readiness assistance for participants in the transition out of the program upon completion.

R.E.A.L.

Reforming Education, Advocating for Leadership

REAL is a youth leadership group formed by youth for youth to inspire powerful, young people in their communities to meet with and successfully overcome challenges in their lives. Their mission is to provide a voice for youth where they are often under-represented and inspire and motivate greater community involvement.

Weekend Work Program

The weekend work program is for youth offenders referred by the Santa Cruz County Probation Department as an alternative to detention in the Juvenile Hall. The work crew consists of up to nine youths. Supervision is provided by two adults, one Crew Supervisor and an assistant.

The long term goal of WWPP is to create positive behavior changes in participants by developing a sense of purpose, accomplishments, and accountability. WWPP achieves this goal by involving the youths in the completion of public projects that improve their community and are recognized by others.

Work projects include:

- Revegetation
- Exotic plant removal
- Flood control
- Storm clean-up
- Litter abatement
- Graffiti removal
- Drainage maintenance
- Erosion control
- Indoor and outdoor painting