Become an Earth Team volunteer!

• Learn about conservation and agriculture.
• Give back to your community.
• Gain experience in field or office work.
• Create opportunities for academic credit.
• Have fun!

How to volunteer for the NRCS Earth Team

email: nrcsdistributioncenter@ia.usda.gov
call: 1-888-526-3227
How do you join?
Earth Team members can volunteer at more than 3,000 locations across the nation. Locate an office near you to apply. NRCS staff accepts applications continuously.

Who can volunteer?
You must be 14 years of age or older and interested in protecting natural resources. You can work in an NRCS office or outdoors.

What is the Earth Team?
The Earth Team is a component of the USDA’s Natural Resources Conservation Service, the federal government's primary private lands conservation agency. Earth Team volunteers help NRCS fulfill its commitment to helping farmers, ranchers and private forest landowners protect and conserve our Nation’s natural resources.

Earth Team offers numerous volunteer opportunities for students, retirees, veterans and others seeking to make a difference in their communities.

What are common Earth Team activities?
Learn firsthand what NRCS does to help farmers and ranchers protect and enhance their natural resources. Work one-on-one with conservation professionals on private lands to plan and implement practices that will help producers stay profitable and productive for years to come.

Examples of activities include:
- Conservation planning
- Conservation implementation
- Conservation education
- Clerical services
- Outreach and communications