



Youth Conservation Corps (YCC)

Community Partnerships to Strengthen Sustainable Development (Compass) Program

What we do

Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) is a major component of USAID's Compass program, implemented by U.S. Forest Service International Programs. YCC strengthens the youth's capacity for employment and leads conservation initiatives. YCC applies a positive youth development approach to empower participants to reach their full potential and become resourceful and productive members of society. YCC participants learn through experience. They train in vocational skills, design and lead environmental stewardship actions, and intern with a local business.

Motto: Engage, Learn, Serve, Lead

Vision: Vibrant, healthy, and skilled youth acting in their communities to conserve natural resources and earn a sustainable living.

Mission: Build skill and leadership of youth to empower and improve livelihoods and be environmental stewards in their communities through experiential learning.

Our objectives



Build the capacity of youths from underserved and marginalized backgrounds by providing a 5 month residential training on Youth Leadership, Environmental Stewardship & Vocational Skills



Develop Employability Skills of Youths Based on Real-life Experience and Training by Facilitating Internships



Explore self employment & business opportunities



Foster environmental stewardship through Community-level Action Project (CAP)



Employment linkage to the YCC Graduates with the Employers

Location of Intervention



What we offer

- ✓ Five-month residential training.
- ✓ One-month internship.
- ✓ Post-graduation networking and follow-up.
- ✓ Guide to facilitate Community Action Project (CAP).



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Our participants



Underprivileged youth.

18-24 Aged between 18 – 24.



Have not completed higher secondary school.



Have not received any skills training before.

<20,000

Family monthly income less than 20,000 BDT.

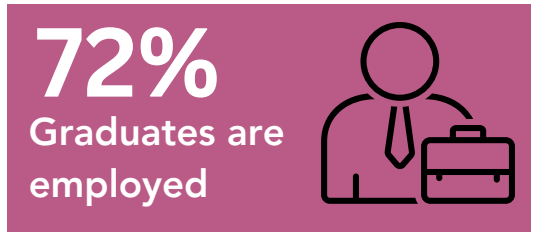
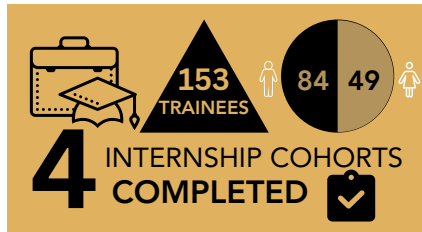
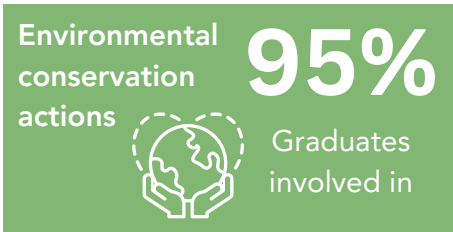
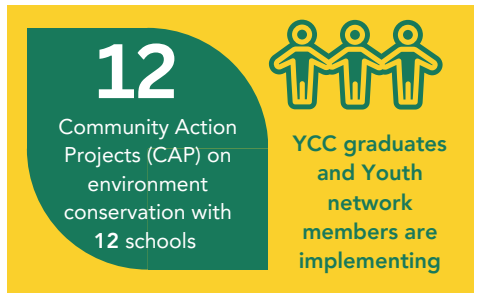
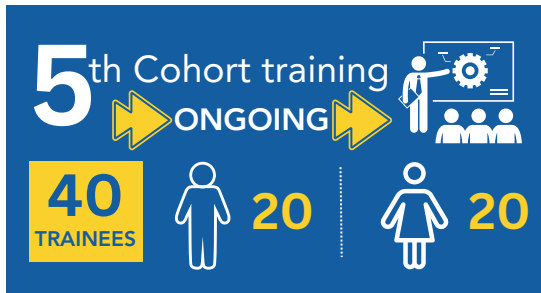
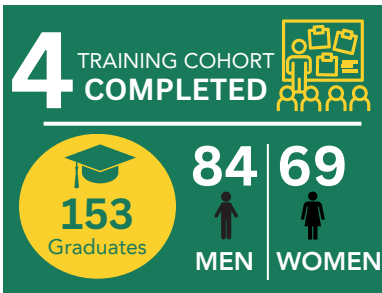


Women participants are encouraged.

Our partners



Our achievements



Stories of our graduates



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"I never thought I could be so confident to speak before you. I thank YCC for giving me the training on public speaking and leadership and creating an environment where I felt safe to speak out".

Maswe Sing Marma remembers the first few days of her YCC training. She was timid and speaking in front of people made her nervous. The day Masew Sing received her graduation certificate, she stood on the stage and shared her transformation with the audience.

Mohammad Musa leads the YCC Youth Conservation Network. He is also working as a Field Coordinator with AIT. Under his leadership, YCC Youth Network members are implementing all the community action projects in different areas of Cox's Bazar.

"It gives me great pleasure to lead my fellows and share the learning and awareness we received from the training with the children and youth of our communities".



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