







Improving Land Management through Software Integration and Community Partnerships

Best Practices from Barnstable County AmeriCorps Cape Cod -

Simplifying with Software



- ConstituentFeedback
- Event RSVPs
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- Messaging











AmeriCorps Cape Cod Our Program Structure

Focus Areas









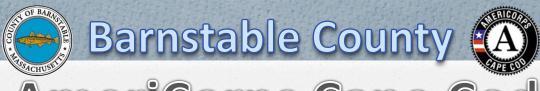


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The Members



Our 15th Corps!



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Service Partners







Individual Placements



- Utilizes 1 or 2 members, 1-2 day(s)/week
- Project-based with clear goals and objectives
- Last the duration of the service year (October-July)













Individual Placement

Timeline & Selection



AmeriCorps Cape Cod Individual Placements Request for Proposals 2013-2014





Proposals for the 2013-2014 service year are due March 15rd, 2013.

Program Introduction

On behalf of Barnstable County's AmeriCorps Cape Cod program, thank you for your support. Since 1999, the program has steadily grown, providing more than 467,000 hours of community service valued at over \$7.7 million across Cape Cod's 15 towns. The Individual Placement application is a competitive process. We have transitioned the Individual Placement process to reflect a more traditional Request for Proposals (RFP) model.

AmeriCorps Cape Cod is a fulltime residential service program dedicated to addressing the natural resource management, disaster preparedness/response, and environmental education needs of the Cape Cod community. Each year the program recruits thirty-two educated and skilled Corps Members to fill Individual Placements with public, non-profit, and community based organizations. Members serve in placements with regular guidance from a designated service partner for one or two days a week. There is no charge to the service partner nots or oparization for AmeriCorps Cape Codservices. AmeriCorps Cape Cod is a grant funded program and member allocations are contingent upon the continued support from The Corporation for National and Community Service, Massachusetts Service Alliance, Barnstable County, and Cape Cod National Seashore.

Individual Placement Guidelines

While filling out the AmeriCorps Cape Cod Individual Placement Proposal, please utilize the attached outline. While we encourage creativity with proposal development we emphasize the following guidelines:

- Please type or clearly print information and answer all sections completely (Project Narrative should be no more than 4 typed pages, double spaced, and no smaller than 10 point font)
- Print, sign and submit one original copy as well as one electronic copy emailed to moffatt@barnstablecountv.org
- Applications are due by 4pm on Friday, March 15th, 2013 (March 15, 2013 postmarks will be accepted)

Placement Criteria

Member placements must:

- Be a defined community need that is compatible with the program's identified focus areas of natural resource management, disaster preparedness/response and environmental education.
- > Be project which includes specific goals with clearly identified tasks
- > Be a new member project or an expansion of an existing project that has previously had a member
- > Provide opportunities for leadership and member development and training

- RFP Process Begins (2013-2014 Corps year)
 - RFP Release
 - RFP Distribution
 - Data collection
 - Feedback
 - Crunch data
- RFP Process Begins (2014-2015 Corps year)......









Group, COD, & FireCorps Projects





- Utilizes 7-14 members, 1-2 day(s)/week
- Project goals & tasks vary
- Accepted on rolling basis throughout service year (October-July)











Group, COD, & FireCorps Projects

Moving away from 3 ring binders......



AmeriCorps Cape Cod

Group, Community Outreach, & FireCorp Project
Request for Proposals





THE BARNSTABLE COUNTY AMERICORPS CAPE COD PROGRAM IS NOW ACCEPTING PROPOSALS FOR GROUP SERVICE PROJECTS FOR THE 2013-2014 SERVICE YEAR.

Please read through the entire RFP as it has changed since the 2012-2013 corps year!

Program Introduction

AmeriCorps Cape Cod is a fulltime residential service program dedicated to addressing the natural resource management and disaster preparedness/response needs of the Cape Codcommunity. Each year the program recruits thirty-two educated and skilled members to participate in hands on projects with public, non-profit, and community based organizations. Members come to projects fully insured and coordinated by AmeriCorps Cape Cod staff. There is no cost to the community for AmeriCorps Cape Cod services.

Project Proposal Guidelines

While filling out the AmeriCorps Cape Cod Project Proposal, please use the guidelines below to ensure your project is eligible for consideration.

Contact Information:

- A. Provide the name and contact information for the designated project coordinator. This person will be contacted for additional information and scheduling.
- B. The agency submitting the proposal must be a public, non-profit, or community-based organization.

Project Description:

- A. Projects should be described briefly and put into a larger context. How is this <u>project</u> a part of your Town or Organization's larger community plan?
- B. Projects should be broken out into individual tasks. These are the outlined tasks and goals members will be working towards on the service day(s). Tasks should be focused and tangible. Group projects can vary greatly in size and scope, allowing partnering organizations to utilize a small or large number of AmeriCorps Cape Cod members.
- C. Your project should demonstrate a natural resource management or disaster preparedness need within the community and be an opportunity for AmeriCorps Cape Cod members to meet that need.
- D. Is there an opportunity to involve additional community volunteers on this project? Projects that do allow for community volunteer involvement will be given special consideration.

Project Logistic

A. Indicate how many members you are requesting and how long you estimate needing them.













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RFP Process

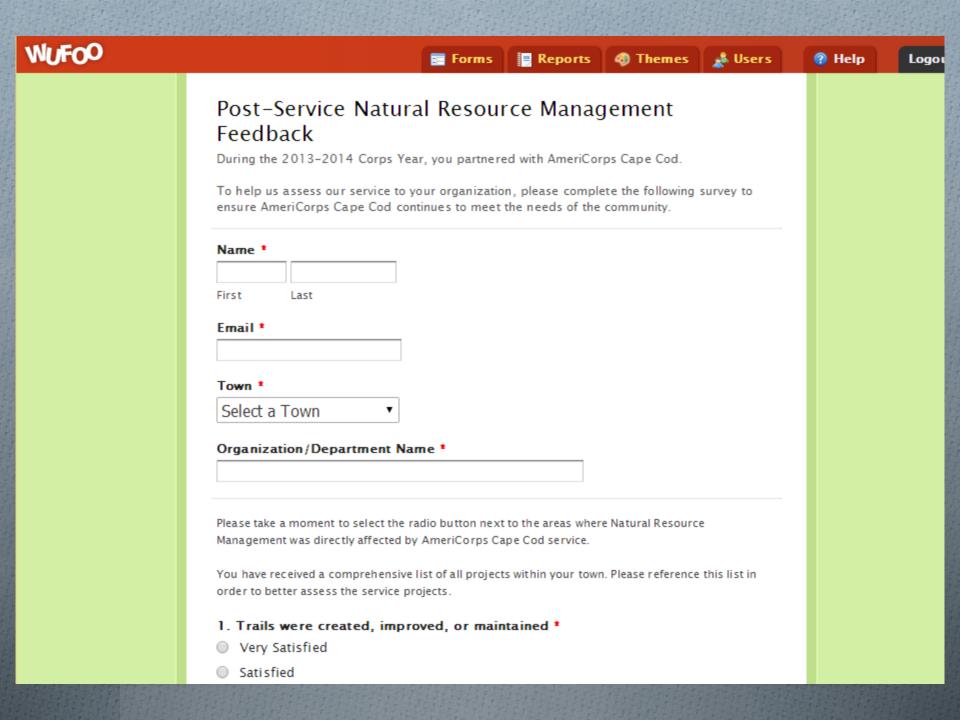


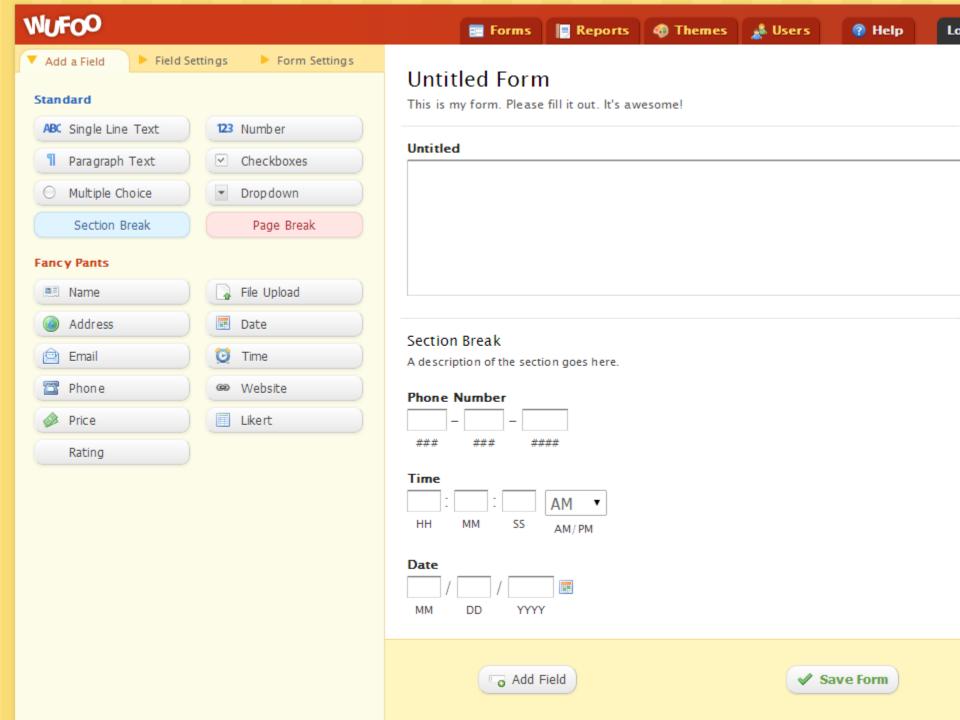


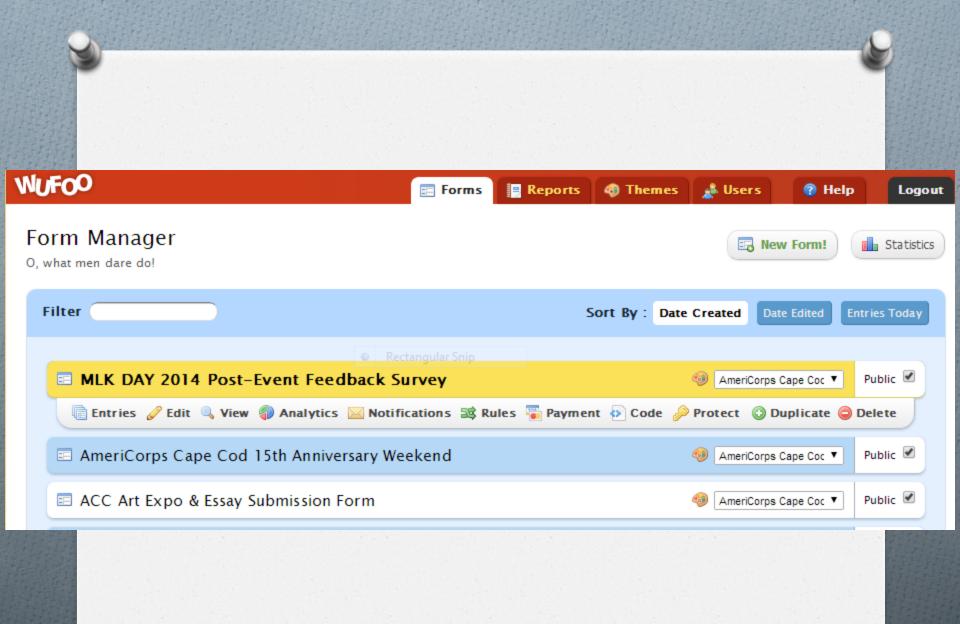


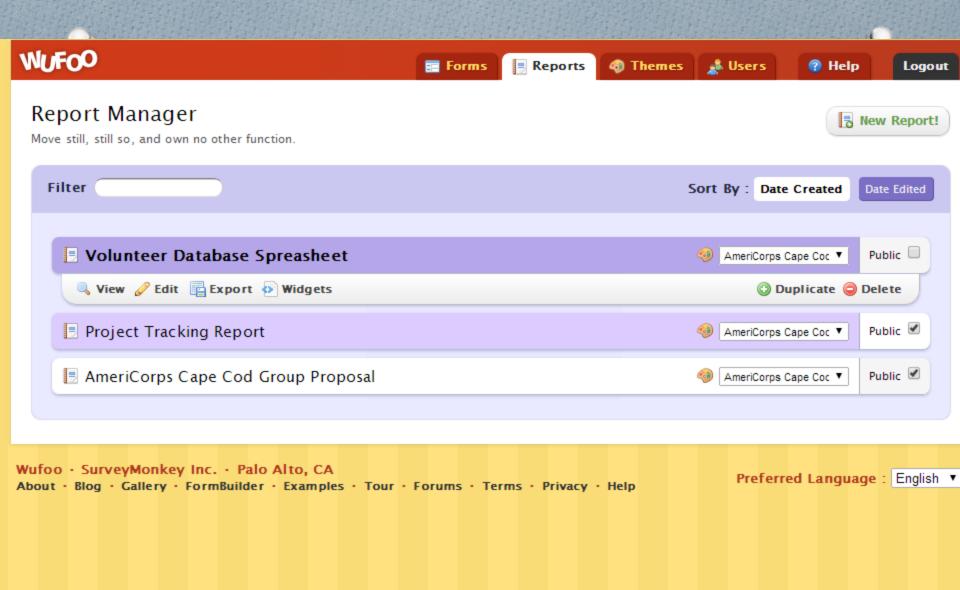














Project Tracking Report

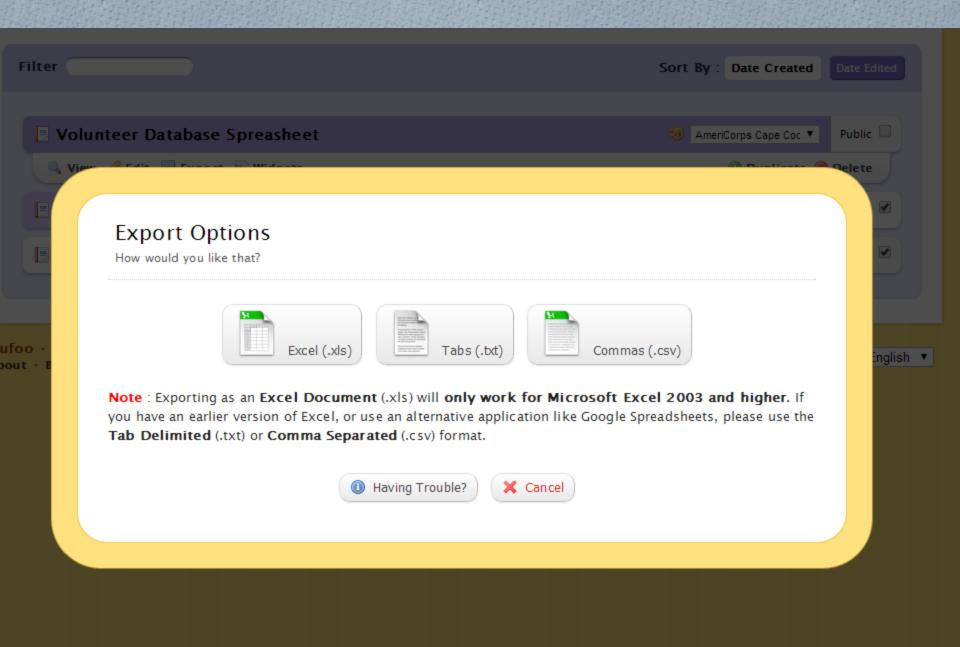
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	Start Date	End Date	Town	House(s) Serving	Total # of Members	Project Type	Project Lead	Ser	
1	Sep 30, 2013	Sep 30, 2013	Falmouth	Bourne	13	Group Service Project	Elisabeth Fifer	7.5	
2	Oct 07, 2013	Oct 07, 2013	Mashpee	Bourne	13	Group Service Project	Adam DeVito (Bourne Supervisor)	8	
3	Oct 11, 2013	Oct 11, 2013	Harwich	Bourne	12	Group Service Project	Mary Lynn Scott	7.5	

16.2

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(Program Specialist)

2	Oct 07, 2013	Oct 07, 2013	Mashpee	Bourne	13	Group Service Project	Adam DeVito (Bourne Supervi
3	Oct 11, 2013	Oct 11, 2013	Harwich	Bourne	12	Group Service Project	Mary Lynn Scot
4	Oct 18, 2013	Oct 21, 2013	Mashpee	Bourne	13	Group Service Project	Victoria Brisson
5	Oct 08, 2013	Oct 10, 2013	Dennis	COD Group	32	COD Day Project	Michael Sousa





- Dropbox Your stuff anywhere....
- Also great for sharing large files....



Uncle Harvey's Town Landing

Town of Orleans

- Forest Restoration Project
 - Invasive removal
 - Installation of native plants
- Began as Individual Placement Project
 - O Town of Orleans, Tree Department
- Group service projects and volunteer projects through COD Day (Boy Scouts, local student groups)
- Serving as a model for other conservation areas and private properties

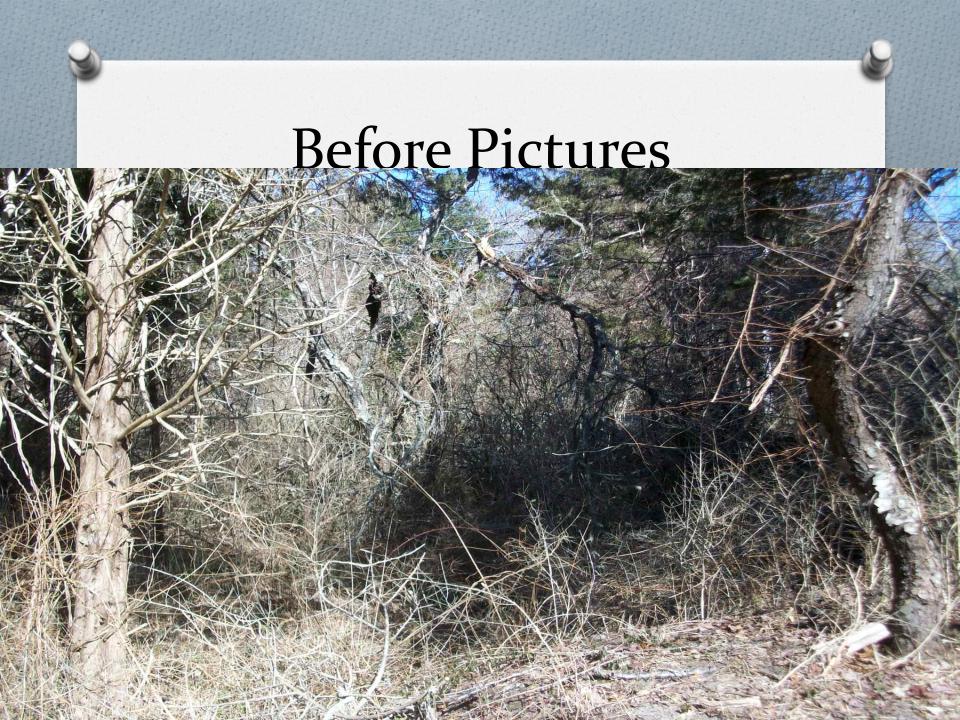






During initial site visit the site was on it's way to becoming a monoculture of nonnative plants











- AmeriCorps Week-national week to celebrate community service
- "Operation Orleans" took place May 9-13 2011
- Collaborative effort between the town of Orleans Tree Department, AmeriCorps Cape Cod, and the Orleans Conservation Trust
- 21 tons of invasive plants removed from site
- Over 600 native plants installed
- 182 students and community volunteers served with AmeriCorps and the Orleans Tree Dept.
- Over 700 hours AmeriCorps hours of service



AmeriCorps Week



AmeriCorps Week





- Do you need an easy means of tracking volunteer land management activities?
- Google Maps Acreage Calculator
- If they have a smart phone...Map-O-Meter app

