

The Green Army Programme

Participant Information Session

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The Green Army

The Green Army is a six-month programme for 17-24 year olds to train and work in the environment.

Green Army projects include restoring native vegetation, heritage restoration, protecting animal habitats and regenerating wetlands in urban, rural and remote areas.



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Applicant / Project Host



Department of the Environment



Minister for the Environment



Service Providers



Project Host



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Who can join?

The Green Army is for young Australians aged 17-24 years who want to participate in environmental projects in their local communities.

It is open to school leavers, gap year students, graduates, and job seekers.



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What's in it for you?

The Green Army is an exciting opportunity for young people to work on local environment projects, while gaining practical skills and training.

Many young people have gone on to jobs in the environment after completing a Green Army project.



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What's in it for you?

You will be paid an allowance.

You are paid an allowance during your placement in the Green Army which ranges from \$10.24 to \$16.61 an hour.

You will be involved in a project for up to 30 hours a week for a period of 20-26 weeks.



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What's in it for you?

You will get to undertake accredited training courses.

You will have the opportunity to do accredited training modules to help prepare for the workforce or improve your career opportunities.

Accredited courses you could complete include:

- Provide first aid
- Plant trees and shrubs
- Apply chemicals under supervision
- Work safely in the construction industry
- Operate basic machinery and equipment



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What's in it for you?

You will help deliver real benefits for the environment.

You'll help a nationwide effort to clean up and protect Australia's environment and lend a hand your local community.

Activities include restoring native vegetation, rejuvenating wetlands and rivers, protecting animal habitats and conserving Indigenous heritage places.



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What's in it for you?

You will be supported in a safe environment.

You will be given appropriate clothing and safety gear, including boots, trousers, hat, gloves, and shirts. Wet weather gear and jumpers or jackets for cold climates will be provided.

You will be picked up at a selected pick up point to get you to and from site and training activities.



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What will you be doing?

Project activities could include:

- Propagating and planting native seedlings
- Weed control
- Revegetation and regeneration of local parks
- Habitat protection and restoration
- Improving water quality by cleaning up waterways
- Revegetation of sand dunes and mangroves
- Creek bank regeneration
- Foreshore and beach restoration
- Constructing boardwalks and walking tracks to protect local wildlife
- Cultural heritage conservation



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What about income support?

Full-time Participants:

- Receive an allowance directly from their Green Army Service Provider
- Any income support from Centrelink is suspended, this includes the living away from home allowance.

Part-time Participants can receive the Green Army allowance or continue to receive income support.

Contact Centrelink to find out how your payments might be affected. For more information, visit

www.humanservices.gov.au/greenarmy.



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Service Providers

- Campbell Page Limited together with Skillset Limited (ACT, NSW and Qld)
- CoAct Limited (ACT, NSW, NT, Vic and WA)
- Conservation Volunteers Australia (ACT, NSW, NT, Qld, SA, Tas, Vic, WA)
- Manpower together with Landcare Australia Limited (ACT, NSW, Qld, SA, Tas, Vic, WA)
- Workskil Australia Incorporated (SA)



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How do I apply?

- Read through information provided today
- Register your interest at www.australia.gov.au/greenarmy
- Sign up with your local Service Provider
- Participants are recruited by the Service Provider through a selection process



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WANT TO KNOW MORE?

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