

# National Park Native Plant Nursery & Native Youth Partnership



# North Cascades National Park and Native Youth Partnership

- Youth for 6 weeks in 2009 and 2010
- 18 participants over the 2 years

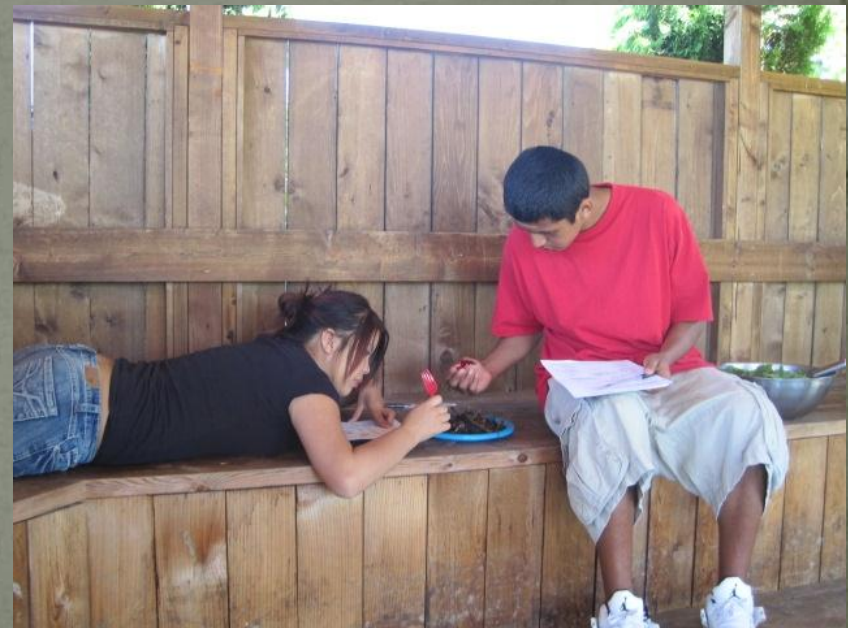


# Recycling and Composting



Youth learning about the recycling process at Skagit River Steel and Recycling

Youth investigate a plate of compost



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Youth learn about different composting methods.

Youth reflect on what they learned about composting and organic gardening.



# Organic Gardening

Youth learned to grow and maintain an organic garden



An Upper Skagit work program participant weeding in the youth garden

# Traditional Plant Uses

Native and YCC youth work with NWIC staff to make medicinal salves (they also made lotion bars, bug spray, and teas).



Native youth take a walk to learn about native plants on the North Cascades National Park complex.

# Traditional Plant Class



Native youth working with NOCA volunteers to prepare lunch for the Traditional Plant Class



A youth worker talking about her summer work experience

# Traditional Plant Class

A native youth learns how to harvest Devil's Club for traditional uses.



Youth Conservation Corps, Student Hires, and Student Conservation Association workers take a time out from learning about traditional plants as medicine.



# Running a native plant nursery



Youth learn how to do various jobs at the native plant nursery.

# Important Job skills and Experience



- Learn the value of teamwork, punctuality, follow through, and effective communication
- Exposure to the NWIC and careers within the National Park Service