

**RAVEN AmeriCorps member
Community Environmental Needs Survey Instructions**

The purpose of this survey is three fold:

- **to familiarize you and your site supervisor, with the environmental needs or challenges that are facing your community,**
- **to begin your AmeriCorps year off on the “right foot” by connecting you with members of your community,**
- **to make you aware of different projects and/or activities that the members of your community would like to see started or would be willing to participate in.**

Please bring all of your completed surveys with you to the Orientation Training, January 30-February 3, 2006. If you have any questions feel free to call Honor Carpenter at 1-800-478-7227 ext 380

INSTRUCTIONS: Please survey 10 people by contacting at least one of each of the following people in your community who are not close family members or living in your household

Elder (at least 2)

Teenage Youth (at least 2)

19-25 Year Old

Community Member that grew up there

Community Member that did not grow up there

Tribal Council Member

City Council Member

School Principal

VPO or VPSO

Explain what you will be doing as an RAVEN AmeriCorps member (i.e. improving the solid waste/recycling programs, sponsoring activities to get community members together, leading environmental and safety education events, etc.)

Ask some questions. Included are a couple of questions to get you started, but feel free to use a style that is best for you. Also, feel free to ask some of your own questions. Get creative! The results of this exercise will guide your work for the next year!

**At the end of the discussion, ask these people if and how they will be willing to help you in your future endeavors.
Remember to bring the results of your surveys to the February Orientation Training!**

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COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL NEEDS SURVEY**

AmeriCorps Member Name: _____

Community Name: _____

Age: _____ **Gender:** ___ female ___ male

How long have you lived in the community? _____

What is your role in the community? _____

1) What are 3 things you like the most about your community?

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

2) What are three environmental issues of greatest concern facing your community?

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

3) What ideas do you have to get the whole community together? What types of environmentally oriented activities could an AmeriCorps member organize to get the whole community to volunteer and work together?

4) Please rank the knowledge and skills you think young people should have as an adult. 1 being the most important and 6 being the least important.

- _____ **Job skills**
- _____ **Parenting skills**
- _____ **Hunting and/or fishing skills**
- _____ **Education**
- _____ **Cultural Values**
- _____ **Other:** _____

5) What are the environmental issues of greatest concern impacting our youth?

6) Please describe at least two Community Environmental Projects that the AmeriCorps member could lead during his/her service that would improve a community environmental problem?

1) _____

2) _____

7) Any additional ideas?