

Dear 2024 Members and Leaders,

We're so glad you chose VYCC! VYCC is far more than work.... it's a great adventure, a challenge that sparks growth and discovery, and a true opportunity to make the world a better place. You are joining our dedication to taking action and building community by working and learning together with the land. We're thrilled to have you on our team.

As you get ready for your VYCC experience, we encourage you to think about both what you will contribute to your VYCC crew and what you want to gain from your time with VYCC. We can build on your ideas and goals as you arrive for training and make them happen together.

At VYCC, we believe that our community is strongest when it represents all people. On our crews, you will find people from a wide variety of backgrounds. This diversity is a strength and also asks each and every one of us to be our best selves.

It can be hard to work and communicate well with others who you work with every day. Committing to this and doing it well is essential and is one of the most valuable skills you will bring to your crew and future groups where you work and learn together. We find that time spent working together in the outdoors brings people together in ways we would never have imagined; we are excited that you are joining us in building community in this way.

We encourage you to lean into new challenges and experiences. Along the way, there will be long days, deep mud, hot sun and pesky bugs. And, rain. But with help from your crew and our year-round staff, you'll be able to rise to the occasion just as so many at VYCC have done before you.

Have we mentioned that we find lots of ways to have fun? #LetsDigIn!

We look forward to meeting you, and again, CONGRATULATIONS!

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