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25th Anniversary Green Team Training Camp

Corner Brook, NL – Conservation Corps Newfoundland and Labrador (CCNL) is excited to kick off its 25th Green Team season of pan-provincial youth employment. This week, the Green Team Program commences with an impressive gathering of youth for a 4 day training camp at Grenfell Campus, Memorial University, from June 27th-30th. CCNL has 17 Green Team projects this year, located in various communities from St. Anthony to Conne River to St. John's. These youth-lead projects are focused on environmental and cultural priorities, including river and fish habitat restoration, heritage preservation, trail development, and community gardening.

Megan Stuckless, Programs Manager, has high expectations for the week and summer ahead: "By bringing together Green Team participants from all regions of the province, Teams will be given the sense of being a part of something bigger! Our training allows us to equip our employees with valuable skills that will help them not only today, but in the future." She continues, "We would like to thank our many community, corporate, and government supporters that will be part of this year's program by providing important employment opportunities to youth in Newfoundland and Labrador."

Training sessions will cover occupational health and safety, first aid, environmental awareness, conflict resolution, media relations, public speaking, as well as in a variety of other useful life skills. The sessions are all designed to help Green Teams make the most of their summer work experience. CCNL's Green Team Program has proven that it offers more than just a summer job. It has provided more than 2600 young people with important skills and experiences that reach far beyond what most traditional youth employment programs offer.

This training event is using #CCNL25Years on Instagram (@ConservationCorpsNL) and Twitter (@CorpsNL) to collect photos and testimonials from all participants. Media are encouraged to follow along with this hashtag for updates and to drop by at any time to observe the training camp in action.

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Conservation Corps Newfoundland and Labrador is dedicated to providing youth with training and employment in environmental and cultural heritage conservation.