

American Trails
2015 International Trails Symposium
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Hulet Hornbeck Emerging Leaders Scholarship Program

Meet the remaining 5 young trail professionals on the waiting list!

Due to funding, we currently have only been able to fund 15 of the 20 Emerging Leaders. With your support, we hope to bring up to five more worthy recipients on the waiting list. Meet the five aspiring trail leaders (ages 19-25) whom we still hope to bring to the 2015 International Trails Symposium on scholarship.

Justin Fisch **Age: 24** **Location: Florida**

Background: Hiking Leader; National Geographic Society Intern; Apprentice with Partnership for the National Trails System; Student Conservation Association Corpsman.

Justin is interested in engaging others with his passion for preservation through effective communication. He hopes to attend the International Trails Symposium to develop his storytelling skills in order to share a compelling narrative of the importance of appreciating and preserving multiuse trails around the country.

James Nash **Age: 20** **Location: Alaska**

Background: Trail Crew Member with Student Conservation Association.

James' experience working on trails in Denali National Park has led him to aspire to leading his own trail crew in Alaska someday. For James, attending the Symposium is an opportunity to become better equipped to be a future leader. He has never travelled outside of Alaska, so he hopes to have the opportunity to learn and network in Portland.

Lesly Caballero Garcia **Age: 21** **Location: California**

Background: Latino Outdoors Regional Coordinator; US Forest Service internship; National Park Service internship; conservation and environmental education volunteer.

Since entering college, Lesly has been invested in engaging Latinos with the outdoors by interning and volunteering with numerous agencies. She hopes to pursue a career in environmental education and work to ensure everyone has the opportunity to enjoy and protect public lands. She is confident that attending the Symposium would strengthen her background in this field and help her be successful in spreading this message.

Ricky Allala **Age: 24** **Location: Washington**

Background: EarthCorps corps member and crew leader.

Ricky hopes to attend the Symposium so he can be exposed to the spectrum of trail projects, techniques, and expertise from across the country. He has been interested in trail work since his first backpacking and trail work trip with EarthCorps, and aspires to a career of trail building and maintenance in the mountains of his home state.

Bryan Struble **Age: 23** **Location: Arizona**

Background: National Park Service park aid, trail worker, trail maintenance, and crew lead.

With years of trail work and volunteer experience already under his belt, Bryan is seeking a career working toward sustainable recreation while protecting natural resources. If provided the opportunity to attend the Symposium, Bryan is eager to increase his knowledge of trail design and leadership skills so he can share his passion with others.

