

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND ADVENTURE

Want to serve your community? Want to broaden your experience or travel/volunteer abroad? Check out the following ...

AFSC American Friends Service Committee

AFSC is a long-standing organization committed to social justice, peace, and humanitarian service. They mobilize against militarism and for social justice. 415-565-0201 65 9th St, San Francisco, 94103 www.afsc.org

Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors

An organization which advises active duty soldiers and those who signed a contract with the military but wish to withdraw for reasons of philosophy and beliefs. Summer internships. Operates **GI Rights Hotline**: 800-394-9544. 405 14th St, #205, Oakland, CA 94612 510-465-1617 info@objector.org (e-mail) www.objector.org

Global Exchange -- A non-profit organization based in San Francisco which promotes international human rights, social, economic, and environmental justice. Internships are available for work in San Francisco. 415-255-7296 2017 Mission St, #303, San Francisco, CA 94110 www.globalexchange.org

Mt Diablo Peace & Justice Center, 55 Eckley Lane Walnut Creek, CA 94596. Contra Costa organization working for peace and justice since the Vietnam War. Volunteer positions available. 925-933-7850. www.mtdpc.org

US Peace Corps Government organization promoting international understanding and assistance. Information Packet. 800-424-8580. www.peacecorps.gov

“Alternatives to the Peace Corps: A Directory of Global Volunteer Opportunities. This is a thoroughly researched guide to voluntary service, study and alternative travel overseas. www.foodfirst.org

“How to Live Your Dream of Volunteering Abroad”

Highly recommended book about volunteering in other countries with a listing of over 100 volunteer organizations. www.volunteeroverseas.org



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NON-MILITARY ALTERNATIVES FOR CONTRA COSTA YOUTH



“There are many roads to a meaningful and productive life. A life without training to wage war is available to all who choose to explore their options.”

JOBS AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Americorps -- National community service. Full-time jobs with living expenses, training, medical benefits, and \$4725 toward future education for ten months of service in jobs in urban and wilderness environments. Minimum age 17. www.americorps.org
800-942-2677

Eastbay Works – Local resource providing information on available training and jobs in Contra Costa. Excellent resource!
925-671-4543. www.Eastbayworks.org

Regional Occupational Programs (ROP) – Provides training for careers in computer technology, health services and industry.
Antioch/Pitts: 925-634-3671 ext 104 Richmond area 510-758-4782
Walnut Creek/Concord. 925-942-3436

Job Corps -- Education and training program from the US Department of Labor. Provides career counseling, training, and monthly financial allowance. Ages 16-24.
Treasure Island office 415-277-2400

California Conservation Corps --Provides youth with life-skills training and job preparation working in environmental conservation, fire protection, and emergency response. Ages 18-25
800-952-5627 www.ccc.ca.gov

Apprenticeship Programs -- Union apprenticeships with training and career opportunities in carpentry, plumbing, electricity, air conditioning, etc.. Call Building Trades Council: 925-228-0900

Employment Development Department

EDD can help you explore career options, get job-ready, prepare applications and resumes, and improve your interview skills. Provides information about job openings. www.edd.ca.gov
4071 Port Chicago Hwy, #250, Concord 925-602-0869

EDUCATION – THE PATH TO SUCCESS

Community Colleges You can learn fundamentals of a skilled profession or pave the way to a four-year university. Tuition is low and financial assistance is sometimes available. You do not need a high school diploma to enroll.

Talk with the counseling departments listed below– they can help make it happen!

- **Contra Costa College (San Pablo)**

510-235-7800 (ext 7255 or 4255)
www.contracosta.edu

- **Diablo Valley College (Pleasant Hill)**

925-685-1230 (ext 2276)
www.dvc.edu/counseling

- **Los Medanos College (Pittsburg)**

925-439-2181 (ext 3334)
www.losmedanos.edu

Need help with basic reading and writing?

Call **Project Second Chance** at

Pleasant Hill 925/927-3250

Antioch 925/754-8317

This service is run by the library and is free.