



National Park Service Intermountain Regional Office



Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area Museum and Education Internship

Expected Hours and Length of Internship: 40 hours/week; 3-month (12 weeks) internship;
Timeframe: September to November 2018

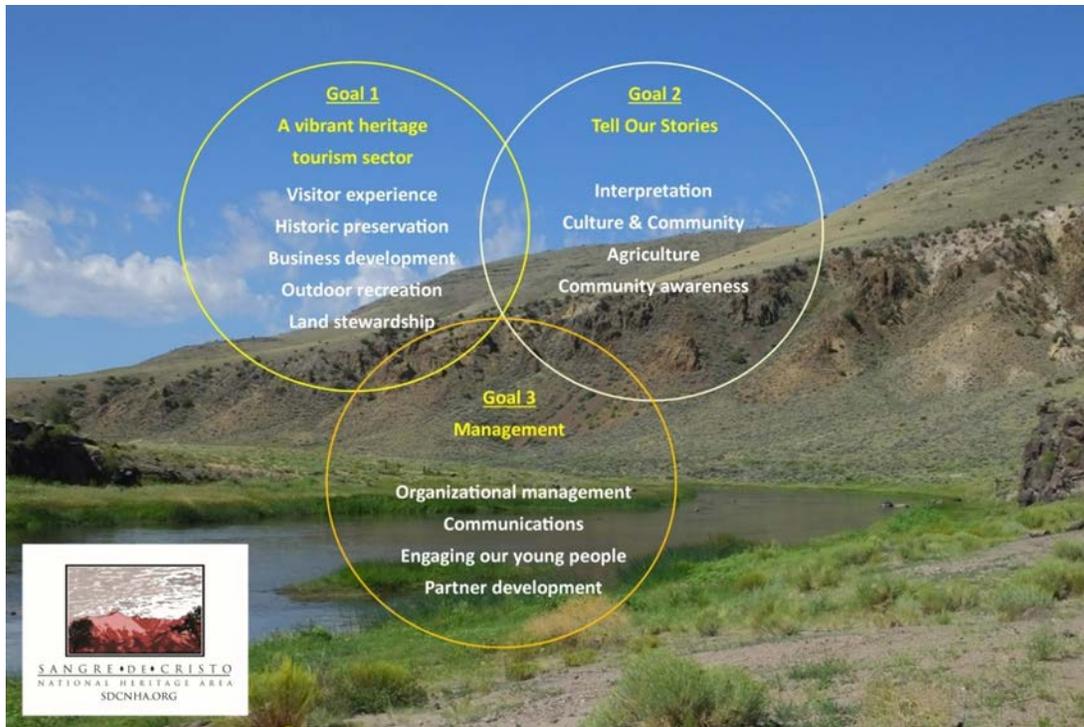
Expected Start Date: September 10th, 2018

Internship Overview:

The intern will work directly with the Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area (SdCNHA) staff in Alamosa and Antonito, Colorado. National Heritage Areas (NHA) are places where natural, cultural, historic and scenic resources combine to form a cohesive, nationally important landscape arising from human activity shaped by geography. These patterns make National Heritage Areas representative of the national experience through the physical features that remain and the traditions that have evolved in them. These areas are designated by Congress for their capacity to tell nationally important stories about our nation. The mission of the SdCNHA is to promote, preserve, protect, and interpret its profound historical, religious, environmental, geographic, geologic, cultural, and linguistic resources. These efforts will contribute to the overall national story, engender a spirit of pride and self-reliance, and create a legacy in the Colorado counties of Alamosa, Conejos and Costilla.

The intern will assist the SdCNHA staff to review and research provenance documentation on existing artifacts, create an artifact inventory, develop a filing system for museum documentation, and update two exhibits at the Conejos County Museum and Visitor Center. In addition, this internship will allow the SdCNHA to further develop the Youth Ambassador Program and tie the program into the work of the SdCNHA and the museum.

More information on the goals of the heritage area is found below:



Qualifications:

- Must be a graduate level student or recent graduate at an accredited university or college
- Degree or coursework must be related to history or museum studies, including but not limited to Curation, public history, history, anthropology, history education, or museum studies
- Must be 18-35 years of age; under the age of 26 to qualify for the AmeriCorps Segal Education Award
- Must be able to pass a general background check
- Must possess a valid Driver’s License and have a clean driving record
- Knowledge using historic research techniques and basic museum/artifact curation and inventory techniques
- Adept at writing and possess public speaking skills - Experience using MS Office programs – PowerPoint, Word, Excel

Location of Internship:

The internship will be located in Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area in Alamosa and Antonito, Colorado.

Compensation:

This is a paid internship with a weekly stipend of \$549 for full-time work for 12 weeks. By the end of the internship, the intern will receive an education award (if under the age of 26 and completing the required hours) and will have noncompetitive federal hiring status under the

Public Land Corps Authority. Professional development funding will also be made available for training opportunities or conference attendance during the internship, if desired.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates may submit applications to Alexandra Hernandez, Regional National Heritage Areas Coordinator, at Alexandra_hernandez@nps.gov. Applications must include a cover letter, résumé, and 2-3 references. **Applications are due Monday, August 20th, 2018.**

Additional information about the programs can be found by visiting the following websites:

National Heritage Areas Program: www.nps.gov/heritageareas

Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area: www.sdcnha.org