#### Sierra Service Project Explore. Build. Grow.



SSP has been providing life-changing service experiences for young people since 1975. We invite middle and high school youth and adult volunteers to experience the profound power of serving people with a culture and life experience different from their own.



Each summer, approximately 1,500 teenagers, 250 adult volunteers and over 40 paid summer staff live, worship, and work together on 5 different project sites throughout the Western United States.

Together, their work results in over 130 safer, drier and more comfortable homes.



# Some of our projects take place on Native American reservations.

## We also operate in other rural, as well as urban, locations.



- Communities host SSP groups in schools, churches, and community centers.
- These buildings are transformed into our homes where we eat, sleep, play, learn, and worship for the summer.



Several youth groups, typically from churches, meet at each site to form a community of about 60 people each week.



Youth and adult counselors spend their days doing home repair projects.

- We do interior and exterior painting
- We put on new roofs







- We do drywall
- We do floors and ceilings
- We build porches, stairs and wheelchair ramps





#### No experience needed!

#### You'll be amazed at what can happen in a week!

- Evenings are for showers, free time, singing, celebrating the work of the day, meaningful programs, and worship.
- Nights are for good sleep!





## SSP is about building!

SSP has its share of pounding nails, painting walls, cutting wood, and digging holes...but that's only a part of the SSP experience!



## SSP is about building relationships!

Relationships with...
Our host communities
The homeowners we serve
Youth and adults from other groups
Young adult role models
God
Ourselves

## **Host Communities**

We typically complete over 100 projects each summer and touch hundreds of lives!



## Individual homeowners

#### We work with almost 70 homeowners each summer!





## **Youth Groups**

#### Over 120 youth groups participate each summer.



## Young adult leaders

A staff of seven young adults coordinates all aspects of the program – food, construction, group building activities, and worship.



## **Building relationships with God**

Nightly worship, early morning spiritual awakenings, discussions with work teams programs and time alone offer daily opportunities to contemplate life and explore personal spirituality.



# Building better relationships with ourselves!

- Getting in touch with where God lives in us
- Taking a closer look at our lives to discover our self worth





## A week at SSP gives youth a better understanding of their potential to change the world!





## **SSP** is all about building!

Building homes, communities, bridges between people, and a relationship with God.



## Join us in building!





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