

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, is entered into this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2004, by and between the State of Illinois, acting through the Department of Human Services and hereinafter called the "State" and Youth Conservation Corps.

**WITNESSETH**

WHEREAS, the State has the duty to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services helps Illinois families achieve self-sufficiency, independence and health to the maximum extent possible and improves the quality of life of thousands of Illinois families by providing an array of comprehensive, coordinated services; and

WHEREAS, Youth Conservation Corps is an organization with the mission of providing development of youth and young adults into productive citizens, working, participating and living in Lake County, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the parties shall enter into a grant or award agreement, to be effective for fiscal year 2005 and subject to compliance with all applicable State law and necessary certifications, on the basis of the following terms, among others:

The State will agree:

1. To provide \$23,000 in State funding for the Youth Conservation Corps Program and the high school participants in this program that will work in the Lake County Forest Preserves completing conservation, small construction and maintenance projects;

The Youth Conservation Corps will agree:

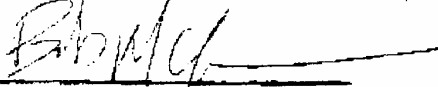
2. To meet all duties and obligations imposed by state law respecting non-federal-aid projects;
3. To promptly pay all contractors engaged on projects undertaken pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding;
4. To assume the responsibility for the Youth Conservation Corps Program; and

The parties will mutually agree:

5. That, with respect to the State funding, project initiation will be the responsibility of Youth Conservation Corps and to be coordinated with the State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, State and the Youth Conservation Corps have caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be executed by their authorized representatives on the 29<sup>th</sup> Day of July, 2004.

FOR YOUTH CONSERVATION CORPS, INC.:



Bob McCannon  
Executive Director

FOR THE STATE:



Carol L. Adams  
Secretary  
Department of Human Services