The “M” Word
Looking for Pieces to the Puzzle

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• Who/What is the LA Conservation Corps?
  – 501(c)(3) private non-profit organization founded in 1986
  – National leader in workforce development & alternative education for inner-city youth/young adults
  – Largest urban conservation corps in the nation
  – Part of larger youth service and conservation corps movement—The Corps Network
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The primary mission of the LA Conservation Corps is to provide at-risk young adults and school-aged youth with opportunities for success through job skills training, education and work experience with emphasis on conservation and service projects that benefit the community.
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• How does the LA Conservation Corps serve?
  – 9,000 14 to 25 year olds participate in our programs annually
  – 500 Youth per Day
  – Youth participate in one
    or more of the following
    programs:
    • Conservation Programs
    • Education Programs
    • Support Services
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Pathways
- Urban Forestry & Community Gardens
- Energy Efficiency & Water Conservation
- Urban Park Construction & Maintenance
- Environmental Education & Interpretation
- Natural Lands Management & Habitat Restoration
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• It’s easy to build, hard to maintain
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Maintenance & Operations: Who, How, How Much?

– Contract Maintenance

– Workforce Investment / Job Training

– Community & Corporate Volunteer Assistance

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• Contracted Services
  – City
  – Neighborhood Councils
  – Built-in landscape establishment
  – BIDs
  – Private Funding
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Workforce Investment / Job Training

– DOL
– ARRA
– EPA
– WIA
– Private
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Community & Corporate Volunteers

- Church groups
- Scouts
- Boeing
- Sony
- SCE
- Budweiser
- Fed Ex
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Sample Projects
Alley Restoration
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Sample Projects
Pickens Park / Before
Sample Projects
Pickens Park / After

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