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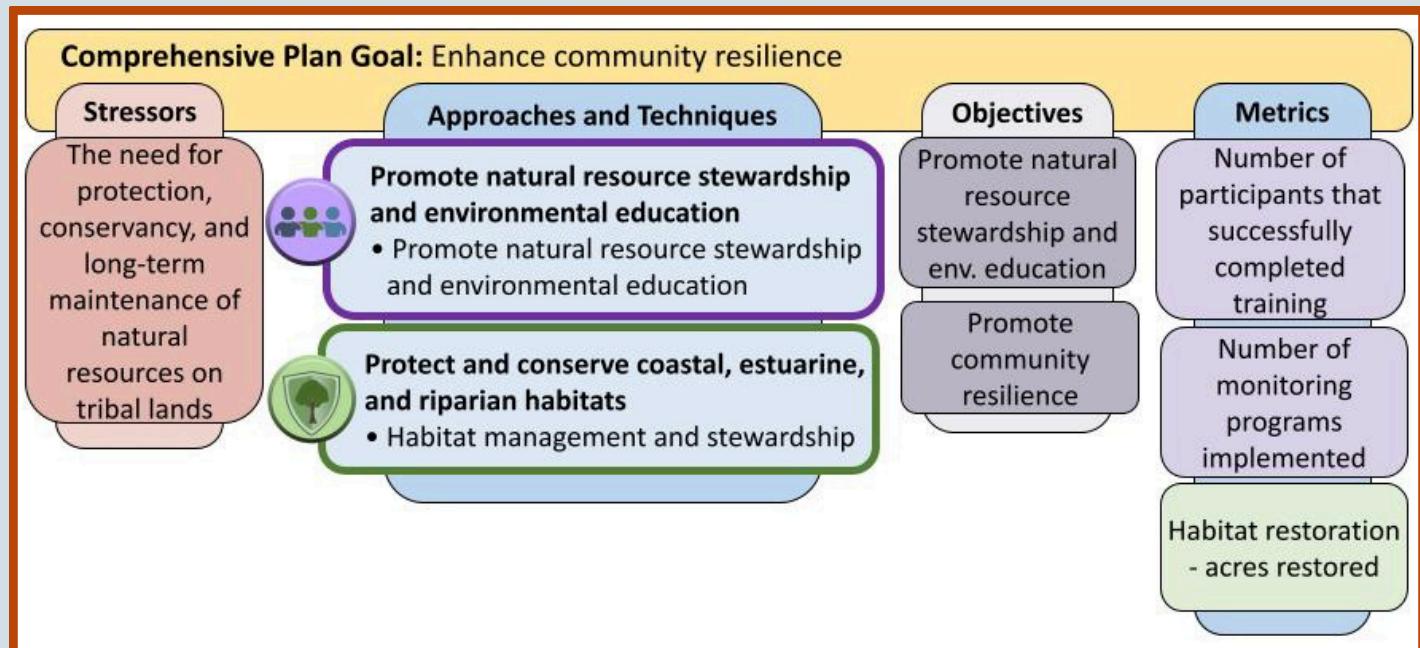
## Tribal Youth Coastal Restoration Program (Amending Existing Program)

The Tribal Youth Conservation Corps (TYCC) is an ongoing program funded by the Council in both the Initial FPL and FPL 3b. This program is active in six federally recognized Tribes: the Seminole Tribe of Florida, Miccosukee Tribe of Indians, Poarch Band of Creek Indians, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana, and Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas. Each Tribe has developed and conducted restoration and educational activities in a manner that best benefits their Tribal community's unique needs.

The goal of TYCC is to educate and train Tribal youth through direct participation in restoration projects that reflect each Tribe's unique cultural and environmental priorities. These projects have already helped restore up to 2,000 acres, addressing coastal erosion, invasive species removal, habitat restoration, and cultural preservation. The program helps Tribes to restore the Gulf while providing meaningful job opportunities for youth, creating powerful connections to nature and helping prepare the next generation of environmental stewards. This program supports the primary Comprehensive Plan goal of enhancing community resilience. The program duration is 3 years.

### Program at a Glance

The Tribal Youth Coastal Restoration Program applies Planning Framework approaches and techniques to support Comprehensive Plan goals and objectives. In support of the primary objectives, to *Promote natural resource stewardship and environmental education* and to *Promote community resilience*, the need for protection, conservancy, and long-term maintenance of natural resources on tribal lands will be addressed using the techniques of *Habitat management and stewardship* and Promote natural resources stewardship and environmental education. Success using these techniques to *Promote community resilience* and Promote natural resource stewardship and environmental education may be tracked using the number of participants that successfully completed training and the acres of habitat restored as metrics. The number of monitoring programs implemented may also be used as a metric of project success.



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