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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 10, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR HAROLD ICKES
PAT GRIFFIN
CHRISTINE A. VARNEY

FROM: STEPHEN B. SILVERMAN *BS*
PHIL CAPLAN *PC*

SUBJECT: Corporation for National Service Grants

On Friday, the Corporation for National Service will formally announce the final two-thirds of the AmeriCorp State Competitive grants. The following list of suggested phone calls is to key Members of the House. We have discussed these calls with Karen Hancox and Steve Riccetti. The calls should be made between 5 p.m. today and 5 p.m., Thursday, August 11. Attached is more specific information on each grant. If the Member's staff has any questions, they can call Gene Sofer at the Corporation for National Service, 606-5000 x246. Calls for key Senators will follow.

LOUISIANA - Baton Rouge, LA \$475,824
Shreveport, LA \$100,000

Pat Griffin can call Rep. Cleo Fields. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

MICHIGAN - Saginaw, MI \$317,400

Pat Griffin can call Rep. James Barcia. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

ILLINOIS - Chicago, IL \$357,107
Chicago, IL \$215,054
Chicago, IL \$251,713

Pat Griffin can call Rep. Cardis Collins. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

ALABAMA - Huntsville, AL \$10,000

Pat Griffin can call Rep. Bud Cramer. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

OREGON - Roseburg, OR \$18,000

Pat Griffin can call Rep. Peter DeFazio. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

CALIFORNIA - Oakland, CA \$350,000
Oakland, CA \$2,240,000
Los Angeles, CA \$48,792
Los Angeles, CA \$1,718,632
Los Angeles, CA \$500,000

Pat Griffin can call Rep. Ronald Dellums. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

Pat Griffin can call Rep. Julian Dixon. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

UTAH - Moab, UT \$83,162
Salt Lake City \$80,757
Salt Lake City \$ 85,358
Salt Lake City \$ 22,473

Pat Griffin can call Rep. Bill Orton. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

TENNESSEE - Memphis, TN \$276,939
Memphis, TN \$61,370

Pat Griffin can call Rep. John Tanner. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

WASHINGTON - Olympia, WA \$301,027
Olympia, WA \$3,000,000
Olympia, WA \$ 47,250

Pat Griffin can call Rep. Jolene Unsoeld. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

cc: Joan Baggett
Marcia Hale
Alexis Herman
Thurgood Marshall, Jr.

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August 10, 1994

CORPORATION
FOR NATIONAL
★ SERVICE

Dear Member of Congress:

I am delighted to announce to you the final grantees in the AmeriCorps State Formula and Competitive Award Competitions. Please see the attached list for specific information regarding AmeriCorps National Service programs in your community.

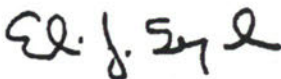
As I am sure you are already aware, AmeriCorps will engage Americans of all ages and backgrounds in grass-roots, community-based public service. AmeriCorps Members will address the Nation's unmet education, public safety, human, and environmental needs to achieve direct and demonstrable results. In exchange for their commitment to service, AmeriCorps Members will receive a small stipend and a \$4,725 education award to be used for tuition or to pay back existing higher education loans.

Today's grants will support 13,000 AmeriCorps Members in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and several territories. These AmeriCorps Members will augment the 7,000 AmeriCorps Members already supported through the AmeriCorps National Direct Grantees announced in June. Together, they fulfill the Corporation's promise to field 20,000 AmeriCorps Members by the end of this year, and will be the first of the 100,000 AmeriCorps Members that the Corporation plans to support in the next three years.

If you have any questions or concerns about AmeriCorps, or any other Corporation for National Service program, please do not hesitate to reach me or Gene Sofer, Director of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, at (202) 606-5000.

I am extremely proud of the local, state, and federal partnerships through which these programs were developed. I look forward to continuing our work together to get things done in our Nation's communities through AmeriCorps National Service.

Sincerely,



Eli J. Segal
Chief Executive Officer

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Washington, DC 20525
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Fax 202-606-4928

Getting Things Done.
AmeriCorps, National Service
Learn and Serve America
National Senior Service Corps

August 8, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR PAT GRIFFIN
 MARCIA HALE
 JOAN BAGGETT

FROM: RICK ALLEN

SUBJECT: AMERICORPS STATE GRANTS

We anticipate announcing the final two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants on Friday; roughly \$50 million in funding will go to 221 grantees submitted by the states and allocated on the basis of population, and a further \$50 million will go to 78 programs submitted by the states in an inter-state competition. We will fund programs in this round in all states, and in Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia.

In the competitive category, states with a strong service tradition tended to do well (including Colorado and Massachusetts). Missouri, North Carolina, Texas and Vermont did better in the competitive round than one would expect based either on size or past track records. And three states -- Massachusetts, Minnesota and Montana -- decided to invest a substantial amount of their own funds to supplement our grants.

We will inform Members of Congress and Governors of these grants on Wednesday (Members will be told about all programs in their state). Generally, we expect reactions to be very favorable. In an excess of caution, let me outline those states that we are watching closely:

Arkansas didn't do as well as we could have expected and is going through some senior personnel changes in its Commission.

The District's Commission is in chaos, with certain key personnel having left or been fired. Its submittals need a lot of work, and disgruntled potential grantees are criticizing the Mayor.

In Georgia, the state Commission agreed (off the record) with our decision (due to concerns over quality) not to fund an Atlanta Corps that is strongly backed by former Mayor Young, who will likely protest the decision.

New York didn't advance its excellent NYPD Cadet Corps, perhaps because of state politics. We may fund it as a continuation of our Summer of Safety.

New Hampshire got two of the three programs they wanted (they wanted to spread the same grant money to cover the third program, which we rejected). They have made a number of contacts within the administration, advocating for their position.

Texas did very well, but is irritated that we did not let them use their "formula" (population-based) funds to extend a politically-popular Houston corps (our staff thought the growth plans were too dramatic).

Two groups of states seem to share some level of common complaints. Sparsely-settled western states feel that AmeriCorps has an urban bias that hampered their submittals, and certain southern states believe they should have done better in the competitive segment. We don't think either criticism is merited (we can always cite examples of states in the same category that were successful) or likely to lead to political problems, and the only elected official who has contacted us on either point is Sen. Connie Mack, regarding what he considers to be Florida's worse-than-expected showing.

Please call me with any questions, or if you would like a state-by-state program breakdown.

CLEO FIELDS (LA)

Louisiana

BATON ROUGE:

\$475,824

Program: Mid City Redevelopment Alliance
SERVE! MID CITY
Participants: 42 AmeriCorps Members
Description: AmeriCorps members will serve the Mid City area by providing crime prevention workshops, helping to repair public housing, helping to rehabilitate facilities, organizing cleanups, working with community health care agencies, administering a kid watch project; reducing truancy; and tutoring children.
Contact: Ms. Copper Alvarez
504-336-1477; 504-344-6171 (fax)

LAFAYETTE:

Program: University of Southwestern Louisiana
AmeriCorps Scholars of Acadiana
Participants: 0 AmeriCorps Members
Description: University of Southwestern Louisiana will plan to engage student leaders in a co-venture with residents in order to revitalize communities adjacent to the University.
Contact: Dr. Gary Marotta
318-231-6454; 318-231-6195 (fax)

LAKE CHARLES:

Program: City of Lake Charles
Volunteers in Police Service
Participants: 0 AmeriCorps Members
Description: The City of Lake Charles will plan to create a self-sustaining volunteer program with the police department to improve victim assistance services, assist in the investigations of low evidence cases, and education the community about public safety issues.
Contact: Mr. Sam Ivey
318-491-1317; 318-491-1236 (fax)

NEW ORLEANS:

Program: New Orleans Youth Action Corps
New Orleans Youth Action Corps
Participants: 70 AmeriCorps Members
Description: AmeriCorps members will create an after-school developmental program, develop partnerships and programs with primary and middle schools in order to administer service learning projects, create community gardens, renovate distressed housing, and implement environmental projects with residents.
Contact: Ms. Jennifer Cumberbatch
504-565-3822; 504-565-3830 (fax)

SHREVEPORT

\$100,000

Program: Shreveport Green
ShrevCORPS
Participants: 41 AmeriCorps Members
Description: AmeriCorps members, in a summer program, will develop recycling projects, prevent illegal dumping, reduce vandalism, weatherize low-income housing, make housing repairs for elderly, and build trails for disabled individuals.
Contact: Ms. Yvonne Lee
318-222-6455; 318-222-8929 (fax)

JAMES A. BARCIA (MI)

SAGINAW

Program: United Way of Saginaw County
Saginaw AmeriCorps

Participants: 40 AmeriCorps Members

Description: Seven AmeriCorps members will work with the Police Department on community policing; 7 will serve as youth employment counselors, 14 will serve in schools tutoring and mentoring, one will conduct outreach to at-risk youth, 2 will be involved in gang prevention activities and others in developing child care.

Contact: P. Laine Blasch
517-755-0505; 517-755-2158 (fax)

\$317,400.

SHELBY :

Program: American Youth Foundation
Rural Strategic Action Initiative

Participants: 0 AmeriCorps Members

Description: This planning effort, a collaboration between the American Youth Foundation, MI Department of Social Services and Community Mental Health Services, will develop a "rural strategic action initiative" in three western rural counties to prevent family breakdowns by developing prevention and support services.

Contact: Mr. Bruce Bailey
616-861-2262; 616-861-5244 (fax)

SOUTHFIELD :

Program: Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Detroit
CircleNet

Participants: 20 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will build a "CircleNet" of friends, including Big Brothers/Sisters for 100 developmentally disabled youth. Activities include tutoring, mentoring, counseling and assisting with locating employment and apartments.

Contact: Mr. Joseph Radelet
810-569-0626; 810-569-7322 (fax)

YPSILANTI :

Program: Eastern Michigan University
AmeriCorps: Teams for School Success

Participants: 32 AmeriCorps Members

Description: This partnership with the community will have AmeriCorps members serving at Opportunity Centers, located at public housing and school sites. Activities include tutoring and mentoring to promote school success and recruiting and training parents and community volunteers to assist children at-risk of failure.

Contact: Mr. Dale Rice
313-487-0028; 313-487-7153 (fax)

CARDIS COLLINS (IL)

Illinois

BELLEVILLE:

Program: Belleville Area College
Activities in Community Teaching and Service (ACTS)

Participants: 25 AmeriCorps Members

Description: This community partnership including several neighborhood associations plans to revitalize the community through AmeriCorps members serving to rehabilitate housing for low-income and elderly persons, developing community gardens, organizing neighborhood watches and recreational activities, and tutoring.

Contact: Mr. Dave Paeth
618-235-2700; 618-277-0631 (fax)

CHAMPAIGN:

Program: United Way of Champaign County
Comprehensive Homeless Assistance Responsive Team (CHART)

Participants: 0 AmeriCorps Members

Description: This planning effort is to devise a program resulting in systemic solutions to homelessness. The focus of this partnership between area shelters, transitional programs, community agencies, University of Illinois and United Way is on health care, particularly mental health and substance abuse treatment.

Contact: Tim Deutch
217-352-5151; 217-352-6494 (fax)

CHICAGO:

Program: Chicago Commons Association
Chigago Commons AmeriCorps Program \$357,107.

Participants: 20 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members, serving in the South Side of Chicago, will provide counseling, referral, tutoring and positive recreational alternatives for youth, assist low-income residents with job training and seeking employment, and provide access to health care and housing options.

Contact: Ms. Josephine Robinson
312-376-5242; 312-376-6870 (fax)

CHICAGO:

Program: Latino Youth, Inc.
Youth for Unity \$215,054.

Participants: 15 AmeriCorps Members

Description: In this lower west side of Chicago community of primarily African-Americans and Latinos, AmeriCorps members will help to break the cycle of poverty by peer counseling, gang prevention activities, conducting conflict resolution training, tutoring, providing training in easing racial tensions and drug abuse.

Contact: Ms. Esther Lopez
312-277-0400; 312-277-0401 (fax)

CHICAGO:

Program: Uptown Habitat for Humanity
Nobel Project National Service Program \$251,713.

Participants: 15 AmeriCorps Members

Description: In the W. Humboldt Park neighborhood where 33% of residents live in poverty, AmeriCorps members will participate in this housing rehabilitation program. 11 members will be recent high school graduates developing construction skills/ career goals, 9 will support them through curriculum and career development.

Contact: Ms. Lauren Leon
312-252-8520; 312-252-8548 (fax)

CHICAGO:

338,385.

Program: Mid-America Chapter, American Red Cross
AmeriCorps Health and Safety Services Program

Participants: 22 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will develop the capacity of underserved communities (primarily Hispanic and rural) to provide health and safety education to diverse populations. Activities include safety, disaster, first aid training, training college students as HIV/AIDS educators, and recruiting volunteers.

Contact: John Hendrickson
312-440-2012; 312-527-1093 (fax)

CHICAGO:

#583,964.

Program: Public Allies
Public Allies Chicago

Participants: 40 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members, a diverse group of young adults, will serve in teams at community agencies in 30 neighborhoods. Activities include organizing science camps, tutoring/mentoring, coordinating neighborhood crime prevention programs, serving as youth delinquency prevention counselor, conducting outreach

Contact: Michelle Obama
312-935-1153; 312-435-1151 (fax)

CHICAGO:

#203,683.

Program: Chicago Youth Centers
Chicago: Side By Side

Participants: 35 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will serve in teams at inner-city youth centers, YMCAs in: after school programs involving tutoring, mentoring, gang resistance training; health clinics conducting drug abuse education training; day care programs assisting in classrooms and making home visits.

Contact: TBA
312-648-1550; 312-902-1444 (fax)

DECATUR:

Program: City of Decatur, Illinois
Decatur AmeriCorps Program

Participants: 20 AmeriCorps Members

Description: This partnership between the City and 16 community agencies will involve AmeriCorps members as a youth counselor, crime analyst, domestic violence counselor, recycling specialist, family literacy liaison, neighborhood specialist.
"AmeriCorps Class of '95" service project to recruit community volunteers.

Contact: Ms. Ellen Snowden
217-424-2801; 217-424-2770 (fax)

INA:

Program: Rend Lake College
Illinois Child Care Resource & Referral - Childcorps Program

Participants: 22 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members, serving as child care resource specialists and child care counselors in all 102 counties, will increase the number of child care providers by recruiting, training and providing technical assistance to prospective and new providers and increase quality of placements through consumer education.

Contact: Ms. Valarie Dawkins
618-437-5400; 618-437-5677 (fax)

Luis V. Gutierrez

- * Chicago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety - \$45,000 in Federal support
- * U.S. Department of Agriculture, Chicago - \$130,000

Dan Rostenkowski

- * Chicago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety - \$45,000 in Federal support
- * U.S. Department of Agriculture, Chicago - \$130,000

William O. Lipinski

- * Chicago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety - \$45,000 in Federal support
- * U.S. Department of Agriculture, Chicago - \$130,000

Henry J. Hyde

- * Chicago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety - \$45,000 in Federal support
- * U.S. Department of Agriculture, Chicago - \$130,000

Cardiss Collins

- Summer Safety grant awarded in June

- * Chicago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety - \$45,000 in Federal support
- * U.S. Department of Agriculture, Chicago - \$130,000

Sydney R. Yates

- * Chicago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety - \$45,000 in Federal support
- * U.S. Department of Agriculture, Chicago - \$130,000

John R. Kasich

- * Ohio Crime Prevention Association - \$250,000 in Federal support for programs in 10 cities, including Columbus

Deborah Pryce

- * Ohio Crime Prevention Association - \$250,000 in Federal support for programs in 10 cities, including Columbus



Summer of Safety Site: Chicago, Illinois

Project: Chicago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety (CANS)

Number of Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)

Service Focus: Community Policing/Neighborhood Block Watch
Drug Education/Prevention

Project Overview:

Participants will work with existing community safety projects. They will do recruiting designed to involve participants in short term community safety initiatives that build working relations with in the community. Participants will also work to develop and implement an action plan that will include interviewing residents and assessing community crime problems, and conducting community outreach meetings.

Project Contact: Warren Friedman

Project Number: (312) 461-0444



Summer of Safety Site: Chicago, Illinois

Project: Friends of Chicago High School of Agricultural Sciences

Participants: 50 (SOS Participants)

Service Focus: Conflict Resolution/Gang Deterrence
Restoring Safety

Project Overview:

Participant activities will include urban agriculture, creation of safe spaces in at-risk neighborhoods, conflict resolution training and implementation, and community policing projects in public housing.

Project Contact: Joel Berg

Project Number: 202-720-6350

BUD CRAMER (AL)

Alabama

AUBURN :

Program: Alabama Council on Human Relations, Inc.
Communities in Action
Participants: 20 AmeriCorps Members
Description: AmeriCorps members will work with single parents with low income who have children ages birth through 5 years in Head Start or child care programs in order to increase the level of parental involvement in the schools, provide educational mentoring for parents, and aid parents in finding housing.
Contact: Ms. Nancy Spears
205-821-8336; 205-826-6397 (fax)

BIRMINGHAM :

Program: Children Can Soar, Inc.
Project Invest
Participants: 0 AmeriCorps Members
Description: AmeriCorps members will serve over 12,000 individuals in a program that is designed to decrease the incidence of youth perpetrated violence and youth victims of violence by conducting violence prevention and intervention seminars for children, youth, and parents.
Contact: Ms. Catherine Wehrenberg
205-251-0062; 205-521-9652 (fax)

BIRMINGHAM :

Program: Birmingham AIDS Outreach (BAO)
(BAO) / AmeriCorps
Participants: 30 AmeriCorps Members
Description: AmeriCorps members, recruited from colleges in central Alabama, will be trained and certified as home health aides, provide home health care for persons living with AIDS, and receive peer education training to prepare members to then implement an AIDS prevention plan for their college.
Contact: TBA
205-322-4197; 205-322-2131 (fax)

DOTHAN :

Program: Troy State University at Dothan
One Problem at a Time
Participants: 40 AmeriCorps Members
Description: AmeriCorps members will work in teams and be trained to aid youth in identifying and solving critical public safety problems in their communities in an effort to effect a significant reduction in the crime rate and violence experienced by youth aged 8-17.
Contact: Ms. Pamela Williamson
205-983-6556; 205-983-6322 (fax)

HUNTSVILLE :

Program: The State Association of CASA
CASA/ AmeriCorps Caregivers Program
Participants: 0 AmeriCorps Members
Description: AmeriCorps members will provide transportation services, home revitalization/weatherization, in-home services, and educational programs focused on public safety and the environment in an effort to expand services for aging, homebound, low income, and physically or mentally challenged people.
Contact: Ms. Sallie Estes
205-536-6458; 205- (fax)

\$10,000.



Summer of Safety Site: Statewide, Alabama

Project: Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Number of Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)

Service Focus: Victims Assistance/Domestic Violence

Project Overview:

Participants will conduct 24 public education and outreach meetings in 13 communities. They will distribute thousands of crisis hot line phone number cards and domestic violence brochures. They will also answer crisis calls from victims and provide counseling. Participants working with children will provide recreation activities, to include educational field trips and sports, as well as mentoring and tutoring. Additionally, individual advocacy and applications assistance will be provided to hundreds of victims of domestic violence.

Project Contact: Carol Gundlach

Project Number: 205-832-4842



Summer of Safety Site: Statewide, Alabama

Project: Alabama Association of Housing & Redevelopment Authority

Number of Participants: 20 (VISTA Summer Associates)

Service Focus: Conflict Resolution/Gang Deterrence
 Drug Prevention/Education
 Community Policing/Neighborhood Block Watch

Project Overview:

Participants will be involved in numerous activities, including providing drug prevention workshops, expanding neighborhood watch programs, and establishing a youth corps and linking it with local seniors in need of escort service. Participants will also organize and hold public safety fairs aimed at reducing gang violence and providing alternative activities.

Project Contact: Tina King

Project Number: 205-774-4628

PETER DEFAZIO (OR)

Barbara-Rose Collins

- * Detroit Public Housing Department - \$100,000 in Federal support

Martin Olav Sabo

- * Project for Pride in Living, Minneapolis
\$45,000 in Federal support

Thomas M. Barrett

- * Social Development Commission, Milwaukee
\$40,000 in Federal support

Blanche M. Lambert

- * NE Arkansas Council on Family Violence, Jonesboro
\$45,000 in Federal support of a state-wide program

Ron Wyden

- * Leaders Roundtable (P.A.L.), Portland - \$65,000 in Federal support

Peter DeFazio - *summer of safety grant awarded in June*

- * Douglas County Health and Social Services, Roseburg
\$18,000 grant

Louise Slaughter

- * Regional Council on Aging, Rochester - \$18,000 grant

John LaFalce

- * Regional Council on Aging, Rochester - \$18,000 grant

Robert Scott

- * United Way of the Virginia Peninsula, Newport News
\$18,000 grant

Howard Bateman

- * United Way of the Virginia Peninsula, Newport News
\$18,000 grant

Corrine Brown

- * Florida Senior Programs, Inc., Orlando - \$18,000 grant



Summer of Safety: Roseburg, Oregon

Project: Douglas/Joseph County's Summer of Safety

Participants: 140 (Senior Summer Corps)

Service Focus: Community Policing/Neighborhood Block Watch

Project Overview:

Participants will work to expand existing citizen crime prevention initiatives. In addition, they will help with community policing, 200 home crime prevention audits, and 20 community safety workshops.

Project Contact: Florence Shively

Phone Number: 503-440-3640

RONALD V. DELLUMS (CA)

OAKLAND:

Program: Spanish Speaking Unity Council
FCC/AmeriCorps

Participants: 24 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AC members will be concentrated in a needy Oakland neighborhood to implement a comprehensive approach to community improvement. Members will organize anti-crime block associations, provide youth with alternatives to gangs, expand job skills, and implement physical improvement projects.

Contact: Ms. Hayley Bryant
510-534-7764; 510-534-7771 (fax)

\$ 350,000.

OAKLAND:

Program: East Bay Conservation Corps
EBCC AmeriCorps Collaborative

Participants: 140 AmeriCorps Members

Description: Through this nineteen organization collaborative AmeriCorps members will tutor and counsel at-risk youth, develop after-school programs, deliver basic health care services, and implement physical improvement projects in several needy Oakland and Berkeley communities.

Contact: Ms. Joanna Lennon
510-891-3900; 510-272-9001 (fax)

\$ 2,240,000.

POMONA:

Program: Cal Poly Pomona Foundation, Inc
PolyCorps-An AmeriCorps Project

Participants: 53 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will form the PolyCorps to serve the community surrounding the CalPoly-Pomona campus. AC members will teach conflict resolution, work to coordinate community volunteers and community service projects in schools, and implement neighborhood physical improvement projects.

Contact: Ms. Gail DiSabatino
909-869-3641; (fax)

RICHMOND:

Program: Bay Area Community Resources
Bay Area Youth Agency Consortium AmeriCorps Project

Participants: 70 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will focus on meeting the needs of at-risk youth by working on a variety of projects including: peer counseling, health education and outreach, gang intervention, conflict resolution, alcohol/drug counseling and education, outreach to homeless youth, after-school recreation, tutoring, and child care.

Contact: Ms. Christina Richie-Gray
510-223-9270; 510-262-6564 (fax)

SACRAMENTO:

Program: California Conservation Corps
A Cadre of Corps "Community Service Leaders"

Participants: 100 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will establish linkages between the California Conservation Corps and local communities. They will develop and implement mutually identified service projects to meet real community needs. Activities will include mentoring at-risk youth, and crime reduction measures.

Contact: Mr. Patrick Couch
916-232-6595; 916-323-4989 (fax)

Dick Swett

- * New Hampshire Job Training Council - \$76,000 grant

Patricia Schroeder

- * Metro Denver Project PACT, Colorado Department of Public Safety - \$230,000 grant
- * Denver Mayor's Commission - \$65,000 in Federal support
- * Seniors Inc., Denver - \$18,000 grant

Joseph P. Kennedy

- * Federated Dorchester Neighborhood Houses, Inc., Dorchester - \$150,000 grant
- * Action for Boston Community Development, Boston \$18,000 grant
- * Boston University Summer of Safety

John Joseph Moakley

- * Federated Dorchester Neighborhood Houses, Inc., Dorchester - \$150,000 grant
- * Action for Boston Community Development, Boston \$18,000 grant
- * Boston University Summer of Safety

Bill Richardson

- * Pueblo of Jemez, Office of the Governors - \$75,000 grant

Alan Wheat

- * Youth Net of Kansas City - \$58,000 grant

Ronald V. Dellums - *Summer of Safety grant awarded in June*

- * East Bay Conservation Corps, Oakland - \$120,000 grant

Pete Stark

- * East Bay Conservation Corps, Oakland - \$120,000 grant

Nancy Pelosi

- * Mayor's Office of Community Development, San Francisco \$150,000 grant



Summer of Safety Site: Oakland, California

Project: The East Bay Conservation Corps

Participants: 32 (SOS Participants)

Service Focus: Safety Education for High-Risk Children
Crime Prevention/Neighborhood Security Surveys
Development of Public Safety Curriculum

Project Overview:

Participant activities will include public safety education; conflict resolution training; safety oriented physical improvement projects; community organizing; safety plan development and implementation; and first-time youth offender community service coordination and mentoring.

Project Contact: Joanna Lennon

Project Number: 510-891-3900

JULIAN C. DIXON (CA)

FORTUNA :

Program: California Conservation Corps
The Watershed Stewards Project

Participants: 43 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will do state-of-the-art monitoring and analysis of watersheds and streams, and involve schools and community in tree planting; barrier modification; and gathering stream flow, rainfall, and temperature data. Collaborators include colleges, public agencies, schools, and private industry.

Contact: Mr. Melvin Kreb
707-725-5106; 707-725-1748 (fax)

HAYFORK :

Program: California Conservation Corps
W.A.T.E.R Shed Project

Participants: 85 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will improve the academic achievement of K-12 youth through coordinating service learning projects related to a school-based watershed restoration curriculum. Other AmeriCorps members will serve as mentors and work in crews to restore watersheds by building trails and planting trees.

Contact: Kim Stokley
916-628-5334; 916-628-4608 (fax)

LOS ANGELES :

Program: Occidental College
Building Up Los Angeles/Cluster Development Proposal

Participants: 0 AmeriCorps Members

Description: Planning grant to extend the Building Up LA to San Fernando Valley and two other communities. The mission is to get things done by learning to work together, linking agencies, resources and people across the county and within specific communities to address the needs of youth.

Contact: Ms. Cathie Mostovoy
213-749-3031; 213-749-0409 (fax)

#48,712

LOS ANGELES :

Program: Occidental College
Building up Los Angeles/Aggregate Proposal

Participants: 129 AmeriCorps Members

Description: Teams of AmeriCorps members will work with a city-wide, 60 organization collaborative in neighborhood-based service projects. Members will mentor and tutor at least 2,000 community youth, train youth in conflict management skills in 12 sites, and engage at least 6,000 people in physical improvement projects.

Contact: Mr. Jeff Carr
213-365-7400; 213-365-7452 (fax)

MM
\$1,718,632.**LOS ANGELES :**

Program: Los Angeles Unified School District
LAUSD AmeriCorps Campus Safety Aides Initiative

Participants: 80 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will promote public safety in 16 target elementary schools throughout Los Angeles. They will provide campus supervision, establish safe corridors, work with new and existing neighborhood watch groups, and present emergency preparedness activities for students.

Contact: Mr. Dennis Windscheffel
213-289-1564; 213-2891564 (fax)

\$500,000.

Carlos J. Moorhead

- * Los Angeles Unified School District - \$56,000 grant for a K-12 program
- * Los Angeles Unified School District - \$120,000 grant for a Summer of Safety program

Henry A. Waxman

- * Los Angeles Unified School District - \$56,000 grant for a K-12 program
- * Los Angeles Unified School District - \$120,000 grant for a Summer of Safety program

Matthew G. Martinez

- * Los Angeles Unified School District - \$56,000 grant for a K-12 program
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Julian C. Dixon

- * Los Angeles Unified School District - \$56,000 grant for a K-12 program
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Esteban E. Torres

- * Los Angeles Unified School District - \$56,000 grant for a K-12 program
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Maxine Waters

- * Los Angeles Unified School District - \$56,000 grant for a K-12 program
- * Los Angeles Unified School District - \$120,000 grant for a Summer of Safety program



Summer of Safety Site: Los Angeles, California

Project: LAUSD 1994 Summer of Safety Project

Participants: 50 (SOS Participants)
1,000 (Learn & Serve America)

Service Focus: Community Policing/Neighborhood Block Watch
Safe Corridors/Safe Places/Public Safety Education

Project Overview:

Participant activities will include establishing safe corridors; organizing safety escort patrol groups; training children and parents on prevention-based procedures to eliminate violence, crime, vandalism, and drug gang activity on school grounds and in their local neighborhoods; and serving as "safety aides" in six elementary schools.

Project Contact: Dennis Winscheffel

Project Number: 213-753-4551

BILL ORTON (UT)

Utah

MOAB:

\$83,162.

Program: Grand County Council
Collaborative Land Management

Participants: 9 AmeriCorps Members

Description: In recent years, Moab, site of one of the most beautiful and fragile semi-desert habitats in the nation, has been devastated by overuse. AmeriCorps members will recruit and organize community volunteers to restore the threatened habitat and educate recreationists to protect the land from future degradation.

Contact: Mr. Craig Bigler
801-259-8372; (fax)

SALT LAKE CITY:

\$80,757.

Program: Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) Program
Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA)+ Program

Participants: 13 AmeriCorps Members

Description: In a state where very few economically disadvantaged students, many of whom are ethnic minorities, are able to attend college, AmeriCorps members will tutor and mentor students from 4 high schools and 4 middle schools in Salt Lake and Ogden to improve academic achievement and college acceptance rates.

Contact: Ms. Fanaye Turner
801-585-3135; 801-585-5414 (fax)

SALT LAKE CITY:

\$85,358.

Program: YOUTH FORCE: The Salt Lake County Service & Conservation Corps
Parkview - Edison - AmeriCorps Team (PEAT)

Participants: 7 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will recruit and train tutors and mentors from low-income Salt Lake City neighborhoods to improve the academic achievement of at-risk elementary school age children. AC members will also work with the parents of the children to improve their parenting skills.

Contact: Mr. Richard Parks
801-468-3604; 801-468-3602 (fax)

SALT LAKE CITY:

\$22,473.

Program: Association for Utah Community Health
AmeriCorps and the Medically Underserved in Utah (AMUU)

Participants: 0 AmeriCorps Members

Description: This Utah health collaborative will develop additional partnerships and design a program to provide much needed health services to 12 rural counties. The program will seek to overcome barriers to effective health care delivery for individuals facing geographic, economic, social, and cultural isolation.

Contact: Ms. Bette Vierra
801-974-5522; 801-974-5563 (fax)

ST. GEORGE :

Program: Dixie College of Adult Education
Southern Utah AmeriCorps Education Program

Participants: 9 AmeriCorps Members

Description: In southern Utah, AmeriCorps members will work to improve adult literacy, assist adolescent parents in achieving their GEDs, and tutor children to ensure school-readiness. AmeriCorps members will recruit and train additional community volunteers to increase the number of people served.

Contact: Mr. Brian Cheesman
801-673-4811; 801-628-1286 (fax)

JOHN S. TANNER (TN)

Tennessee

KNOXVILLE:

Program: Knoxville-Knox County Community Action Committee
CAC/AmeriCorps Program

Participants: 20 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will reduce violence in inner city communities and promote non-violent conflict resolution by providing life skills training, tutoring enrollees of adult basic education classes, community clean up and enhancements, conflict resolution trainings, mentoring, and independent living assistance to senior citizens.

Contact: Ms. Barbara Kelly
615-546-3500; 615-546-0832 (fax)

MEMPHIS:

Program: Exchange Club Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse of the Greater Memphis and
Project TLC: To love a Child

Participants: 30 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will, through a seven agency collaboration, help break the cycle of child abuse and develop an educated and aware community by working as parent aides in private homes and conducting public education programs.

Contact: Mrs. Barbara King
901-332-1111; 901-396-7777 (fax)

MEMPHIS:

Program: Memphis City Schools
AmeriKids Project

Participants: 40 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will provide tutoring and mentoring to individual children during the school day and an array of activities in an after school setting. A service-learning component will involve children and their families in community-based service projects.

Contact: Ms. Judy Faris
901-385-4240; 901-385-4221 (fax)

NASHVILLE:

Program: Nashville Healthcare Partnership/Middle Tennessee Community Foundation
Nashville Health Corps

Participants: 40 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will improve the health of children and poor families by identifying children and families at-risk by using health indicators, work with families to improve nutrition and early childhood health, assess family health risks, and increase health education.

Contact: Ms. Joanne Pulles
615-259-4785; 615-256-3074 (fax)

NASHVILLE:

Program: Student Health Coalition of Center for Health Services
Student Health Coalition on Aging

Participants: 20 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will improve access to community-based health care for over 4,000 urban, rural, and low-income senior citizens in middle Tennessee by conducting 30 health fairs at 18 senior centers providing health screenings, physical examinations and health education workshops free of charge.

Contact: Ms. Barbara Clinton
615-322-4773; 615-343-0325 (fax)

JOLENE UNSOELD (WA)

Washington

EVERETT :

Program: YMCA of Snohomish County
Snohomish County Youth Reconnection Program

Participants: 0 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will reconnect drop-out or expelled youth through tutoring, mentoring, and counseling. In addition, they will organize educational and recreational opportunities and deliver workshops on substance abuse, AIDS and teen pregnancy.

Contact: Ms.
206-258-9211; 206-259-2328 (fax)

MOUNTLAKE :

Program: Neutral Zone
Neutral Zone YouthCorp Peer Development and Education Program

Participants: 35 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will expand a weekend-only late night program for at-risk youth to seven days a week. Members will provide substance abuse counseling, conflict resolution training, and peer mentoring and tutoring. These activities will lead to high school drop outs attaining their high school diploma or G.E.D.

Contact: Ms. Candice Johns
206-487-1166; 206-485-1218 (fax)

OLYMPIA :

Program: Community Youth Services
AmeriCorps Youth in Service

Participants: 37 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will teach conflict resolution to and tutor "at-risk" children in 8 schools, provide front line gang intervention, implement after-school, late night and summer recreation programs to rural and Native American youth, and provide independent living support to mentally ill adults.

Contact: Ms. Paula Rauen
206-943-0780; 206-943-0784 (fax)

\$301,027.

OLYMPIA :

Program: Washington State Employment Security Department
Washington AmeriCorps

Participants: 300 AmeriCorps Members

Description: AmeriCorps members will work in 14 agencies across the state on a wide range of service projects including developing a statewide literacy initiative for recent immigrants, providing at-risk youth with service opportunities as an alternative to gang activity, and concentration on the needy Colville Indian Reservation.

Contact: Mr. David Broom
206-438-4009; 206-459-6022 (fax)

\$ 3,000,000 .

OLYMPIA :

Program: Department of Ecology / Washington Conservation Corps
Educational Conservation Corps

Participants: 100 AmeriCorps Members

Description: Past logging practices have damaged watersheds in over 20 Washington counties resulting in lower water quality, a reduced salmon population, and a threatened economic base. By building fences to prevent further erosion and working to rehabilitate the watersheds, AmeriCorps members will ensure their future viability.

Contact: Mr. Robert Spath
206-407-6936; 206-407-6902 (fax)

100 education awards
\$ 47,250

Jolene Unsoeld - *Summer of safety grant, awarded in June*

- * State of Washington, Employment Security Dept./
Washington Service Corps, Olympia - \$416,000 grant

Sherwood L. Boehlert

- * The Oneida Indian Nation - \$100,000 grant

Collin C. Peterson

- * Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians - \$300,000 grant

Karan English

- * Round Rock Chapter, Round Rock - \$100,000 grant
- * City of Phoenix, Human Services Department - \$18,000 grant

Richard W. Pombo

- * California Conservation Corps, Stockton - \$99,000 grant

Dale Kildee

- * DuKette Catholic School, Flint - \$50,000 grant for a K-12 program

Gene Taylor

- * DREAM of Hattiesburg - \$44,000 grant for a K-12 program

Eleanor Holmes Norton

- * Metropolitan Police Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc. \$50,000 grant
- * Mayor's Youth Initiative Office - \$50,000 in Federal support

Tom Bevill

- * Marshall County RSVP, Guntersville - \$18,000 grant

Jim Bacchus

- * Community Services Council of Brevard, Inc., Cocoa \$18,000 grant



Summer of Safety Site: Olympia, Washington

Project: The Washington Service Corps; State of Washington Employment
Security Department

Number of Participants: 160 (Youth Corps)

Service Focus: Violence Prevention
Community Policing
Establish Safe Zones
River Cleaning
Tree Planting

Project Overview:

The Washington Service Corps will engage participants in full time team based projects to address public safety and environmental needs throughout the State. The participants will work to curb violence in the home and on the reservation; reduce violence in the public housing neighborhoods in Seattle; give young adults the opportunity to interact and assist elderly senior citizens; and provide children with safe places to do recreational and educational activities.

Project Contact: Mr. Dave Broom
Contact Number: 206-438-4005

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 10, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR HAROLD ICKES

PAT GRIFFIN
CHRISTINE A. VARNEY

FROM: STEPHEN B. SILVERMAN *SS*
PHIL CAPLAN *PC*

SUBJECT: Corporation for National Service Grants

On Friday, the Corporation for National Service will formally announce the final two-thirds of the AmeriCorp State Competitive grants. The following list of suggested phone calls is to key Senators. We have discussed these calls with Karen Hancox and Steve Riccetti. The calls should be made between 5 p.m. today and 5 p.m., Thursday, August 11. Attached is more specific information on each grant. If the Senator's staff has any questions, they can call Gene Sofer at the Corporation for National Service, 606-5000 x246.

LOUISIANA - \$1,484,583

Pat Griffin can call Senator Breaux. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

Pat Griffin can call Senator Johnston. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

ALABAMA - \$1,150,793

Pat Griffin can call Senator Heflin. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

Pat Griffin can call Senator Shelby. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

CALIFORNIA - \$13,065,132

Pat Griffin can call Senator Feinstein. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

Pat Griffin can call Senator Boxer. ☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

SOUTH CAROLINA - \$943,812

Pat Griffin can call Senator Hollings.

___ Agree ___ Disagree

CONNECTICUT - \$1,939,736

Pat Griffin can call Senator Leiberman.

___ Agree ___ Disagree

NEVADA - \$276,000

Pat Griffin can call Senator Bryan.

___ Agree ___ Disagree

NEW JERSEY - \$5,510,803

Pat Griffin can call Senator Lautenberg.

_____ Agree _____ Disagree

Pat Griffin can call Senator Bradley.

_____ Agree _____ Disagree

WISCONSIN - \$998,892

Pat Griffin can call Senator Kohl.

___ Agree ___ Disagree

cc: Joan Baggett
Marcia Hale
Alexis Herman
Thurgood Marshall, Jr.

Alabama

AUBURN :

Total Program Funds: \$272,082

Program: Alabama Council on Human Relations, Inc.
Communities in Action

AmeriCorps Members: 20

Description: AmeriCorps Members will work with low income single parents with young children in Head Start or child care programs in order to: one, provide educational mentoring ; two, increase the level of parental involvement in school; and three, aid parents in finding housing.

Contact: Ms. Nancy Spears
205-821-8336; 205-826-6397 (fax)

BIRMINGHAM :

Total Program Funds: \$10,000

Program: Children Can Soar, Inc.
Project Invest

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: Planning grant to develop an AmeriCorps program that will decrease the incidence of youth violence by conducting violence prevention and intervention seminars for more than 12,000 children, youth, and parents.

Contact: Ms. Catherine Wehrenberg
205-251-0062; 205-521-9652 (fax)

BIRMINGHAM :

Total Program Funds: \$320,630

Program: Birmingham AIDS Outreach (BAO)
(BAO) / AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps Members: 30

Description: AmeriCorps Members, recruited from colleges in central Alabama, will be trained and certified as home health aides, provide home health care for persons living with AIDS, and receive peer education training in order to implement an AIDS prevention plan at their respective colleges.

Contact: Mr. Sam Thompson
205-322-4197; 205-322-2131 (fax)

DOTHAN :

Total Program Funds: \$93,003

Program: Troy State University at Dothan
One Problem at a Time

AmeriCorps Members: 40

Description: AmeriCorps Members will work in teams to aid other youth in identifying and solving critical public safety problems in their communities in order to reduce youth crime and violence.

Contact: Ms. Pamela Williamson
205-983-6556; 205-983-6322 (fax)

HUNTSVILLE :

Total Program Funds: \$10,000

Program: The State Association of CASA
CASA/ AmeriCorps Caregivers Program

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: Planning grant to develop a program that will provide transportation services, home revitalization/weatherization, in-home services, and educational programs in order to expand services for people who are aging, homebound, low income, and physically or mentally challenged.

Contact: Ms. Sallie Estes
205-536-6458; n/a (fax)

JACKSONVILLE :

Total Program Funds: \$10,000

Program: Jacksonville State University
Northeast Alabama AmeriCorps Partners Program

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: Planning grant to design a program where AmeriCorps Members will tutor at-risk youth in shelters, group homes, and foster care; provide substance abuse training and services; mentor children and adults; and provide disaster relief and preparation training.

Contact: Dr. Rebecca Turner
205-782-533 or; 205-782-5689 (fax)

MONTGOMERY :

Total Program Funds: \$265,571

Program: Montgomery YMCA
Changing Lives AMERICORPS

AmeriCorps Members: 20

Description: AmeriCorps Members will, as part of a coalition of eight community-based agencies, strengthen single-parent families, curb teen violence and improve educational outcomes of youth by: one, tutoring; two, teaching parents good parenting skills; three, ensuring health care for children; and four, tracking juvenile referrals in schools.

Contact: Ms. Angela Williams
205-269-4362; 205-269-4836 (fax)

TUSCALOOSA :

Total Program Funds: \$169,507

Program: The University of Alabama
Students of Alabama for independent Living

AmeriCorps Members: 40

Description: AmeriCorps Members will integrate people with severe disabilities or major health disorders into the community by accompanying them to education classes, helping them obtain employment, and assisting them in their jobs.

Contact: Dr. Kathleen Randall
205-348-6114; 205-348-7610 (fax)

StateTotal: \$1,150,793

California

ATASCADERO :

Total Program Funds: \$49,014

Program: RSVP/AD Care Association, Inc.
RSVP/AmeriCorps Center for Community Service

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: This is a planning grant to develop an intergenerational county-wide community service program. AmeriCorps Members will develop Neighborhood Watches, work with juvenile offenders, and provide one-on-one matches for special needs children.

Contact: Mr. David Proxel
805-466-0538; 805-466-0538 (fax)

CITRUS HEIGHTS :

Total Program Funds: \$382,793

Program: Civic Center Barrio Housing Corporation
BUILDING COMMUNITY

AmeriCorps Members: 22

Description: AmeriCorps Members will work with residents of four public housing projects to identify their most pressing needs and facilitate a solution. AmeriCorps Members will do community policing, child care, mentoring and anti-violence efforts, job training, and conflict resolution.

Contact: Ms. Peggy Tapping
916-721-1667; 916-721-1678 (fax)

EL CENTRO :

Total Program Funds: \$49,014

Program: Imperial County Office of Education
Project AEGIS(Against Crime: Education Group for an Intervention System)

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: A planning grant to develop a program in which AmeriCorps Members will reduce community crime and school violence and improve health conditions of children and families in two remote, economically disadvantaged areas of the county.

Contact: Ms. Rita Brogan
619-339-6498; 619-353-3865 (fax)

ESCONDIDO :

Total Program Funds: \$677,810

Program: EYE Counseling and Crisis Services
Escondido Empowerment Corps

AmeriCorps Members: 30

Description: AmeriCorps Members will implement a public safety plan developed by a community partnership in the City of Escondido. Members will mentor youth, develop mediation programs, and organize neighborhood watch groups.

Contact: Ms. Kitty Burbridge
619-747-6281; 619-747-1635 (fax)

EUREKA :

Total Program Funds: \$23,364

Program: Redwood Community Action Agency
Youth Reaching Youth

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: This planning grant will focus on building partnerships to address the needs of educating youth and ensuring public safety in Humboldt County. AmeriCorps Members will develop and provide youth-oriented activities within ethnic and other community neighborhoods (schools, malls, neighborhood centers),

Contact: Ms. Susanne Hendry
707-445-0881; 707-445-0884 (fax)

FORTUNA :

Total Program Funds: \$562,234

Program: California Conservation Corps
The Watershed Stewards Project

AmeriCorps Members: 43

Description: AmeriCorps Members will use state-of-the-art monitoring techniques to analyze the health of watersheds and streams. Members will also organize watershed restoration efforts which will involve schools and community in tree planting; barrier modification; and gathering stream flow, rainfall, and temperature data.

Contact: Mr. Melvin Kreb
707-725-5106; 707-725-1748 (fax)

HAYFORK :

Total Program Funds: \$1,360,000

Program: California Conservation Corps
W.A.T.E.R Shed Project

AmeriCorps Members: 85

Description: AmeriCorps Members will improve the academic achievement of K-12 youth through coordinating service learning projects through a school-based watershed restoration curriculum. AmeriCorps Members will also serve as mentors and work in crews to restore watersheds by building trails and planting trees.

Contact: Kim Stokley
916-628-5334; 916-628-4608 (fax)

LOS ANGELES :

Total Program Funds: \$48,792

Program: Occidental College
Building Up Los Angeles/Cluster Development Proposal

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: A planning grant to extend the Building Up LA to San Fernando Valley and two other communities. AmeriCorps Members will focus on the needs of youth through community-based collaborations.

Contact: Ms. Cathie Mostovoy
213-749-3031; 213-749-0409 (fax)

LOS ANGELES :

Total Program Funds: \$1,718,632

Program: Occidental College
Building up Los Angeles/Aggregate Proposal

AmeriCorps Members: 129

Description: AmeriCorps Members will work with a city-wide, 60 organization partnership to develop neighborhood-based service projects. Members will mentor and tutor at least 2,000 community youth, train youth in conflict management skills in 12 sites, and engage at least 6,000 people in physical improvement projects.

Contact: Mr. Jeff Carr
213-365-7400; 213-365-7452 (fax)

LOS ANGELES :

Total Program Funds: \$500,000

Program: Los Angeles Unified School District
LAUSD AmeriCorps Campus Safety Aides Initiative

AmeriCorps Members: 80

Description: AmeriCorps Members will promote public safety in 16 target elementary schools throughout Los Angeles. They will provide campus supervision, establish safe corridors, work with new and existing neighborhood watch groups, and provide emergency preparedness training for students.

Contact: Mr. Dennis Windscheffel
213-289-1564; 213-2891564 (fax)

OAKLAND :

Total Program Funds: \$350,000

Program: Spanish Speaking Unity Council
FCC/AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps Members: **24**

Description: AmeriCorps Members will implement a comprehensive community improvement plan in a small Oakland neighborhood. Members will organize anti-crime block associations, implement gang prevention activities with youth, expand job skills, and complete physical improvement projects.

Contact: Ms. Hayley Bryant
510-534-7764; 510-534-7771 (fax)

OAKLAND :

Total Program Funds: \$2,240,000

Program: East Bay Conservation Corps
East Bay Conservation Corps AmeriCorps Collaborative

AmeriCorps Members: **140**

Description: AmeriCorps Members will tutor and counsel at-risk youth, develop and operate after-school programs, deliver basic health care services, and implement physical improvement projects through a 19 organization partnership.

Contact: Ms. Joanna Lennon
510-891-3900; 510-272-9001 (fax)

POMONA :

Total Program Funds: \$226,494

Program: Cal Poly Pomona Foundation, Inc
PolyCorps-An AmeriCorps Project

AmeriCorps Members: **53**

Description: AmeriCorps Members will form the PolyCorps to serve the community surrounding the CalPoly-Pomona campus. AmeriCorps Members will teach conflict resolution, coordinate community volunteers and community service projects in schools, and implement neighborhood physical improvement projects.

Contact: Ms. Gail DiSabatino
909-869-3641; n/a (fax)

RICHMOND :

Total Program Funds: \$735,057

Program: Bay Area Community Resources
Bay Area Youth Agency Consortium AmeriCorps Project

AmeriCorps Members: **70**

Description: AmeriCorps Members will meet the needs of at-risk youth through peer counseling, health education and outreach, gang intervention, conflict resolution, alcohol/drug counseling and education, outreach to homeless youth, after-school recreation, tutoring, and child care.

Contact: Ms. Christina Richie-Gray
510-223-9270; 510-262-6564 (fax)

SACRAMENTO :

Total Program Funds: \$500,000

Program: California Conservation Corps
A Cadre of Corps "Community Service Leaders"

AmeriCorps Members: **100**

Description: AmeriCorps Members, as program leaders, will establish linkages between the California Conservation Corps and local communities. They will develop and implement mutually identified service projects including mentoring at-risk youth, and organizing community watches.

Contact: Mr. Patrick Couch
916-232-6595; 916-323-4989 (fax)

SACRAMENTO :

Total Program Funds: \$832,245

Program: California Conservation Corps
CCC-AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps Members: 57

Description: AmeriCorps Members will work on diverse projects at three sites with activities ranging from environmental conservation work such as erosion control, park beautification, and wildlife preservation to human needs activities such as conflict resolution and anti-substance abuse workshops.

Contact: Mr. Patrick Couch
916-323-6595; 916-323-4989 (fax)

SAN DIEGO :

Total Program Funds: \$345,225

Program: San Diego Consortium & Private Industry Council
Safe Zones for Learning - Americorps Program

AmeriCorps Members: 28

Description: AmeriCorps Members will address the safety and welfare of youth and families in Mid-City San Diego. Teams will organize citizen safety patrols in schools; provide multi-lingual parent outreach; offer pregnancy and dropout prevention counseling; and coordinate comprehensive health screenings to pre-school children .

Contact: Mr. Robert Lewison
619-238-1445; 619-238-6063 (fax)

SAN DIEGO :

Total Program Funds: \$715,599

Program: San Diego State University Foundation
California YMCA PRYDE AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps Members: 50

Description: AmeriCorps Members will provide youths with alternatives to juvenile crime and delinquency by expanding after-school programs, providing one-on-one mentoring, enhancing parental and family involvement, coordinating community service projects, and delivering substance abuse awareness workshops.

Contact: Mr. John Wedemeyer
619-594-4756; 619-287-6756 (fax)

SAN DIEGO :

Total Program Funds: \$270,130

Program: The Urban Corps of San Diego
A San Diego Safety Partnership: The Balboa Park Ranger Corps

AmeriCorps Members: 20

Description: AmeriCorps Members will reduce crime and increase park use by forming the Balboa Park Ranger Corps to conduct safety patrols in conjunction with the San Diego Police Department.

Contact: Mr. Joshua Lazerson
619-235-0137; 619-232-7467 (fax)

SAN FRANCISCO :

Total Program Funds: \$367,103

Program: California Court Appointed Special Advocate Assoc.
California CASA Programs

AmeriCorps Members: 25

Description: AmeriCorps Members will advocate for at-risk and abused children in the juvenile justice system; increase community awareness of child abuse issues; encourage a home atmosphere where education is valued; and recruit, screen, train, and supervise volunteers to serve as mentors for abused children.

Contact: Ms. Susan Carter
415-456-7365; 415-546-6598 (fax)

SAN FRANCISCO :

Total Program Funds: \$499,076

Program: Volunteer Center of San Francisco

Linking San Francisco

AmeriCorps Members: 20

Description: AmeriCorps Members will work in ten schools to offer service-learning experiences for students and provide them with leadership opportunities through youth advisory councils, peer tutoring, and conflict mediation.

Contact: Ms. Dianne Bolotte
415-759-2882; 415-759-2903 (fax)

SAN FRANCISCO :

Total Program Funds: \$248,046

Program: Partners In School Innovation

The Tides Foundation

AmeriCorps Members: 13

Description: AmeriCorps Members will make service-learning a tool for educational reform in 4 public schools in low-income areas. Members will enhance academic achievement by developing educational service projects, parent-participation programs, and youth leadership opportunities.

Contact: Ms. Kim Grose
415-824-6196; 415-824-6198 (fax)

SANTA ROSA :

Total Program Funds: \$364,504

Program: Sonoma County People for Economic Opportunity

Sonoma County People for Economic Opportunity

AmeriCorps Members: 21

Description: AmeriCorps Members will develop "safe-haven" after-school centers, provide in-home support services for formerly homeless youth, and engage in gang prevention activities.

Contact: Ms Helga Lemke
707-544-6911; 707-526-2918 (fax)

StateTotal: \$13,065,132

Connecticut

BRIDGEPORT :

Total Program Funds: \$600,000

Program: Volunteer Center of Greater Bridgeport
Bridgeport Inter Regional AmeriCorps Program
AmeriCorps Members: 49
Description: AmeriCorps Members will be placed at 23 host sites in 3 regions where they will manage community volunteers who will construct low-income houses, tutor adult learners, provide health information and referral, and perform chores for the elderly.
Contact: Ms. Carol Elliott
203- 266 9466; 203- 334 3297 (fax)

HARTFORD :

Total Program Funds: \$24,868

Program: City of Hartford
Hartford AmeriCorps
AmeriCorps Members:
Description: A planning grant to develop a youth corps program based on the City Year model. The planning period will solidify program objectives to meet local needs, design effective service activities, develop training workshops, and locate service sites.
Contact: Hon. Michael Peters
203- 543 8500; 203- 722 6606 (fax)

MIDDLETOWN :

Total Program Funds: \$24,868

Program: Community Action for Greater Middlesex County, Incorporated
The Greater Middlesex County Volunteer Action AmeriCorps Program
AmeriCorps Members:
Description: This planning grant will develop critical service activities that address needs in education, community revitalization, violence prevention and crime control.
Contact: Ms. Claudia Belanger
203- 347 4465; 203- 346 6813 (fax)

NEW HAVEN :

Total Program Funds: \$1,290,000

Program: Leadership, Education and Athletics in Partnership
Leadership, Education and Athletics in Partnership
AmeriCorps Members: 164
Description: AmeriCorps Members forming a diverse corps of college and high school students will provide academic skills building, mentoring, and community support to 696 inner-city children. During summer months participants will live in public housing where the children they assist reside.
Contact: Mr. Henry Fernandez
203- 773 0770; 203- 773 1695 (fax)

StateTotal: \$1,939,736

Louisiana

BATON ROUGE :

Total Program Funds: \$475,824

Program: Mid City Redevelopment Alliance
SERVE! MID CITY

AmeriCorps Members: 42

Description: AmeriCorps Members will serve the Mid City area by providing crime prevention workshops, helping to repair public housing, helping to rehabilitate facilities, organizing cleanups, working with community health care agencies, administering a "kids-watch" project; reducing truancy; and tutoring children.

Contact: Ms. Copper Alvarez
504-336-1477; 504-344-6171 (fax)

LAFAYETTE :

Total Program Funds: \$41,500

Program: University of Southwestern Louisiana
AmeriCorps Scholars of Acadiana

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: University of Southwestern Louisiana will develop a service program to engage student leaders in a co-venture with residents in order to revitalize communities adjacent to the University.

Contact: Dr. Gary Marotta
318-231-6454; 318-231-6195 (fax)

LAKE CHARLES :

Total Program Funds: \$15,879

Program: City of Lake Charles
Volunteers in Police Service

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: The City of Lake Charles will plan to develop a service program in collaboration with the police department in order to improve victim assistance services, assist in the investigations of low-evidence cases, and educate the community about public safety issues.

Contact: Mr. Sam Ivey
318-491-1317; 318-491-1236 (fax)

NEW ORLEANS :

Total Program Funds: \$851,380

Program: New Orleans Youth Action Corps
New Orleans Youth Action Corps

AmeriCorps Members: 70

Description: AmeriCorps Members will create an after-school developmental program, establish partnerships with primary and middle schools to administer service-learning projects, create community gardens, renovate distressed housing, and implement environmental projects with residents.

Contact: Ms. Jennifer Cumberbatch
504-565-3822; 504-565-3830 (fax)

SHREVEPORT :

Total Program Funds: \$100,000

Program: Shreveport Green
ShrevCORPS

AmeriCorps Members: 41

Description: AmeriCorps Members will serve Shreveport by developing recycling projects, preventing illegal dumping, reducing vandalism, weatherizing low-income housing, repairing houses for the elderly, and building trails for disabled individuals.

Contact: Ms. Yvonne Lee
318-222-6455; 318-222-8929 (fax)

StateTotal: \$1,484,583

Nevada

FALLON :

Total Program Funds: \$225,399

Program: St. Johns's Lutheran Church
TURNABOUT Americorps Project

AmeriCorps Members: 35

Description: AmeriCorps Members will address the difficulty young, low-income parents face trying to finish school while providing quality pre-school education for their children. AmeriCorps Members are parents trained to provide quality child care for each other while earning their diploma/GED.

Contact: Rev. Robert Porterfield
702- 423-4146; n/a (fax)

LAS VEGAS :

Total Program Funds: \$50,601

Program: University of Nevada, Las Vegas
UNLV/Community AmeriCorps Program

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: This planning grant will develop a statewide program where AmeriCorps Members will link at-risk community members with appropriate service agencies, under the leadership of the Universities of Nevada at Las Vegas and Reno.

Contact: Ms. Tracy Cotton
702- 895-4777; 702- 895-4786 (fax)

StateTotal: \$276,000

New Jersey

NEWARK :

Total Program Funds: \$270,409

Program: Community Agencies Corporation
Newark/Essex AmeriCorps Program

AmeriCorps Members: 40

Description: AmeriCorps Members will be placed in teams to provide early childhood education programs, literacy training, job development and training, support services for homeless and troubled families, and neighborhood and environmental cleanup for disadvantaged residents in the City of Newark.

Contact: Ms. Dorothy Knauer
201-621-2273; 201-621-8120 (fax)

NEWARK :

Total Program Funds: \$257,057

Program: New Jersey Chapter-National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse
ParentCorps

AmeriCorps Members: 31

Description: AmeriCorps Members will partner with existing child abuse prevention organizations to implement parent education programs, provide childcare, develop mentoring and tutoring services for teenage parents, recruit and train local volunteers and facilitate parent support groups.

Contact: Ms. Sharon Copeland
201- 643-3710; 201-643-9222 (fax)

PATERSON :

Total Program Funds: \$320,591

Program: New Jersey Community Development Corporation
The Community Leaders Program

AmeriCorps Members: 20

Description: AmeriCorps Members will provide independent living assistance to homeless, disabled and mentally ill individuals in four sites across the state and engage them and other volunteers in group community revitalization projects in the City of Paterson.

Contact: Mr. Robert Guarasci
201- 461- 0140; 908-738-1132 (fax)

TRENTON :

Total Program Funds: \$264,068

Program: New Jersey Public Interest Research Foundation
NJ Community Water Watch

AmeriCorps Members: 20

Description: AmeriCorps Members will be placed individually and in teams to monitor, test, clean and support 16 major waterways, provide public education, identify pollution hazards, and generate volunteers in a statewide water watch program designed to address the most severe water quality problems in 9 cities.

Contact: Mr. Kenneth Ward
609-394-8155; 609-989-9013 (fax)

TRENTON :

Total Program Funds: \$50,000

Program: New Jersey Department of Military and Veteran's Affairs
Veteran's Haven

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: Planning grant to design and implement a program to involve homeless veterans and other community members in housing rehabilitation and the development of education and reintegration programs for homeless veterans in the city of Camden.

Contact: Mr. Paul Sutton
609- 530 7051; 609-561-7604 (fax)

TRENTON :

Total Program Funds: \$48,678

Program: Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Mercer & Ocean Counties
AmeriCorps -National Service

AmeriCorps Members: 40

Description: AmeriCorps Members will mentor children and parents from low income, single parent households part-time and provide referral services to address specific family needs, all with the goal of decreasing the incidence of school absenteeism and criminal and drug involvement through the strengthening of families.

Contact: Mr. Peter Weaver
609- 888-2227; 609-888-4443 (fax)

TRENTON :

Total Program Funds: \$1,350,000

Program: New Jersey Youth Corps
New Jersey AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps Members: 104

Description: AmeriCorps Members will develop afterschool enrichment programs, teach peer mediation, provide community education programs, rehabilitate low income housing units, build trails, and serve as first aid responders across six counties, all designed to increase service opportunities for young people in New Jersey.

Contact: Ms. Lynn Keepers
609-292-6582; 609-633-9825 (fax)

TRENTON :

Total Program Funds: \$2,700,000

Program: Urban Schools Service Corps
New Jersey's Urban Schools Service Corps

AmeriCorps Members: 250

Description: AmeriCorps Members will create community schools in 8 school districts to meet the pressing social and educational needs of urban school students by providing safe havens and educational enrichment activities, extending the school day, mentoring and tutoring and assisting parents develop positive parenting skills.

Contact: Ms. Rowena Bopp
609-292-6290; 609-984-7380 (fax)

UNION CITY :

Total Program Funds: \$250,000

Program: Union City Day Care Program, Inc.
Union City Day Care AmeriCorps Program

AmeriCorps Members: 38

Description: AmeriCorps Members who are parents traditionally defined as aid recipients will serve part-time as teaching assistants within day care classes, deliver community outreach literacy programs, assist with recycling and environmental beautification efforts, and implement substance abuse prevention activities.

Contact: Ms. Janet Rivera
201- 348 2754; 201-392-0833 (fax)

StateTotal: \$5,510,803

South Carolina

COLUMBIA :

Total Program Funds: \$272,760

Program: South Carolina Victim Assistance Network
SCVAN-AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps Members: 39

Description: AmeriCorps Members will conduct case progress notification, organize in violent crime prevention trainings and education programs, and set-up and manage support groups for victims.

Contact: Mr. Peter O'Boyle
803-737-8122; 803-737-8001 (fax)

COLUMBIA :

Total Program Funds: \$238,536

Program: University of South Carolina
AmeriCorps Project

AmeriCorps Members: 20

Description: AmeriCorps Members planning on a career in teaching will support and enhance existing P-12 service learning projects. Members will work directly with students on local community service projects and with teachers on translating these projects into the students' academic curriculum.

Contact: Mr. H. Larry Winecoff
803-777-3084; 803-777-3193 (fax)

COLUMBIA :

Total Program Funds: \$127,172

Program: Office of the Governor, Division on Aging
AmeriCorps Project

AmeriCorps Members: 20

Description: AmeriCorps Members will provide independent living assistance to the elderly. Members will make minor repairs and modifications to homes, deliver meals to home bound seniors, and assist with transportation and other day-to-day challenges of older Americans.

Contact: Mr. Ollie Johnson
803-737-7500; 803-737-7501 (fax)

COLUMBIA :

Total Program Funds: \$260,437

Program: South Carolina Department of Mental Health
South Carolina Department of Mental Health: AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps Members: 36

Description: AmeriCorps Members will help people with mental disabilities become more self-sufficient and integrated into their communities. Members will help people with disabilities find housing and transportation, offer peer support to families, and recruit and coordinate volunteers.

Contact: Ms. Pat Alexander
803-734-7767; 803-734-7848 (fax)

GREENWOOD :

Total Program Funds: \$44,907

Program: Lander University & Upper Savannah Consortium for Children & Family Advancement.
Community Investment Program

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: This is a planning grant to design three multi-purpose neighborhood centers where AmeriCorps Members will one, help residents access social services; two, provide prevention programs to deal with high-risk behavior; and three, work with residents to solve community-specific problems.

Contact: Dr. Samrendra Singh
803-229-8965; 803-229-8890 (fax)

StateTotal: \$943,812

Wisconsin

GLENWOOD CITY :

Total Program Funds: \$65,631

Program: WestCAP Volunteer Program
WestCAP Volunteer Program

AmeriCorps Members: 30

Description: AmeriCorps Members will assist elderly live in their own homes, tutor students with severe disabilities, manage recycling programs, and assist teachers in the seven western counties of Wisconsin.

Contact: Jay Fletcher
715-265-4271; 715-265-7031 (fax)

KENOSHA :

Total Program Funds: \$163,868

Program: Kenosha Voluntary Action Center
Students and Neighborhoods Coming Together (SANCT)

AmeriCorps Members: 19

Description: AmeriCorps Members will recruit 220 community volunteers to work with 250 junior high students to prevent them from dropping out or falling behind. AmeriCorps Members will also provide orientation and training to these corporate, senior, college, and parent volunteers.

Contact: Gloria Ramirez
414-657-4554; 414-657-1119 (fax)

MADISON :

Total Program Funds: \$32,362

Program: University of Wisconsin Extension 4-H Youth Development
UWEX's Triad Approach for Service Learning

AmeriCorps Members:

Description: This planning grant, building on the experience of cooperative extensions, will develop program models to infuse service learning concepts into existing coalitions working on child care issues, youth alcohol/drug abuse, school success and crime prevention.

Contact: Ms. Kathleen Vos
608-262-2496; 608-263-7969 (fax)

MADISON :

Total Program Funds: \$158,135

Program: Operation Fresh Start, Inc.
Operation Fresh Start Americorps

AmeriCorps Members: 16

Description: AmeriCorps Members, all low-income and from the 13 at-risk poverty stricken neighborhoods, will learn good work skills through carpentry, create low-cost safe homes, and improve their educational skills in this housing rehabilitation initiative.

Contact: Ms. Connie Bailey
608-244-4721; 608-244-8162 (fax)

MILWAUKEE :

Total Program Funds: \$167,361

Program: Open Door Community Center, Inc.
Open Door Americorp Project

AmeriCorps Members: 24

Description: AmeriCorps Members serving in teams will assist poor neighborhoods in Milwaukee increase their safety through patrols and block watches, clean vacant lots, organize community gardens, operate adult literacy programs and conduct summer academic elementary programs.

Contact: Mr. Roosevelt Morgan
414-344-2005; n/a (fax)

MILWAUKEE :

Total Program Funds: \$249,722

Program: Milwaukee Community Service Corps
Citizenship Through Service: Milwaukee Community Service Corps

AmeriCorps Members: 15

Description: AmeriCorps Members, primarily at-risk youth, will serve in teams throughout Milwaukee to build playgrounds, landscape urban vacant lots, tutor adolescents, assemble handicap-accessible picnic tables, assist recycling programs, feed the homeless, and do yard maintenance for isolated elderly.

Contact: Mr. Antonio Perez
414-276-6272; 414-276-7330 (fax)

WAUSAU :

Total Program Funds: \$161,813

Program: North Central Technical College
AmeriCorps Team-Marathon County

AmeriCorps Members: 15

Description: AmeriCorps Members will strengthen families through a partnership of sixteen community organizations. Activities will include support, intervention, and training in: child abuse, alcohol/drug abuse, access to health care, domestic violence, and juvenile delinquency.

Contact: Dr. Russell Paulsen
715-675-3331; 715-675-9824 (fax)

StateTotal: \$998,892

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

Date: 10/22/98 ACTION / CONCURRENCE / COMMENT DUE BY: 7 P.M. 10/22/98Subject: AMERICORPS REMARKS

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RESPONSE:

**PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS FOR AMERICORPS SWEARING-IN
CELEBRATING 100,000 MEMBERS
THE WHITE HOUSE
OCTOBER 23, 1998**

Acknowledgments: Harris Wofford; Philip Wu; The President's Service Award winners. I ask them to stand. They show us that the need for citizen service has never been greater -- from reclaiming blighted neighborhoods from drugs and crime to preparing disadvantaged students for the SAT to making the Internet safe for children.

One of the greatest Presidents to live in this house, Thomas Jefferson, said that "a debt of service is due from every man to his country proportional to the bounties which nature and fortune have measured to him." For more than 200 years, through times of both prosperity and hardship, that sense of civic responsibility -- the idea that every citizen has the obligation to give something back and the power to make our world a better place -- has been at the heart of what it means to be an American: It is the driving force behind our country's greatness.

Seven years ago, when I first sought this office, I felt that this sense had begun to wane. America was in danger of becoming a nation of strangers, alienated from our duties to each other and our communities. We lived apart; separated by races, ethnicity and class. We saw boarded-up storefronts and crime infested streets in once-thriving urban neighborhoods, saw rising numbers of children growing up without mentors and role models, and we looked away. We looked away and said that they weren't our responsibility; that it was government's job to help them, not ours.

But I was confident that the reservoir of civic responsibility and citizen service that built America had not yet run dry. It was still deep. It could still be tapped to once again meet our newest challenges and make our country great. So, seven years ago today, October 23, 1991, I went to my alma mater, Georgetown University, to lay out my vision for where I wanted to take America. I said we needed a new covenant, a solemn agreement between the people and their government, to provide opportunity for everybody, inspire responsibility throughout our society, and restore a sense of community in this great nation. We had to move beyond the "something for nothing" ethic on one side, and the "everyone for himself" ethic on the other, to a new ethic of "mutual obligation." Everybody -- government, the private sector, and most important, every citizen -- had to take responsibility and do their part to move our country forward.

That is why I proposed -- and fought to create -- AmeriCorps. It embodies the ethic of mutual obligation. Through AmeriCorps, we have sought to use the enthusiasm, the idealism, the energy of our young people to meet some of our society's greatest unmet needs. In exchange for a year or two of service, our young people not only gain money for college, they gain a greater sense of responsibility for the community they live in. And through each of these young people, we are once again making service the hallmark of American citizenship, the common

expectation and experience of every American. AmeriCorps is one of the most important promises I ever made to the American people; it is one of my proudest achievements as President.

Today, we celebrate an AmeriCorps milestone: 100,000 members -- a number that took the Peace Corps 20 years to reach. In just four years, AmeriCorps members have made a difference in 4,000 communities, touching the lives of 33 million Americans. AmeriCorps members have taught, tutored, or mentored 2.6 million children; built or rehabilitated more than 25,000 homes; helped more than 200,000 seniors live on their own, planted 52 million trees, immunized 419,000 people; and organized an additional 2 million volunteers. AmeriCorps is getting things done.

But even beyond solving problems, AmeriCorps is good for the young people in it. They are learning the power of civic action: How a single committed individual can make a difference in a community. They see a child struggling to read, a senior citizen fighting the disabilities of old age, a dilapidated playground, and rather than throwing up their hands in despair, they are rolling up their sleeves and getting to work. They are saying with confidence, "I can help." "I can make a difference."

And by serving together -- Ivy Leaguers next to inner-city high school students next to new immigrants -- these young people are learning that much more unites our people than divides us; that America works best when we work together; that what matters most is not your politics or the color of your skin or the size of your bank account, but your ability to get things to done -- to hammer a nail, to paint a wall, to teach a child to spell.

Those who were here in 1993, know we had a tough fight to create AmeriCorps. A lot of people were skeptical of its value to our nation. And every year since its passage, AmeriCorps has been a target in Congress. But every year, a strong, bipartisan coalition of governors, mayors and members of Congress have become AmeriCorps' biggest champions. They know firsthand that AmeriCorps works, so they've fought not only to keep it alive, but make it stronger. I am pleased that the new balanced budget gives thousands more Americans the chance to serve through AmeriCorps.

In the five years since we created AmeriCorps, I have seen evidence that the spirit of service and mutual obligation is growing in America. Eighteen months ago, I joined Presidents Bush, Carter, Ford and Mrs. Reagan, and General Powell at the Presidents' Summit on America's Future to find new ways to bring our people together to help all our children fulfill their greatest potential. Now we must keep the momentum going. Today I am delighted to announce a new partnership between AmeriCorps and America's Promise to create 500 new AmeriCorps Promise Fellows who will help advance the goals of that Summit: Providing every child with a caring adult, a safe place live, a healthy start, a marketable skill and a chance to serve.

And we must make sure that the ethic of service and mutual obligation takes root early in the lives of all Americans. That is why I am very proud to launch the first ever President's Student Service Awards. Modeled after the President's Physical Fitness Awards, these awards

will work through schools and community organizations to recognize young people for outstanding service. I hope every student in America will strive to win one of these awards. We must help them learn that civic fitness is just as important as physical fitness; that service should be as universal in our schools as gym class or sports practice.

Even in this time of unprecedented prosperity and unlimited possibility, every American still owes the "debt of service" Thomas Jefferson spoke about. I thank each of the new AmeriCorps members standing behind me for making good on their debt of service. In this very room, the East Room of the White House, America has honored some of our greatest and most famous patriots -- courageous soldiers, daring artists, brilliant scientists, visionary statesmen. You deserve to be here, too. You may not think of yourselves as patriots, but I do. Each of you, by answering the call to service, by lending a hand to your fellow Americans in need, by working to give every American the opportunity to meet their greatest potential, has earned a place among our great patriots. I honor you for your courage to resist the cynicism of our age. Your daring to tackle the problems that have vexed Americans for decades. Your brilliance at solving them. And your vision for a better future for all Americans. You are the reason America is great. You are the reason America will be great in the 21st Century.

So now I ask you to raise your hand and repeat after me:

"I will get things done for America."

"To make our people safer, smarter, and healthier."

"I will bring America together."

"To strengthen our communities."

"Faced with conflict, I will seek common ground."

"Faced with adversity, I will persevere."

"I will carry this commitment with me this year and beyond."

"I am an AmeriCorps member"

"And I am going to get things done."



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Thanks for your help Maya. I'll be in town all next week...best days for me are Tuesday morning, Friday after 10 am, or Thursday morning. Actually, I'll meet with him anytime that is convenient for him, smile.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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INNOVATIVE GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS ELIGIBLE FOR NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Public-Sector Excellence Honored with Monetary Awards

Cambridge, MA--Applications are now being accepted for the 1999 Innovations in American Government awards competition. The Innovations Program recognizes effective and creative examples of government at its best.

All units of government--federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial--within the United States of America are eligible for recognition and awards. Applications ranging from policy initiatives to managerial improvements are welcome. Innovations that arise within defense and international agencies are eligible, if they have significant domestic policy content. Programs must have been operational prior to January 1998.

In 1999, The Ford Foundation will award \$100,000 grants to 10 government programs and \$20,000 grants to an additional 10 programs, for a total of \$1.2 million. The John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University administers the competition in partnership with the Council for Excellence in Government.

Applications for the 1999 Innovations in American Government awards competition must be received by 5:00 P.M., Friday, January 8, 1999. To receive an application, visit our homepage at www.innovations.harvard.edu or call the Innovations Program at 1-800-722-0074.

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October 22, 1998

Celebration of Service

DATE:	October 23, 1998
LOCATION:	East Room
TIME:	2:45-3:50 p.m.
FROM:	Thurgood Marshall Jr. Bruce Reed Anne McGuire Tanya Martin

I. PURPOSE

Today, you will present the President's Service Awards to eighteen of the nation's most outstanding community service volunteers.

You will celebrate the success of AmeriCorps in reaching the 100,000th member mark and swear in a new class of AmeriCorps members. This event coincides with celebrations and swearing-ins of AmeriCorps members taking place across the country, including in Philadelphia; Chicago; San Francisco; Charleston, SC; Madison WI; San Francisco and Albuquerque, New Mexico.

You will announce the release of the AmeriCorps Promise Fellows grant by the Corporation for National Service to fund more than 500 fellowships to improve the lives of the nation's more than 15 million at-risk youth.

You will also launch the President's Students ~~Service~~ Awards, which provide opportunities for schools and community organizations to recognize young people for their outstanding community service and encourage more young people to serve.

II. BACKGROUND

In the State Dining Room, you will present eighteen of the nation's most outstanding community service volunteers with the President's Service Award. More than 3,500 nominations were received in four categories --education, environment, human needs and public safety --the same four areas in which AmeriCorps works. The 1998 award recipients include volunteers from organizations that keep young people out of gangs and in school, run free SAT preparation courses for low-income students, and provide care to people with AIDS and Alzheimer's disease. These awards are sponsored by the Corporation for National Service and the Points of Light Foundation with support from the Aid Association for Lutherans, the Ford Motor Company, the W.K Kellogg Foundation, and Lens Crafters.

As you know, in September 1993 you signed into law the act creating AmeriCorps, a national service program to allow students to pay for college with community service. Just four years after its launch, AmeriCorps is celebrating its 100,000th member --a milestone it took the Peace Corps over two decades reach. Since 1994, AmeriCorps members have served more than 4,000 communities, mobilized

nearly 2 million volunteers, tutored and mentored more than 2 million children, organized after-school programs for more than a half million youth, and built or rehabilitated more than 25,000 homes. This year alone, some 40,000 AmeriCorps members will engage in full-time service to more than 2,500 communities.

You will also announce the AmeriCorps Promise Fellowships, which will provide full-time leaders to work in local communities to implement the promises made to the nation's youth at the 1997 President's Summit For America's Future. Each fellow will serve one year with organizations providing at-risk youth with one or more of the five America's Promise fundamental resources identified at the Summit – a caring adult, a safe place, a healthy start, a marketable skill and a chance to serve.

You will also launch the President's Students Service Awards, which provides opportunities for schools and community organizations to recognize young people for their outstanding community service and to encourage more young people to serve. Youth ages 5 to 25 who contribute at least 100 hours of service to the community in a 12-month period will be eligible for the gold President's Student Service Award. Youth ages 5 to 14 who perform 50 hours of community service within a 12-month period will receive a silver President's student service award.

Introducing you is Philip Wu, an Army veteran who was part of the first class of AmeriCorps, serving with Habitat for Humanity in Miami. By mobilizing local volunteers and college students who came to Miami over Spring Break, Phillip and his team built 50 new homes for working families. Philip then served a second AmeriCorps term with the Metro Atlanta Task Force for the Homeless, helping homeless people find shelter and employment. Today, Philip continues to serve his community as Director of Business Development for the Victory Community Development Corporation, which meets the employment and housing needs of male homeless substance abusers in Atlanta. Philip, 32, is ~~on~~ Georgia Commission for National and Community Service and is a board member of AmeriCorps Alums.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Pre-brief Participants

YOU

Thurgood Marshall, Jr.
Anne McGuire
Bruce Reed
Tanya Martin
Harris Wofford
John Gomperts

Meet and Greet

YOU

Presidential Service Award winners
Mr. Harris Wofford, CEO of The Corporation for National Service
Mr. Eli Segal, First CEO of The Corporation for National Service
Mr. Phillip Wu, Member of First Class of AmeriCorps

Bob Goodwin, CEO, Points of Light Foundation
Mark Gearan, Director of the Peace Corps

Event

YOU

Mr. Harris Wofford

Mr. Phillip Wu

Mr. Eli Segal

Ms. Laura Sullivan, original AmeriCorps member

Mr. Keith Green, original AmeriCorps member

IV. PRESS PLAN

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V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

YOU enter the Meet and Greet.

YOU present awards to 18 recipients of the Presidential Service Awards.

YOU exit the State Dining Room and are announced into the East Room with Harris Wofford and Phillip Wu (Eli Segal, Laura Sullivan, and Keith Green are already on stage).

Harris Wofford makes remarks and introduces Philip Wu.

Philip Wu makes remarks and introduces **YOU**.

YOU make remarks and administer AmeriCorps pledge.

VI. REMARKS

To be provided by speechwriting.


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100,000 CLASS OF AMERICORPS/PRESIDENTIAL SERVICE EVENT

Friday, October 23, 1998

all tours canceled

President's Service Award Recipients Arrival: 2:15 p.m.

Americorps Member Arrival: 2:20 p.m.

Gate Opens 2:30 p.m.

Invite Time 3:00 p.m.

Principal time:	2:30 p.m.	Brief	Map Room
	3:00 p.m.	Meet	State Dining Room/Blue Room
	3:15 p.m.	Event	East Room

Approx. 150 guests/Open Press/Business Attire

10 Social Aides

3 Volunteers

2:10 p.m. IN PLACE TIME

2:15 p.m. 1998 President's Service Award Recipients arrive the East Visitor's Entrance.

Contact: Richard Mock and Marie Clark

2:20 p.m. 100 Americorps Members from the DC Campus of the National Civilian Community Corporation arrive East Visitor's Entrance.

Contact: Tara West, 606-5000 ext. 191

Americorps members proceed to the East Room for placement on risers behind the stage.

2:30 p.m. East Visitors Gate opens, guests proceed to the State Floor and are seated in the East Room.

Note: Coat check in Family Theater.

2:45 p.m. **THE PRESIDENT** receives briefing in the Map Room.

Map Room Participants

Thurgood Marshall Jr.	Anne
McGuire	
Bruce Reed	Tanya
Martin	
Harris Wofford	John
Gomperts	

3:00 p.m. **THE PRESIDENT** proceeds to the State Dining Room to greet/present the 1998 Presidential Service Awards.

Note: Social Aides assist in the award presentation. One Social Aide is next to first recipient with medal in hand (all recipients lines up in alpha order) while Second Social Aide is next to second recipient in line with next award. A third and fourth Social Aide serve as pull off and walks recipient down Cross Hall to be seated. All medals to be placed on table in State Dining Room in Alpha order. This process occurs for each of the 18 recipients.

State Dining Room*1998 Presidential Service Award Recipients*

Lynn Prince, Camp to Belong Highland Rock, CO
 Monsignor Joseph Carroll "Father Joe", Sand Diego, CA
 John Ferner, Columbus Fire Fighters Local Union #67, Columbus, OH
 Jeannie Tidy, Community Vision Unlimited, New Orleans, LA
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 Dr. C. William Johnston, Clearwater, FL
 Clara Kirk, Chicago, IL
 Terry Thompson and Claire Braeburn, Eva T. Jordan and Pierette E. Jordan, Tustin,
 CA Chitra Aiyar, People's Test Preparation Service, Berkeley, CA
 Craig Ruppert, Ruppert Landscape Company, Ashton, MD
 Jason Summey, Ashville, NC
 William B. Mateja, Texas Young Lawyers Association, Austin, TX

3:15 p.m. **THE PRESIDENT** proceeds to the Blue Room to greet the following:

Blue Room Participants*Event Participants:*

Mr. Harris Wofford, CEO of The Corporation for National Service
Philip Wu, Member of the First Class of Americorps
Laura Sullivan, Member of the First Class of Americorps
Keith Green, Member of the First Class of Americorps
Eli Segal, First CEO of The Corporation for National Service

Service Organizations:

Mark Gearan, Director of the Peace Corps
Bob Goodwin, CEO, Points of Light Foundation

3:20 p.m. Mr. Eli Segal, Laura Sullivan and Keith Green are announced to the stage.

THE PRESIDENT is announced into East Room to honors accompanied by Mr. Harris Wofford and Philip Wu.

PROGRAM BEGINS

Mr. Harris Wofford, CEO of The Corporation for National Service makes remarks and introduces Philip Wu.

Philip Wu makes remarks and introduces **THE PRESIDENT**

THE PRESIDENT makes remarks.

4:00 p.m. **THE PRESIDENT** departs.

Americorps participants and the President's Service Award Recipients go to the North Lawn for press interviews.

Guests depart East Gate.

GROUND FLOOR NOTES: coat check in Family Theater

STATE FLOOR NOTES: WHCA announce mic in Green Room.

EAST ROOM NOTES: 180 chairs in East Room, 5x8 stage at gold curtain; 4 gold chairs on stage; choral risers behind stage for 100 Americorps members; water at podium; Blue Goose; rope and stanchion center isle; 2 press risers on each side of the Cross Hall doorway; WHCA monitor and vcr in booksellers for psa; programs on chairs; brass quintet insode for Before, After and honors.

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Calligraphy

Name Cards - yellow - on stage

The President
Mr. Harris Wofford
Mr. Eli Segal
Mr. Philip Wu

By name - yellow - seated

Bruce Reed
Jack Lew
Mark Gearan
Shirley Sagawa

General Reserved Cards

3 pink reserved - pink cards passed out at gate to the following to be seated in the East Room

Sgt. Shriver
Carol Kinsley
Chris Gallager

2 blue reserved - blue cards passed out at gate to the following to be met in the State Dining Room and then seated in the East Room

Bob Goodwin, CEO, Points of Light Foundation
Don Staley, COB Points of Light Foundation

18 yellow reserved - (no cards need to be given at gate)

1998 Presidential Service Award Recipients - front row - will come from State Dining Room - to be seated following award presentation

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**PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS FOR AMERICORPS SWEARING-IN
CELEBRATING 100,000 MEMBERS
THE WHITE HOUSE
OCTOBER 23, 1998**

Acknowledgments: Harris Wofford; Philip Wu; The President's Service Award

winners. I ask them to stand. They show us that the need for citizen service has never been greater -- from reclaiming blighted neighborhoods from drugs and crime to preparing disadvantaged students for the SAT to making the Internet safe for children.

One of the greatest Presidents to live in this house, Thomas Jefferson, said that "a debt of service is due from every man to his country proportional to the bounties which nature and fortune have measured to him." For more than 200 years, through times of both prosperity and hardship, that sense of civic responsibility -- the idea that every citizen has the obligation to give something back and the power to make our world a better place -- has been at the heart of what it means to be an American. It is the driving force behind our country's greatness.

Seven years ago, when I first sought this office, I felt that this sense had begun to wane. America was in danger of becoming a nation of strangers, alienated from our duties to each other and our communities. We lived apart; separated by races, ethnicity and class. We saw boarded-up storefronts and crime infested streets in once-thriving urban neighborhoods, saw rising numbers of children growing up without mentors and role models, and we looked away. We looked away and said that they weren't our responsibility; that it was government's job to help them, not ours.

But I was confident that the reservoir of civic responsibility and citizen service that built America had not yet run dry. It was still deep. It could still be tapped to once again meet our newest challenges and make our country great. So, seven years ago today, October 23, 1991, I went to my alma mater, Georgetown University, to lay out my vision for where I wanted to take America. I said we needed a new covenant, a solemn agreement between the people and their government, to provide opportunity for everybody, inspire responsibility throughout our society, and restore a sense of community in this great nation. We had to move beyond the "something for nothing" ethic on one side, and the "everyone for himself" ethic on the other, to a new ethic of "mutual obligation." Everybody -- government, the private sector, and most important, every citizen -- had to take responsibility and do their part to move our country forward.

That is why I proposed -- and fought to create -- AmeriCorps. It embodies the ethic of mutual obligation. Through AmeriCorps, we have sought to use the enthusiasm, the idealism, the energy of our young people to meet some of our society's greatest unmet needs. In exchange for a year or two of service, our young people not only gain money for college, they gain a greater sense of responsibility for the community they live in. And through each of these young people, we are once again making service the hallmark of American citizenship, the common expectation and experience of every American. AmeriCorps is one of the most important promises I ever made to the American people; it is one of my proudest achievements as President.

Today, we celebrate an AmeriCorps milestone: 100,000 members -- a number that took the Peace Corps 20 years to reach. In just four years, AmeriCorps members have made a difference in 4,000 communities, touching the lives of 33 million Americans. AmeriCorps members have taught, tutored, or mentored 2.6 million children; built or rehabilitated more

than 25,000 homes; helped more than 200,000 seniors live on their own, planted 52 million trees, immunized 419,000 people; and organized an additional 2 million volunteers. AmeriCorps is getting things done.

But even beyond solving problems, AmeriCorps is good for the young people in it. They are learning the power of civic action: How a single committed individual can make a difference in a community. They see a child struggling to read, a senior citizen fighting the disabilities of old age, a dilapidated playground, and rather than throwing up their hands in despair, they are rolling up their sleeves and getting to work. They are saying with confidence, "I can help." "I can make a difference."

And by serving together -- Ivy Leaguers next to inner-city high school students next to new immigrants -- these young people are learning that much more unites our people than divides us; that America works best when we work together; that what matters most is not your politics or the color of your skin or the size of your bank account, but your ability to get things to done -- to hammer a nail, to paint a wall, to teach a child to spell.

Those who were here in 1993, know we had a tough fight to create AmeriCorps. A lot of people were skeptical of its value to our nation. And every year since its passage, AmeriCorps has been a target in Congress. But every year, a strong, bipartisan coalition of governors, mayors and members of Congress have become AmeriCorps' biggest champions. They know firsthand that AmeriCorps works, so they've fought not only to keep it alive, but make it stronger. I am pleased that the new balanced budget gives thousands more Americans the chance to serve through AmeriCorps.

In the five years since we created AmeriCorps, I have seen evidence that the spirit of service and mutual obligation is growing in America. Eighteen months ago, I joined Presidents Bush, Carter, Ford and Mrs. Reagan, and General Powell at the Presidents' Summit on America's Future to find new ways to bring our people together to help all our children fulfill their greatest potential. Now we must keep the momentum going. Today I am delighted to announce a new partnership between AmeriCorps and America's Promise to create 500 new AmeriCorps Promise Fellows who will help advance the goals of that Summit: Providing every child with a caring adult, a safe place live, a healthy start, a marketable skill and a chance to serve.

And we must make sure that the ethic of service and mutual obligation takes root early in the lives of all Americans. That is why I am very proud to launch the first ever President's Student Service Awards. Modeled after the President's Physical Fitness Awards, these awards will work through schools and community organizations to recognize young people for outstanding service. I hope every student in America will strive to win one of these awards. We must help them learn that civic fitness is just as important as physical fitness; that service should be as universal in our schools as gym class or sports practice.

Even in this time of unprecedented prosperity and unlimited possibility, every American still owes the "debt of service" Thomas Jefferson spoke about. I thank each of the

new AmeriCorps members standing behind me for making good on their debt of service. In this very room, the East Room of the White House, America has honored some of our greatest and most famous patriots -- courageous soldiers, daring artists, brilliant scientists, visionary statesmen. You deserve to be here, too. You may not think of yourselves as patriots, but I do. Each of you, by answering the call to service, by lending a hand to your fellow Americans in need, by working to give every American the opportunity to meet their greatest potential, has earned a place among our great patriots. I honor you for your courage to resist the cynicism of our age. Your daring to tackle the problems that have vexed Americans for decades. Your brilliance at solving them. And your vision for a better future for all Americans. You are the reason America is great. You are the reason America will be great in the 21st Century.

So now I ask you to raise your hand and repeat after me:

"I will get things done for America."

"To make our people safer, smarter, and healthier."

"I will bring America together."

"To strengthen our communities."

"Faced with conflict, I will seek common ground."

"Faced with adversity, I will persevere."

"I will carry this commitment with me this year and beyond."

"I am an AmeriCorps member"

"And I am going to get things done."

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CORPORATION
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December 15, 1999

MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT

From: Harris Wofford 
Subject: Bulletin on Progress in National Service

I write to bring you up-to-date on three significant developments:

First, the Corporation for National Service took the leading part in bringing about a new compact with more than a dozen of the leading national youth organizations specifically pledging to increase opportunities for young people to help fulfill America's Promise for other young people. We are working closely with organizations like Big Brothers Big Sisters, the YMCA, and Boys and Girls Clubs to demonstrate that young people must be seen – and see themselves – as resources and leaders in fixing what ails us as a nation. By adopting common strategies to achieve this shared agenda, we are making major strides toward bringing service by youth to scale in this country. The compact includes concerted support for the goals of 100,000 AmeriCorps members, two million President's Student Service Awards for 100 hours of service, and half a million work-study students in community service.

Second, the Corporation continues its close collaboration with the Department of Education to advance service-learning in schools at all levels. In September, we released the findings of a joint study that shows one-third of all public schools in the country – and nearly half of all public high schools – engage students in service-learning, and nearly two-thirds organize or recognize some form of community service. Just last week, Secretary Riley and I renewed our agencies' (and the Administration's) commitment to a set of principles that are critical to promoting service-learning in our nation's schools.

Third, consistent with your emphasis on closing the Digital Divide, we recently joined in the announcement of a new multimillion dollar initiative called *PowerUP*. It is a joint venture of America Online, the Case Foundation, America's Promise, the YMCA of the USA, Boys and Girls Clubs, the Waitt Family Foundation, and other partners and funders who are donating computers, internet access and other resources to schools and community centers that are without them. In 250 new PowerUP centers, more than 400 trained AmeriCorps*VISTA members will serve full-time as mentors to young participants and train them in computer technologies they'll need to succeed in the digital age. Most of the VISTA costs will be paid by the Case Foundation or other partners such as the Boys and Girls Clubs.

I enclose further information on each of these developments. Taken together, they represent strong progress in making citizen service the common expectation of all Americans and to using service as a key strategy in engaging young people in solving some of the country's most pressing problems.



IMPROVING OUR SCHOOLS *and the* CHALLENGE of CITIZENSHIP

A Declaration of Principles

Ours is a nation blessed with unmatched resources and an inspiring tradition of self-government. As we face the rising of a new century—indeed, a new era—perhaps no single issue demands more serious attention than how we shall go about assuring the highest quality education for all Americans. The challenge of citizenship in a democratic society demands from each of us our very best. What efforts must we make to develop the leadership and skills that it will take for our children not simply to survive but to thrive in the 21st Century?

Education is the key to honoring America's promise. Our schools are indeed the crucible of our democracy. Their quality and constant improvement—a daily obligation, a daily rediscovery—is very much the measure by which our success as a nation depends. That is a daunting standard, but its achievement is within our grasp.

That is why we believe it is important to emphasize the common enterprise of school improvement and the national service movement. Service-learning is the bridge. Travelers from both directions know how much each depends on the other, and how each contributes to the greater good of our schools and indeed our public life. Working together, the Corporation for National Service and the United States Department of Education seek to honor and to support the many thousands of teachers and parents and students who each day continue to make distinctive contributions to the quality of learning and life in their many communities across the country.

Six principles declare our shared commitment to school improvement and what's best in our American tradition of self-help and community spirit. Each is a partner to the other; neither stands alone. Achievements across the country already demonstrate that there are many effective ways to advance the goal of school improvement, and many models to praise and follow. No single formula for school improvement will fit every local community's needs, but innovative service-learning is invariably a key feature of local school success. A remarkable symmetry of both purpose and pedagogy illustrates the partnership we seek to advance.

Principle 1. All children can achieve higher levels of academic success while learning to serve if they are set challenging standards and given the opportunity to reach them.

Demand the most from young people and they will confidently exceed your best expectations. Not only do students learn more by serving their communities, but also their communities prosper as their students learn and provide needed service.

Principle 2. By solving real-life problems, students engaged in service-learning are challenged to exercise leadership and responsibility. Citizenship is something we learn, not something we merely inherit. Hundreds of thousands of young people are learning to lead and "getting things done" in America's communities.

Principle 3. School improvement and service-learning require career-long teaching and professional development.

Successful service-learning programs invariably find innovative ways to advance the twin goals of teacher development and innovative curriculum development. That is the kind of partnership at the local level that will improve the quality of learning for all our children.

Principle 4. Improving our schools requires parental and community involvement.

Service-learning provides both teachers and parents with significant roles in helping students bridge the academic skills of the classroom and the responsibilities of daily life.

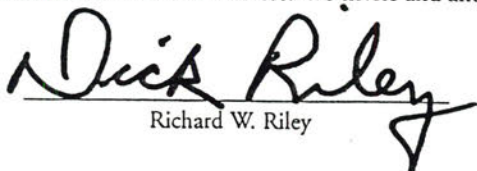
Principle 5. Improving our schools requires the participation of the private sector and the full range of every community's resources.

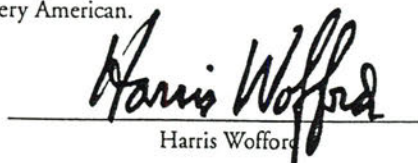
Businesses, community organizations, places of worship, recreational centers, and institutions of higher education each has a distinctive role to play in strengthening the partnerships between community service and the improvement of our schools. Partnerships of this kind underscore the fundamentally local and community-based tradition of American public education.

Principle 6. Ours is a nation of diverse cultures. Yet we are one people.

Service-learning is a vital factor in the movement to improve our schools. Their partnership is essential to helping our children to understand and to respect each other, and to exercise the rights and responsibilities of democratic citizenship.

Unflinching devotion to the highest academic standards and expectations of community responsibility are the cornerstones of genuine education reform and national service. We invite and anticipate the support of every American.


Richard W. Riley


Harris Wofford

A Compact to Fulfill All Five Promises through Young People: *Giving all young people the challenge, inspiration, and opportunities to serve*

We, the undersigned organizations, join in the common conviction that young people are vital resources for their communities and can play a key role in fulfilling all five of the promises of the campaign for America's Promise for other young people. We – youth and those who are older – will combine our efforts to achieve these aims:

- build awareness, enthusiasm, and the will to serve among the young;
- offer high-quality opportunities for service – including service-learning – by the young;
- recognize, reward, and highlight youth as role models for service and citizenship;
- develop the leadership potential and encourage the civic engagement of young people through training, peer-to-peer exchanges, and service experiences that challenge them to assume increasing responsibility; and
- add resources to and strengthen the infrastructure of the youth service field to accomplish the above aims.

A Youth Service Strategy:

A centerpiece of our strategy to achieve these aims will be National Youth Service Day, April 14-15, 2000. This day will kick off a year of continuing and growing activity for service by young people, including other signature days of service on Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday, Make a Difference Day, Family Volunteering Day, the Youth Summit at the National Community Service Conference and the Youth Service Day of the Fraternal Congress. All of these days will provide opportunities 1) to sign up more young people to serve; 2) to honor, reward, and recognize young people for their leadership; and 3) to expand the service opportunities for young people to fulfill their service pledges and commitments to help fulfill the five promises.

In addition to these days and seasons of service, our collaborating organizations will pursue together the following: 1) a 'toolkit' or 'cookbook' on how to engage youth in service including model initiatives and strategies from each participating organization; 2) joint training for key staff in each organization in how to include youth as leaders in service and training in fundraising for local organizations to help them build sustainable initiatives; and 3) a national public information campaign to highlight youth as resources.

During this year, through a range of youth service initiatives sponsored by the participating organizations, one of the measures for service will be the standard of 100 hours – to be tracked by the President's Student Service Awards. This initiative, paralleling the President's Physical Fitness Awards, puts civic fitness on par with physical fitness by honoring youth ages 5 to 25 who perform at least 100 hours of service to their communities. On each National Youth Service Day, we will report our progress, launch new partnerships, and share resources for the common elements of the national youth service agenda.

This strategy to provide opportunities and inspiration for young people to give back through their own service on behalf of all five promises should seek to achieve the three targets set by the Goal Five Advisory Board created by America's Promise after the Presidents' Summit for America's Future in Philadelphia in 1997. The Advisory Board developed three specific milestones toward which to strive:

- 1) At least two million additional young people to serve 100 hours per year by the year 2000. (The President's Student Service Awards were created to promote and track progress toward this goal.)
- 2) At least 100,000 young people to have the opportunity to become service leaders who provide more than 1,000 hours of service per year. (The President's budget forecasts funding for 100,000 AmeriCorps members per year by 2003. Some of them would be part of a proposed new high school AmeriCorps.)
- 3) At least half of the one million college students paying for college costs through the federal work-study program to work in the community, rather than on campus. (More than 1,200 colleges and university presidents have joined in a call to service by work-study students through local America Reads and America Counts Challenge programs.)

Implementing the Strategy:

This year-round strategy for service by young people – including the following key initiatives of the participating organizations – will enable us to achieve the aims set forth in this compact. Each participating organization will embrace – in addition to its own initiatives and priorities – as many of the following as their missions permit. And as new initiatives develop, the participating organizations will consider how to help them succeed.

- America's Promise, States of Promise, Communities of Promise – As sponsor and key partner of this Compact, America's Promise will ask its several hundred corporate and non-profit commitment-makers and the network of States of Promise and Communities of Promise to join in advancing this strategy for youth engagement in service. This Compact will be presented to the public as one of the important ways that America's Promise is organizing an Alliance for Youth that works together to fulfill all five promises.
- President's Student Service Awards – The Awards honor youth ages 5 to 25 who perform at least 100 hours of service to the community in a 12-month period – or, for those under age 15 at least 50 hours. All award winners receive a gold or silver pin, a presidential certificate, and a letter from the President. More than 17,000 Awards have been distributed thus far.
- President's Student Service Scholarships – So long as Corporation for National Service funds are available and matched by local contributors, each high school in the country may select up to two students – preferably one junior and one senior – to receive a \$1,000 President's Student Service Scholarship for outstanding service to the community (\$500 is provided by the Corporation).
- National Youth Service Day – National Youth Service Day is the largest annual service event in the country mobilizing approximately 3 million young people and adults through thousands of service projects. Its goal is to recognize the contributions of young people through service, to mobilize the next generation of volunteers and service leaders, and to highlight youth as resources in their communities. Next year's National Youth Service Day is April 14-15, 2000.

- America Reads Challenge – The goal of this presidential challenge is to ensure that every child can read by the end of the third grade. Thousands of AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps*VISTA members, Senior volunteers, and college work-study students or volunteers are engaged in organizing and participating in after-school, in-school, or summer literacy programs. The Communities In Schools model for Schools of Promise is being replicated across the country. City Cares is working with universities and colleges to get college tutors to give four hours per week to tutor a child.
- SERVENet - Youth Service America is committed to having volunteer opportunities for every zip code in America on its web site by the end of the year 2000. This database is accessible through “Volunteer Now” boxes on popular culture web sites, such as MTV, NBA, Sears & Roebuck, and Timberland, with Parade Magazine and REACT magazines now joining the effort.
- Youth Summit – A Youth Summit is in the initial stages of being organized as part of the Year 2000 National Community Service Conference in Orlando in June, 2000.
- The Kindness and Justice Challenge – The K&J Challenge is Do Something’s two-week campaign to practice acts of kindness and justice for character education and leadership training around the Martin Luther King Day Holiday. Last year 16,000 educators engaged more than two million students in all 50 states in this effort.
- Out-of-School and Summer Service Time - City Cares is encouraging summer time service, working through camps. Its affiliates in Charlotte and Atlanta have developed good models for the national effort. AmeriCorps, including City Year, the National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) and VISTA, is also giving summer service and vacation programs priority.
- Bigs/Littles Serving Together – Big Brothers Big Sisters of America encourages its Bigs and Littles and its “sibling matches” to do service together as a core activity in the mentoring relationship. Some programs encourage service together once a month.
- Older Students Mentoring or Tutoring Younger Students – Big Brothers Big Sisters’ affiliates are experimenting with high school and college students mentoring elementary school students. In Boys & Girls Clubs’ Keystone Clubs for 14-17 year olds, efforts are underway to encourage older Club members to serve as mentors to younger Club members. Literacy corps and many other local initiatives with AmeriCorps members and service-learning programs are engaged in organizing high school or middle school students to tutor elementary students in after-school programs.
- Youth Affirmation – This new five-year, \$5 million initiative of the Red Cross will make funds available to forty local chapters who demonstrate effective collaborations with other youth service organizations and within the Red Cross structure. Chapters are being encouraged to integrate youth into their leadership structure and to provide substantive and diverse opportunities for youth involvement.

- Continuing Service Initiative for Former AmeriCorps Members –Working with the partners in this Compact, the Corporation for National Service is developing a special registry of former AmeriCorps members who are interested in continuing volunteer service and will match the skills and experience of these alumni with the specific needs of nonprofit and educational allies. The President issued this Call to Continuing Service on the Fifth Anniversary of AmeriCorps and is writing to all 150, 000 former and current AmeriCorps members.

In addition to the primary joint undertakings described above, members of this Compact also recognize the following initiatives of participating organizations and the contribution they make to fulfilling all five promises through young people:

- Service Passports: City Cares is developing a tool to allow young people to track their service hours to prove eligibility for perks and discounts from corporate sponsors. The program is currently in the first of three developmental phases. When it is ready to be expanded beyond the City Cares network, many participating organizations are interested in supporting this initiative.
- Schools of Promise: Communities in Schools is leading the charge on behalf of America's Promise to serve as the broker to bring community agencies and volunteers into the schools to deliver all five basic promises
- Service-Learning Leader Schools: In its inaugural year, seventy high schools located in 41 states were selected through an annual competition and honored by the Corporation for National Service for their exemplary efforts to integrate student service into the curriculum and life of the school. Next year the competition will be extended to middle schools. Leader schools will play an active role in spreading service-learning to other schools in their districts or states.
- Civic Action: A new initiative of the YMCA funded through the Pew Charitable Trusts will work with young people 18-25 years old to get them involved in community governance and other aspects of civic life.
- Youth of the Year Program: All Boys and Girls Clubs select a Youth of the Year, with service as an important criterion. Each state chooses a winner and there are regional and national Youths of the Year, all receiving cash scholarship awards. The \$1,000 college scholarships for service are also now available to local clubs for their Youths of the Year.
- Family Matters: This program of the Points of Light Foundation promotes volunteering by families and sponsors the national Family Volunteering Day.
- Leadership 2000: This initiative of Youth Service America will seek to integrate service into the current presidential campaign dialogue and debates.
- Serve 2K: The Grantmaker Forum on Community and National Service is working with other participants to agree on an integrated approach to communications and policy in order to infuse service into the public discourse surrounding the millennium. A central aim of Serve 2K is to create a "universal message" about service (like the auto industry's "buckle up" campaign) to which organizations can attach their own tag lines and logos.

- Y Earth Service Corps: This existing program of the YMCA engages teams of 10-15 high school and college-age youth in planning and implementing environmental service projects. This is part of the YMCA's growing effort to include service-learning in its youth activities.
- The Fund for Social Entrepreneurs of Youth Service America: The Fund provides financial support to talented individuals who are launching innovative national and community youth service ventures. The Fund will add six slots designated for young people next year.
- Do Something League: The Do Something organization is promoting a new "sport" of community-building through which every school has a Community Coach to lead a year-round curriculum teaching young people important skills in leadership and service.
- Fostering Success: This Girl Scouts demonstration project in Michigan serves girls in foster care as an effort to bring the long-standing and tested scouting program model to some new and particularly under-served populations.
- Mentoring Girls: Supported by the Met Life Foundation, this Girl Scouts demonstration project is operating in 15 sites.
- Girl Scouts Beyond Bars: In collaboration with the Department of Justice, this Girl Scouts expansion effort works with girls whose mothers are incarcerated.
- Border Initiative: In collaboration with the Texas Border Council and a leading national Latino organization, this Girl Scouts expansion effort works with girls on the U.S. – Mexico border.
- Prudential Youth Leadership Institute: This national innovative leadership and service training program for high school age students is administered by Prudential, the Points of Light Foundation, and Youth Service America. A network of 300 trainers from local organizations/partners delivers the training across the country to more than 2,000 students each year.

Organizations Participating in the Compact:

America's Promise
 American Red Cross
 Big Brothers Big Sisters
 Boys and Girls Clubs
 City Cares of America
 Communities in Schools
 Corporation for National Service
 Do Something
 Girl Scouts of America
 Grantmaker Forum for Community and National Service
 Points of Light Foundation
 United Way of America
 YMCA of the USA
 Youth Service America

Organizations to be invited to join the Compact:

Boy Scouts of America
Campfire Boys and Girls
Campus Compact
Campus Outreach Opportunity League (COOL)
Center for Youth As Resources
City Year, Inc.
Girls Incorporated
Jewish Community Centers of North America
Job Corps, U.S. Department of Labor
Lions Club International
March of Dimes
Muscular Dystrophy Association
National 4-H Council
National Assembly of Health and Human Service Organizations
National Association of Police Athletic Leagues
National Fraternal Congress of America
National Governors' Association
National League of Cities
National Mentoring Partnership
National Youth Leadership Council
Urban League
U.S. Conference of Mayors
Volunteers of America
Women in Community Service
Youth Volunteer Corps of America

Partners in the Above Primary Youth Service Initiatives

For each of the initiatives described in the “Implementing the Strategy” section above, we list below first the sponsoring organization and then, secondly, the organizations in this Compact that have so far agreed to actively pursue them.

- **President’s Student Service Awards**, an initiative of the President and the Corporation for National Service administered by the American Institute for Public Service, Points of Light Foundation, and Youth Service America.
Organizational Partners: All organizations participating in this Compact.
- **President’s Student Service Scholarships**, an initiative of the President and the Corporation for National Service administered by the Citizens’ Scholarship Foundation of America.
Organizational Partners: The Points of Light Foundation, Communities in Schools, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Youth Service America, Do Something, the United Way of America, and America’s Promise.
- **National Youth Service Day**, an initiative of Youth Service America.
Organizational Partners: Currently there are 34 National Partners that have signed up to promote the event through their networks, including all organizations participating in this Compact.
- **America Reads Challenge**, an initiative of the President, the Department of Education and the Corporation for National Service.
Organizational Partners: Communities in Schools, Do Something, The Points of Light Foundation, the YMCA of the USA, City Cares of America, the United Way of America, and America’s Promise.
- **SERVEnet**, a service of Youth Service America for all youth service organizations.
Any organization can post volunteer opportunities and other service-related information on SERVENet for free. In addition, YSA is providing the Volunteer Now! box and database to interested partners to place on their web sites.
- **Youth Summit**
Organizational Partners: The Points of Light Foundation, United Way of America, Corporation for National Service, Youth Service America, City Cares, Do Something, the American Red Cross, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America, the YMCA of the USA, and America’s Promise.
- **Kindness and Justice Challenge**, an initiative of Do Something
Organizational Partners: Youth Service America, United Way of America, the Points of Light Foundation, Communities in Schools, the Corporation for National Service, and America’s Promise.
- **Out-of-School and Summer Service Time**
Organizational Partners: City Cares of America, the Points of Light Foundation, Do Something, Communities in Schools, Youth Service America, the Corporation for National Service, and America’s Promise.

- **Bigs/Littles Serving Together**, an initiative of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America.
Organizational Partners: Do Something, Corporation for National Service, and Youth Service America.
- **Older Students Mentoring or Tutoring Younger Students**
Organizational Partners: Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, The Points of Light Foundation the Corporation for National Service, and America's Promise.
- **Youth Affirmation**, an initiative of the American Red Cross.
Organizational Partners: Do Something and the Corporation for National Service.
- **Continuing Service of Former AmeriCorps Members**, an initiative of the Corporation for National Service.
Organizational Partners: American Red Cross, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Points of Light Foundation, United Way of America, YMCA of the USA, City Cares of America, Communities in Schools, Youth Service America, and America's Promise.

Background on the Fifth Promise

The historic Presidents' Summit for America's Future – held in Philadelphia in April 1997 – was designed to unleash a new level of energy, organizational commitment and citizen power to help turn the tide for millions of children and youth who lack five basic conditions for success. They are embodied in the five promises declared at Philadelphia and carried forth in the campaign for America's Promise led by General Colin Powell – that all young persons in America will have: (1) an ongoing relationship with a caring adult as mentor, tutor, coach; (2) safe places with structured activities to learn and grow during non-school hours; (3) a healthy start and a healthy future; (4) a marketable skill through effective education; and (5) an opportunity to give back through their own service to the community.

Every young person needs all five basic promises, and there must be a common strategy for delivering all five. But none of the promises is more important than the fifth one – that all young people be challenged, inspired, and given opportunities to serve.

Much attention is paid to what's wrong with today's children and youth – the problems of isolation, despair, and recklessness. The common response is to look to adults to help children. But much more attention must be given to the role young people themselves can play in delivering the five promises to their peers, to younger children, and to themselves.

Youth service – tapping into the talents and energies of young people – is part of the antidote this country needs for our toxic culture of violence, apathy, and alienation. Recent tragedies give ever more reason why we must invest in our young people, why we must ignite their imaginations, why we must engage their minds and bodies in working along side people of different racial, economic, and religious backgrounds to solve problems and achieve common goals. Young people must be seen – and see themselves – as resources and solutions, not as problems and victims. They must be asked to take responsibility, work hard, and become leaders.

Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "Everybody can be great because everybody can serve." To fulfill America's Promise, every young person must be challenged and inspired to realize this greatness. We must challenge families, schools, colleges and universities, communities of faith, national service and youth corps, and community organizations to create more high quality opportunities for young people to serve America.

Most importantly, we must ask. We must ask more of young people – to demonstrate their power to lead, to serve, to deliver America's Promise to their peers and themselves. A Gallup Poll showed that teens were nearly four times more likely to volunteer if they were asked than if they were not. So we must ask all young people to become active-duty citizens—and to discover their own potential through service.

History shows that great goals galvanize. The five promises of America's Promise have this same potential. Our vision – the vision of Promise Five – is to make citizen service the common expectation and common experience of all Americans. Raising people's sights to this vision is one of the nation's greatest needs.

*-- Taken from the working paper of the earlier advisory group on Promise Five:
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SURVEY SHOWS COMMUNITY SERVICE, SERVICE LEARNING ON THE RISE

A new survey shows that many public schools are encouraging students to perform community service and that much of this service is integrated into the curriculum, a practice known as service-learning.

According to the survey, approximately one-third of public schools use service-learning as part of the curriculum and nearly two-thirds have students involved in community service that is recognized or arranged by the school.

Furthermore, the study finds that community service and service-learning are now rooted in public education at all grade levels.

"Schools are teaching students to become better citizens by helping their fellow citizens," said U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley, "and making their community service even more relevant by linking it to what they learn in school. This is a good recipe for connecting education to life experiences. The increase in these activities is a good sign for our schools, our communities and our nation."

Riley added that he is encouraged by the complementary work of the Corporation for National Service, which is ensuring that students pursue quality in their community service experiences and that schools find innovative and effective ways to incorporate community service activities into their curricula.

"The survey confirms what we've been hearing from educators – that service learning makes a tremendous impact on students and their communities," said Harris Wofford, CEO of the corporation. "Students develop solid citizenship skills by participating in projects to make their communities better places to live."

Wofford will highlight findings from the report today in Philadelphia, along with James Kohlmoos, deputy assistant education secretary, and David Hornbeck, Philadelphia's superintendent of schools. During the event, students at Simon Gratz High School will demonstrate the impact that service-learning has had on their education.

Service-Learning and Community Service in K-12 Public Schools, released by the Education Department's National Center for Education Statistics, is the first study to provide reliable national estimates of the percentage of public K-12 schools incorporating service-learning into their course curriculum, as well as providing the most recent data on school engagement in community service.

Highlights from the survey include:

- Sixty-four percent of all public schools, including 83 percent of public high schools, had students participating in community service activities recognized by or arranged through the school;
- Fifty-seven percent of all public schools organized community service activities for their students;
- Thirty-two percent of all schools organized service-learning as part of their curriculum, including nearly half of all high schools;
- Most schools with service-learning cited strengthening relationships among students, the school and the community as key reasons for practicing service-learning; and
- Eighty-three percent of schools with service-learning offered some type of support to teachers integrating service-learning into the curriculum.

The survey also provides reliable national estimates on sources of funding to support community service and service-learning, school policies making participation in service-learning voluntary or mandatory, and how schools are implementing service-learning.



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MAJOR "DIGITAL DIVIDE" INITIATIVE LAUNCHED

**Coalition of Business, Nonprofits and Government Partner to Reach Underserved Youth in
Thousands of Communities and Schools**

**A Breakthrough in Technology Access and Education --
New Organization Created to Advance Goals of America's Promise**

AOL and Gateway CEOs Commit Internet Accounts, Computers and Millions in Grants

WASHINGTON, November 8, 1999 -- More than a dozen nonprofit organizations, major corporations and federal agencies today launched a major new multimillion dollar initiative to help ensure that America's underserved young people acquire the skills, experiences and resources they need to succeed in the digital age.

The new initiative, called PowerUP™, is a unique partnership to give underserved children access to technology and guidance on how to use it. Based in schools and community centers around the country, PowerUP not only will provide young people with access to the wide range of content and information on the Internet; it will also help them develop additional skills they need to succeed in the 21st century.

PowerUP will be able to scale quickly and reach thousands of young people because it will leverage partnerships with numerous public and private organizations, and build on thousands of existing community centers, schools and other locations nationwide. PowerUP partners will provide technology, funding, trained personnel, in-kind support and other resources to help close the divide between young people who have access to computer-based information or technology-related skills and those who don't.

AOL Chairman and CEO Steve Case, who is chairing PowerUP, said: "There's no single solution to bridging the digital divide -- it's going to take all of us working together to make a difference. In a few short years, the Internet has transformed nearly every aspect of our lives -- and is fast transforming our society. The real question we face now is how we can make sure that everyone benefits from these changes. We must take steps now so that in the Internet Century, no children are left behind."

Case added, "PowerUP has drawn inspiration from America's Promise to deliver positive youth development opportunities to the nation's young people. Its goal is not only to provide young people with access to computers and the Internet, but also to leverage technology's power and the potential of the online medium to help young people develop character and competence."

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Gateway Chairman and CEO Ted Waitt, a founding member of the board of PowerUP, said, "The gap between the Internet haves and have nots is widening along racial, economic and geographic lines, and we absolutely, positively cannot afford another divide in this country. We can pull together. Nothing is more important in our lives and in the future of our communities than ensuring all of our children have access to the tools and information they need to get ahead, and stay ahead."

Created as a nonprofit organization, PowerUP is guided by a board of directors that in addition to Case and Waitt includes: Erskine Bowles, partner at Forstmann Little and former White House chief of staff; Jean Case, President of the Case Foundation; Carly Fiorina, President and CEO of Hewlett-Packard Company; Jack Kemp, Co-Director of Empower America; David Mercer, National Executive Director of YMCA; Sam Nunn, Partner at King and Spalding and former U.S. Senator; Leon Panetta, Director of the Panetta Institute and former Director of OMB and White House chief of staff; Retired Army General Colin L. Powell, Chairman of America's Promise; Franklin Raines, Chairman and CEO of Fannie Mae; and Roger Staubach, Chairman and CEO, The Staubach Company.

A Compelling National Need

General Colin L. Powell (Ret.), Chairman of America's Promise, said, "PowerUP is a breakthrough initiative that our nation urgently needs. As I've traveled throughout the country, it has become clear to me that our future success as a nation will depend on how prepared our young people are for the challenges of the 21st century. PowerUP will bring to the nation's underserved youth the skills and experiences they need to build a successful future."

Harris Wofford, CEO of the Corporation for National Service, said, "AmeriCorps is proud to add people power to PowerUP. We know from experience that just putting computer hardware and an Internet connection in the schools is not enough. To unleash the full potential of young people -- and of the computer -- kids need to know more than just how to surf the net. They need to learn how to use computers to succeed in a digital world. AmeriCorps members will give students access to advanced technology and compelling programming, in a safe environment with a caring adult. Together, that's what all of us in PowerUP will do."

A Powerful Program Offering

PowerUP brings together several critical and innovative program elements to create a powerful offering for community centers, schools and other locations nationwide. Key elements include:

- **Computers and Internet Access** - Through major grants from the Waitt Family Foundation and the AOL Foundation, PowerUP will provide 50,000 computers and 100,000 AOL accounts for free Internet access to sites throughout the country.

- **Innovative, Life-enriching Interactive Programming** - A unique "PowerUP Online" guide aggregates information and organizes activities and resources according to the "five promises" identified by America's Promise as essential for children to become successful adults including: tools on how to find a mentor; fun and productive activities to do after school; healthy lifestyle information; exploration of career opportunities and how to acquire the skills needed to take advantage of them; community service; and links with real-time community youth program opportunities provided by participating local youth serving organizations. PowerUP Online, developed by the AOL Foundation, also includes a scholastic/academic component addressing educational achievement.
- **An Army of Trained Workers** - PowerUP will provide the people power needed to effectively train young people in attaining digital literacy skills while offering them an ongoing relationship with a caring adult in a safe environment. Initially more than 400 specially trained, full-time AmeriCorps*VISTA members and other staff will provide a sustained and trained presence at PowerUP-supported centers where needed. One of the shortcomings in technology education efforts to date has been lack of dedicated, capable adult staff to work with young people in centers on a regular basis.
- **Partnering with Key Groups to Scale Quickly and on a Large Scale** - PowerUP's goal is to scale quickly to reach a national level. It will do this in two ways: by engaging key partner groups at the national and local levels, and by providing flexible program options for existing centers.
 - *Youth-serving organizations* - PowerUP will partner with local YMCAs, Boys & Girls Clubs, Save the Children's "Web of Support" centers, National Urban League, and other organizations with roots in thousands of communities across the country to connect young people with additional learning and positive youth development activities such as after-school sports, arts and crafts, or other classes and technology services.
 - *Federal agencies* - In keeping with a PowerUP goal of enhancing scholastic achievement and digital literacy, PowerUP will partner with the U.S. Department of Education's Computer Technology Centers and 21st Century Community Learning Centers to supplement and complement educational goals of children both during and after school hours.
 - *Corporations* - Companies that have established their own sites or technology programs may choose to add PowerUP program elements, and/or supply additional financing or in-kind support either at the national or local level.
 - *Private individuals and foundations* - Financial and in-kind support.

- **Millions of Dollars in Local Community Grants** - PowerUP will provide an initial total of \$5 million in direct grants to community- and school-based centers who wish to participate in the PowerUP program. Grants may be used for any activities or resource needs that are consistent with PowerUP's program goals.
- **Links with Schools** - PowerUP works to enhance scholastic achievement and national digital literacy goals by forming partnerships with local schools and educators. A section of the PowerUP Online guide features a scholastic approach to educational attainment linked to academic curricula, and AmeriCorps*VISTA members are responsible for connecting the PowerUP program with local schools to supplement and complement educational goals of young people both at school and after school.
- **Healthy Snacks** - Through its partnership with PowerBar Inc., PowerUP will provide PowerUP-supported sites with healthy snacks, including PowerBars, PowerBar Harvest bars, and PowerBar Essentials bars.

Steve Case said, "We recognize that there are many projects underway in communities across the nation that seek to bridge the digital divide, but they are fragmented and lack the scale necessary to attract significant resources. PowerUP will help knit these initiatives into a national tapestry and jump-start a crusade that can change the lives of millions of kids, bringing together an unprecedented combination of people, skills and resources."

"PowerUP offers us the opportunity to make dramatic progress in establishing consistent, quality-oriented methods and resources to ensure that technology centers and programs across the country share a common standard of excellence in driving positive youth development," Case said. "Just as the nation made a successful commitment to ensuring that every child has access to public education starting at the age of five, we must now commit ourselves to ensuring that in the 21st century every child in America has access to technology so that no one falls behind. This mission is what PowerUP is all about."

Partnership Brings Funds, People, Skills and Resources

The PowerUP partnership brings a range of support services and resources to community centers, schools and other youth service locations around the country:

- **National Benefactors** - National benefactors of PowerUP include the Case Foundation, the Waitt Family Foundation, AOL Inc./AOL Foundation, and The Corporation for National Service (which houses AmeriCorps*VISTA), and The YMCA of the USA. These organizations will bring money, computers, access, interactive programming, trained staff and other community-based services on a large scale to sites across the nation:

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- *The Case Foundation*, established by Steve and Jean Case, will provide an initial grant of \$10 million to establish PowerUP. The grant includes \$5 million to cover all staff and administrative costs of the program, enabling partnership contributions to go directly to supporting or establishing in-site programs for youth at centers across the country. Another \$5 million will provide the local community grants to benefit up to 5,000 local community centers and school-based sites nationwide.
- *The Waitt Family Foundation*, established by Ted and Joan Waitt and their family, will supply computer hardware to PowerUP by providing 50,000 Gateway computers and Internet appliances over the next three years.
- *AOL Inc./The AOL Foundation* has donated its resources and staff to develop PowerUP Online, a first-of-its kind interactive programming guide built around the "five promises" that America's Promise has identified as essential for children to become successful adults. PowerUP Online aggregates valuable content and organizes activities and resources in an easy-to-use format for use in grades K-12. In addition, 100,000 AOL accounts are being provided for centers that need them.
- *The Corporation for National Service (AmeriCorps*VISTA)* is bringing people power to PowerUP. Initially more than 400 AmeriCorps*VISTA members and others in AmeriCorps will be trained and deployed to provide dedicated, full-time mentoring and other assistance to schools, YMCAs, Boys & Girls Clubs, National Urban League centers, Save the Children "Web of Support" centers, the U.S. Department of Education's Computer Technology Centers and 21st Century Community Learning Centers, and other community technology centers across the country.
- *The YMCA of the USA* will provide service-learning and positive youth development opportunities for young people at PowerUP-supported sites, including providing a sustained presence of caring, supportive adults who regularly interact with parents and teachers in the community.
- **Founding National Partners** - Founding national partners who will support the program through their existing networks of community-based centers, training programs, in-kind contributions and other activities include Sun Microsystems, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Save the Children, National Urban League, Communities in Schools, FamilyEducation Network, PowerBar Inc., and the U.S. Department of Education's Computer Technology Centers and 21st Century Community Learning Centers.

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- **Founding Local Sponsors** - Founding local sponsors who have established pilot sites for PowerUP in their communities include Microsoft, Sun Microsystems, the Northern Virginia Technology Council, and the Case Foundation. The sites are located in San Jose, CA; Seattle, WA; Alexandria, VA; and Washington, DC. The sites are additionally supported by the YMCAs of Santa Clara Valley, Greater Seattle, and Metropolitan Washington, which provide service-learning and positive youth development opportunities.

PowerUP is a commitment to America's Promise. America's Promise – The Alliance for Youth led by General Colin Powell, is dedicated to mobilizing individuals, groups and organizations from every part of American life, to build and strengthen the character and competence of our youth.

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