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January 29, 1999

The Honorable William J. Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Clinton,

It has been over five years since you signed the National and Community Service Act on September 21, 1993. In those five years, more than 100,000 men and women have served in AmeriCorps and thousands of students and senior citizens have served their communities through programs supported by the Corporation for National Service. Their accomplishments are highlighted in the enclosed Annual Report for 1997 for the Corporation for National Service.

I am pleased to provide you with a copy of this report that has been transmitted to Congress to meet the Corporation's reporting requirements under the National and Community Service Act of 1990, as amended, and the Government Corporation Control Act, 31 U.S.C. 9101. It includes required reports on the National Service Trust, 42 U.S.C. 12601(d), and the Corporation's Gift Fund, 42 U.S.C. 12651d(b)(9)(A)-(B).

Through the support of the Corporation for National Service, over one million Americans of all ages and backgrounds helped solve problems and build stronger communities in thousands of service programs across the nation in 1997. Whether serving full- or part-time in AmeriCorps, National Senior Service Corps, school or community-based programs supported by Learn and Serve America, national service participants brought about lasting improvement in our communities and proved that service is an effective strategy for meeting vital needs in education, public safety, the environment, and other human needs.

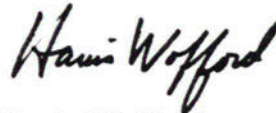
In addition, during 1997, the Corporation made significant progress to improve its financial management. The Inspector General concluded that the Corporation's balance sheet could be audited and, subsequently, the Corporation received a qualified opinion on its statement of financial position. This is an important milestone in the Corporation's continued efforts to achieve an unqualified opinion on its full set of financial statements.



The Honorable William J. Clinton
January 29, 1999
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The accomplishments highlighted in this report represent only a small fraction of the lives and communities improved by national service. Your support and leadership in national service helped make this possible. The Corporation is proud of its record of accomplishment, and I look forward to working with you to make citizen service a common expectation and common experience of all Americans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Harris Wofford". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "H".

Harris Wofford

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EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

1997 Annual Report to Congress

The Corporation for National Service was established when President Clinton signed into law the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993. That Act built upon and expanded the programs of the Commission for National and Community Service, initiated under the National and Community Service Act of 1990, signed by President Bush. The 1993 Act also combined into the Corporation the Senior Service Programs and the Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) programs operated under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act, developed under the Administrations of Presidents Johnson and Nixon.

Congress gave the new Corporation for National Service the following mandate in its statement of purpose (42 U.S.C. 12501):

1. Meet the unmet human, educational, environmental, and public safety needs of the United States, without displacing existing workers;
2. Renew the ethic of civic responsibility and the spirit of community throughout the United States;
3. Expand educational opportunity by rewarding individuals who participate in national service with an increased ability to pursue higher education or job training;
4. Encourage citizens of the United States, regardless of age, income, or disability, to engage in full-time or part-time national service;
5. Reinvent government to eliminate duplication, support locally established initiatives, require measurable goals for performance, and offer flexibility in meeting those goals;
6. Expand and strengthen existing service programs with demonstrated experience in providing structured service opportunities with visible benefits to the participants and community;
7. Build on the existing organizational service infrastructure of Federal, State, and local programs and agencies to expand full-time and part-time service opportunities for all citizens; and
8. Provide tangible benefits to the communities in which national service is performed.

The Corporation seeks to accomplish these purposes through grants to organizations that provide service opportunities for citizens of all ages and backgrounds to help meet the critical needs of communities in states, Indian tribes, and U.S. territories. The Corporation organizes its work in three streams of service:

- **AmeriCorps** is the national service program that engages thousands of Americans of all ages and backgrounds in full-time and sustained part-time community service, and provides education awards upon completion of a term of service.
- **Learn and Serve America** supports and promotes service-learning in schools, universities, and communities. Through structured service activities that help meet community needs, more than 1 million students each year improve their academic learning, develop personal skills, and practice responsible citizenship.
- The **National Senior Service Corps** is a network of some 500,000 citizens age 55 and older who participate in the Foster Grandparent Program, the Senior Companion Program, and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). These programs tap the experience, skills, talents, and creativity of America's seniors.

This annual report covers activities supported by funds available from the fiscal year 1997 appropriation. For the Corporation's grant programs, including AmeriCorps*State/National, Learn and Serve America, and most of the National Senior Service Corps, these funds are used by grantees primarily in the 1997-98 program year. Other programs, such as AmeriCorps*VISTA and AmeriCorps*National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), use the majority of the funds in the year in which the appropriation occurs. Accomplishments in each of these programs are provided in subsequent chapters, along with a brief description of management and program support activities.

The Corporation also implements a number of innovation and demonstration programs under the authority of Subtitle H of the Act. In 1997, these included the AmeriCorps Education Awards Program and grants supporting service activities on the Martin Luther King holiday. Local or national community service organizations assume the cost of supporting AmeriCorps members and the Corporation funds the education awards. Other initiatives included Seniors for Schools (described in the National Senior Service Corps portion of this report) and National Service Scholarships for high school juniors and seniors with outstanding school and service records.

The Presidents' Summit on America's Future and the America Reads Challenge were dominant themes for national service in 1997. Fulfilling the goals set at the Summit and meeting the challenge that every American child should be able to read independently by the end of third grade will be a fundamental part of the Corporation for National Service's priorities and programs in the coming years.

On April 27-29, 1997, President Clinton, former Presidents Bush, Carter and Ford, and former First Lady Nancy Reagan convened the Presidents' Summit for America's Future in Philadelphia. Led by Summit Chair General Colin Powell, 3,000 Americans met to launch a campaign to meet the critical needs of children and youth. Representatives of all 50 states and 150 communities identified five fundamental resources that are essential to healthy, fulfilling and productive lives for the nation's youth: (1) an on-going relationship with a caring adult, tutor, mentor or coach; (2) safe places with structured activities in which to learn and grow; (3) a healthy start and healthy future; (4) an effective education that equips them with marketable skills and (5) an opportunity to give back to their communities through their own service. Targets have been set and America's Promise: The Alliance for Youth, a new organization led by General Powell, has been established to help communities pursue the goals of the Summit. The Corporation for National Service is the lead agency for Goal 5; providing youth with an opportunity to give back through community service.

In 1997, National Service Scholarships were awarded to 1,700 high schools to recognize students with outstanding community service accomplishments. Business, civic and fraternal organizations have joined state and local governments to match the Corporation's \$500 scholarship awards. Congress provided funding to support as many as 10,000 National Service Scholarships. The Corporation also joined with over 30 service organizations in the "Prevention through Service" alliance to support youth service and substance abuse prevention and provided service-learning coordinators to all Washington, DC public high schools as well as 20 Philadelphia schools.

National service has always been actively engaged in literacy and reading programs. This has enabled the Corporation to rapidly respond to the America Reads Challenge, which calls for children to read independently by the end of third grade. Through the Seniors for Schools initiative, teams of seniors are now helping children learn to read in nine communities across America. The Corporation is collaborating with the U.S. Department of Education in a major effort to involve college work-study students as reading tutors, with more than 1,000 institutions of higher education pledged to participate. Most of the increased funding approved by Congress for the Corporation's fiscal year 1998 budget has been earmarked for America Reads activities.

The Corporation is proud of the accomplishments of the programs it supports throughout the country. Everywhere these local programs are making a difference in their communities and addressing the challenges facing our nation. This annual report provides only a glimpse of the service provided by hundreds of thousands of citizens involved in AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America and the National Senior Service Corps.

AMERICORPS

In 1997, more than 45,000 Americans serving in AmeriCorps helped communities address challenges in the areas of education, public safety, health and human needs, and the environment.

AmeriCorps engages Americans, age 17 and older, in community service and provides education awards upon successful completion of a term of service. The service comes through hundreds of local, state, and national organizations with whom AmeriCorps forms partnerships to involve people in results-driven community service.

Members who serve full-time for a year receive an education award worth \$4,725. The awards are paid out as vouchers by the Corporation's National Service Trust and must be redeemed within seven years at qualified institutions of higher education or vocational training, to either pay for current education costs or to pay down qualified student loans incurred in previous enrollments in school. AmeriCorps participants can earn, at most, two education awards.

AmeriCorps is comprised of three programs, each with a different history and focus.

AmeriCorps*National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) was created in 1992 as part of the Defense conversion bill. Closely modeled on the original Civilian Conservation Corps, the NCCC is a 10-month, full-time residential service program for men and women, ages 18 to 24. AmeriCorps*NCCC combines the best practices of civilian service with the best aspects of military service, including leadership and team building. Campuses are located in Charleston, S.C.; Denver, Colo.; Perry Point, Md.; San Diego, Calif.; and Washington, D.C.

AmeriCorps*VISTA, for more than 30 years, has helped increase the capability of people to improve their lives through employment training, literacy programs, housing assistance, health education, entrepreneurship, and neighborhood revitalization. AmeriCorps*VISTA members serve full-time in communities, creating programs that can continue after they complete their service.



"Our national security depends on the assurance of opportunity to compete fairly for American ideals and dreams. AmeriCorps helps secure those ideals and bridge the gap to those dreams for the economically and socially disadvantaged."

From an editorial supporting national service legislation in the January 14, 1998 Portland Oregonian.

AmeriCorps*State programs are located in state and local non-profits, local government agencies, and educational institutions that receive grants from state commissions, in partnership with the Corporation for National Service. These programs meet a variety of needs identified by communities.

AmeriCorps*National is a grant program through which national non-profit organizations receive grants directly from the Corporation for National Service to operate programs in two or more states.

AmeriCorps*Tribes and Territories programs receive grants directly from the Corporation for National Service to meet the needs of Native American Tribes and the territories of American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

AmeriCorps*Education Awards Programs, a new category of state and national programs, expands opportunities for individuals to perform community service and earn education awards as AmeriCorps members. Program sponsors receive little or no funds from the Corporation. Rather, sponsoring organizations apply to the Corporation for education awards for their participants. If they meet standards of quality and impact set by the Corporation, the participating members are eligible to receive education awards upon completion of service.

During 1997, the first year of the Education Awards Program, the Corporation approved 103 programs, with about 14,000 new members performing a wide range of community service activities in national, state, and local programs. Over half the new programs are sponsored by organizations not previously working with the Corporation, such as the Boys and Girls Clubs of America.

AmeriCorps members are united by four common goals:

- **Getting Things Done** through direct and demonstrated service that helps solve community problems in the areas of education, public safety, health and human needs, and the environment.

"You are taking your passion and turning it into product, into commitment."

--Pew Charitable Trust President

*Rebecca Rimel welcomes
AmeriCorps City Year members to
Philadelphia.*

- **Strengthening Communities** by bringing together Americans of all ages and backgrounds in the common effort to improve our communities.
- **Encouraging Responsibility** by enabling members to explore and exercise their responsibilities toward their communities, their families, and themselves.
- **Expanding Opportunity** by enhancing members' educational opportunities and life experiences and skills.

AmeriCorps*State/National Programs

Program Overview

Fiscal year 1997 was the fourth year of the AmeriCorps* State/National grants program. This was a time to strengthen program quality and build on the lessons learned to ensure demonstrable results from AmeriCorps members working in the community. It was also a period of growth and development for the Governor-appointed State Commissions for National Service, which administer the state programs. In the fourth year, increased authority was devolved to the Commissions, as they were given increased levels of decision-making and monitoring responsibilities.

In fiscal year 1997, more than 40,000 AmeriCorps members served in 600 programs. AmeriCorps*State programs are all funded through, and overseen by, the Governor-appointed State Commissions. AmeriCorps*National programs are funded directly by the Corporation.

Program Accomplishments

EDUCATION

The 21st Century Scholars Indiana (Statewide)

The 21st Century Scholars are low-income students who sign a pledge to stay drug- and crime-free through high school, graduate, and then apply to an Indiana college. In exchange for living up to the pledge, Scholars earn four years of college tuition from the state. AmeriCorps members provide 21st Century Scholars with tutoring, mentoring and service opportunities. Members have recruited over 1,000 volunteers to assist with tutoring and mentoring, helping 7,500 Scholars make it to college.

AmeriCorps Campus Link Program Mississippi (Statewide)

The AmeriCorps Campus Link program is a unique partnership of 20 universities and colleges. Two AmeriCorps

Characteristics of AmeriCorps* State/National Members:

Gender:

Female 69%
Male 31%

Age

21 or younger 23%
22-29 47%
30-37 13%
38-45 10%
Over 45 8%

Ethnicity

Caucasian 45%
African American 29%
Hispanic 20%
Asian/Pacific Islander ... 2%
American Indian/Alaskan
Native 2%
Other 3%

Education Completed

Less than High School 6%
High School Diploma 19%
AA degree/Some college 39%
Bachelor's degree/Some
Graduate School 30%
Graduate Degree 6%

members are placed at each college campus. The AmeriCorps members strengthen and enhance volunteer centers on campus and recruit student volunteers to provide educational support to children in public schools. Members have recruited 700 college volunteers to provide tutoring services to 700 second-, third-, and fourth-graders who were reading below grade level. In just one semester, 28 percent of the elementary students increased by three or more reading levels, 25 percent increased two reading levels and 33 percent increased one reading level.

Marazul Community Coalition, Inc.
Arroyo, Puerto Rico

AmeriCorps members provide tutoring in English, Spanish, mathematics, and science at four schools for at-risk youngsters age 9 to 14. Members have also established an after-school program to help drop-outs obtain their high school equivalency diplomas. Since the beginning of the service year, the 20 members have provided over 2,000 hours of tutoring services to more than 100 youngsters and have planned and supervised over 300 hours of after-school activities for nearly 1,000 youth participants.

Washington Service Corps
Federal Way, Washington

Federal Way School District AmeriCorps members served in 33 schools to increase student academic achievement through individual and small group tutoring and mentoring. AmeriCorps members provided over 6,700 hours of service in classrooms, after-school study clubs, computer labs, and intramural activities with special emphasis on academic achievement for at-risk and English as a Second Language students. Teachers reported that 78 percent of the students served by AmeriCorps members demonstrated increased academic skills and more than 90 percent displayed more positive attitudes toward school.

"AmeriCorps captures the promise found in all citizens, young and old, who see problems in their community and work together to solve them. You have come together, as have others in communities across the country, in the true spirit of service. Today, we reaffirm traditions we hold so dearly in Michigan—community, volunteerism, and service to others."

*--Governor John Engler of
Michigan speaks to
AmeriCorps members.*

"We don't ask them why they couldn't read before, we just sit down and help them."

*--AmeriCorps member
Jennifer Pearson serves as an
adult literacy tutor in St.
George, Utah.*

PUBLIC SAFETY

Rochester AmeriCorps, Monroe Community College Rochester, New York

Six AmeriCorps members team with the Rochester Police Department's PAC/TAC (Police and Citizens Together Against Crime) program, a type of citizen patrol. They work in pairs, patrolling neighborhoods on foot. Community residents say that the patrols increase police presence and offer an opportunity for citizens to get involved in crime prevention. In a one-month period, AmeriCorps members freed up over 600 hours of officers' time and helped open two new police mini-stations.

Community Safety Project, The Enterprise Foundation York, Pennsylvania

Thirty AmeriCorps members serve in the Community Safety Project, which is administered through a partnership between the South George Street Community Partnership and the Enterprise Foundation. The project improves the physical conditions that lead to crime and social disorder through partnerships with local resident groups and the police department. Last year, the members provided services to almost 500 victims of crime and physical abuse. Members repaired locks, installed fences and replaced broken windows. The AmeriCorps members identified 26 problem locations that ranged from drug activities, abandoned and junk-filled properties, loitering and waste management hazards. Members helped eliminate these problems by sealing the abandoned buildings, discouraging loitering and encouraging police patrols.

ENVIRONMENT

Elkhart EnviroCorps, City of Elkhart Elkhart, Indiana

AmeriCorps members serving in the Elkhart EnviroCorps have cleared over 120 tons of trash from riverbanks and neighborhoods, developed a nature preserve with over two miles of trails,

"There's some real beautiful country out here, and I want to keep it that way."

*--AmeriCorps member Nancy
Flensburg works to get a new
landfill to prevent waste run-off in
Ugashik, Alaska*

"Here I am serving my community and not only am I getting a great experience and money for college, but I'm also getting the best reward of all: love, trust, and a better look at tomorrow."

*--AmeriCorps member Abby
Davenport serves with the Las
Vegas, Nevada, Boys and Girls
Club*

constructed a 50-foot pier out of recycled plastic lumber, and planted and maintained an 80-acre prairie. In response to the 1997 spring floods, five EnviroCorps members went door-to-door in southwestern Indiana providing information and helping families cope with flood damage. As a result, EnviroCorps was selected as a model teaching program for the Presidents' Summit for America's Future.

CLEARCorps

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Sixteen AmeriCorps members with CLEARCorps reduced lead exposure in 26 homes by providing in-place paint management and monitoring and measuring of lead levels. Through their efforts, 25 of the 26 homes, representing 56,000 square feet, reached city standards, with the 26th awaiting inspection. In addition, the members conducted community education programs about the dangers of lead poisoning to 30 community groups at area schools, day care providers, and community centers. AmeriCorps members also recruited five volunteers to provide interpretation services in Hmong, Spanish, and Somali so that members could provide in-home education about potential lead hazards and conduct risk assessments.

OTHER HUMAN NEEDS

Life Span Services Network

San Luis Obispo, California

Fifty-five AmeriCorps members mentor more than 300 high-risk teenagers to decrease juvenile crime, substance abuse, and teen pregnancy, and increase school success. Sixty-eight percent of teen parents mentored by AmeriCorps members graduated from high school or made appropriate progress toward graduation. Recidivism among juvenile offenders mentored by AmeriCorps members was less than half that of similar offenders who did not have help from AmeriCorps members. Seventy-three percent of mentored juvenile offenders quit or decreased drug or alcohol use, and 82 percent stated that their AmeriCorps mentor helped change the direction of their life.

"Someday I'd like to see it like it was before. More ducks, more trees, less trash."

*--AmeriCorps member
Klavius Jackson played in
Newark, New Jersey's Passaic
River as a child. Now he is
helping clean it up.*

"In our county, AmeriCorps members painting over gang graffiti, revitalizing an abandoned county park, installed landscaping around a new hospital, performed drug education programs, and restored a downtown park. But most of all, AmeriCorps members have motivated some 300 volunteers in a small community and they've instilled pride in everybody."

*--Joe B. Garcias, Brooks
County Texas Judge*

Metro Jackson Service Coalition, Hinds County Resource Agency, Jackson, Mississippi

In the Metro Jackson Service Coalition AmeriCorps program, members helped build 29 homes for first-time home buyers in the Midtown neighborhood, provided 457 elementary and middle-school students with after-school mentoring, tutoring, and literacy assistance, participated in 11 community clean-ups, helped provide intensive counseling to approximately 20 adolescent offenders, partnered with the U.S. Attorney's Office to develop a directory to aid the Jackson Police Department in new community policing initiatives, staffed inner-city day camps for more than 950 children, leveraged over 7,600 volunteers who served for over 60,000 hours, and provided outreach for over 300 teens at six safe zone centers.

"I always knew what the problems were. Now I know I can contribute to the solutions."

---Bill Powell, AmeriCorps Leader, Blackfeet Health and Safety Corps, Browning, Montana

Appalachia Habitat for Humanity
Robins, Morgan and Scott Counties, Tennessee

Through the Appalachia Habitat for Humanity Program, eight AmeriCorps members recruited or directly supervised 830 community volunteers, including more than 500 during the International Jimmy Carter Work Project. During this intense "blitz build," the AmeriCorps members supervised construction of 10 homes in Morgan and Scott counties in one week. With a public investment of less than \$90,000, AmeriCorps members leveraged community volunteers to build four homes and rehabilitate 10 others.

"You are putting me out of business. Keep doing it!"

--Charles Hynes, the Brooklyn, New York District Attorney, speaks to members Hook Safety Corps, who provide crime prevention service to the community.

Building Blocks: Renewing Neighborhoods,
The Greater Dallas Community of Churches
Dallas, Texas

AmeriCorps members in the Building Blocks Program tutor low-achieving third-grade students, lead low-income youth through structured learning activities before and after school and during the summer break, and provide parenting education classes to teen parents.

As a result of members' service, reading scores rose at one Dallas elementary school by more than 50 percent and math scores by more than 28 percent. During the summer, members served as coordinators at more than 12 feeding and recreation sites which provided 5,000 low-income youth with one nutritious meal per day along with structured recreation.

AmeriCorps*VISTA

Program Overview

With President Johnson's declaration of the "War on Poverty," VISTA was born. He stated, "your pay will be low; the conditions of your labor often will be difficult. But you will have the satisfaction of leading a great national effort, and you will have the ultimate reward which comes to those who serve their fellow man." This great national effort continues to be a driving force through thousands of members each year, helping low-income Americans realize the means to revitalize their dreams and renew their communities.

In 1997, AmeriCorps*VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) completed its 33rd year of helping low-income people become self-sufficient. Over the years, well over 120,000 individuals have served with 15,000 project sponsors, committing at least one year of full-time service to communities in need in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. VISTA is part of the AmeriCorps national service network and its purpose is to build the capacity of low-income communities to meet their own needs. The program's mission is:

- Strengthen and supplement efforts to eliminate poverty and poverty-related programs;
- Encourage and enable persons from all walks of life and age groups, including elderly and retired Americans, to engage in constructive volunteer service;
- Generate the commitment of private sector resources;
- Encourage volunteer service at the local level;
- Strengthen the capacities of local agencies and organizations.

Characteristics of AmeriCorps* VISTA Members

Gender:

Female	80%
Male	20%

Age:

21 or younger	6%
22-29	39%
30-37	17%
38-45	16%
Over 45	22%

Ethnicity:

Caucasian	57%
African American	26%
Hispanic	11%
Asian/Pacific Islander	2%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	2%
Other	2%

Education Completed:

Less than high school	3%
High school diploma	14%
Associates degree/some college	35%
Bachelor's degree/some graduate school	40%
Graduate degree	8%

In fiscal year 1997 AmeriCorps*VISTA, with an appropriation of \$41,235,000, assigned more than 4,000 members to 1,000 projects to strengthen the capacity of small community-based organizations, and initiate and expand programs serving low-income people. Members are assigned to local public and private non-profit organizations to work toward meeting needs as determined by the community. The AmeriCorps*VISTA member's role in addressing the problems of poverty in a community is to mobilize community resources, recruit local volunteers, and increase the capacity of the low-income community to sustain program activities. AmeriCorps*VISTA members solve problems in the areas of human needs, health, education, public safety, and the environment. Members are recruited locally by sponsoring organizations and nationally by the Corporation for National Service. Most projects are small with three to five AmeriCorps*VISTA members serving.

Program Accomplishments

Because AmeriCorps*VISTA is a limited resource for the sponsoring organization, members generate private sector support and recruit volunteers from the community who will continue project activities after AmeriCorps*VISTA resources are removed. In this, AmeriCorps*VISTA's efforts have been impressive. A study prepared by WESTAT, Inc. of Bethesda, Maryland determined that:

- The benefit to cost ratio for AmeriCorps*VISTA is \$3.33 worth of generated contributions and community volunteer service for every federal AmeriCorps*VISTA dollar spent— more than three to one ratio;
- AmeriCorps*VISTA members generated cash and in-kind contributions of \$82,000,000 (Cash contributions were \$37 million; in-kind contributions were \$45 million);

"The unique part of our program that makes it so successful is the blend of community residents who have the contacts and walk the streets of the community and national recruits like me who want to learn. The knowledge that they have is overwhelming. It works best because of our willingness to work together."

--Kelly Burke, AmeriCorps VISTA
Leader, Highbridge Community Life
Center, Bronx, New York*

"She's been the glue that has brought us together," says the Durham Director of Communities in Schools

*--AmeriCorps*VISTA member Bronwyn
Glenn established mentoring and
tutoring programs for Communities in
Schools in Durham, N.C. and recruited
local university students and African-
American business leaders to serve as
community volunteers.*

- In one project alone, members were instrumental in securing \$10 million in new book donations and vouchers from textbook publishers, which benefited over one million school children.
- Members recruited approximately 140,600 community volunteers who provided more than 4 million hours of service to their communities.
- The estimated dollar value of the services provided by the community volunteers (who were recruited by AmeriCorps* VISTA members) ranged from \$20.8 million (based on the federal minimum hourly wage) to \$55.3 million (based on the Independent Sector's valuation of the equivalent hourly wage for volunteers); and
- On average, each AmeriCorps*VISTA member recruited 58 community volunteers for their local projects.

"The effects of the VISTA member's work will remain as the foundation we continue to build on."

*--Jean Nelson is Director of the United Way of Wyandotte County, Kansas, where AmeriCorps*VISTA members are developing a regional volunteer recruitment and placement system.*

EDUCATION

In 1997, AmeriCorps*VISTA members serving with more than 300 education programs:

- established or expanded adult and child literacy programs;
- conducted outreach programs to enroll individuals in GED or high school diploma equivalency programs;
- recruited, trained and coordinated volunteer tutors;
- gathered books, supplies and cash donations to sustain programs; and
- built school and community partnerships that will continue after the AmeriCorps*VISTA members are gone.

"The heart of our mission is to be there when the schools are not."

*--Tanya Arnaiz and Deborah Stiran are AmeriCorps*VISTA members developing out-of-school time programs in Philadelphia*

The Laurel County Literacy Council in Kentucky expanded its AmeriCorps*VISTA project activities to include five nearby counties. AmeriCorps*VISTA members have concentrated their efforts on resource mobilization. For example, the Kentucky Department of Adult Education and Literacy received a \$17,500 grant to purchase laptop computers in each of the counties. Fundraising events netted over \$1,500 for student transportation for the McCreary County Adult Literacy Program.

AmeriCorps*VISTA members serve with Partners in Learning of Odessa, Texas, developing and expanding programs in ESL, computer training, literacy, parenting, life skills, and GED, using mentors and tutors to guide participants through the programs. Members have recruited 243 student/tutor partners, established seven learning sites, and developed ESL classes at 10 sites. They have also raised \$30,000 in cash and \$25,000 in in-kind donations.

One AmeriCorps*VISTA member, assigned to Kansas City Public Television (KCPT), which broadcasts GED, literacy, pre-GED and English as a Second Language (for Spanish speakers) classes to individuals who might not be able to go to a literacy center but can learn in their own homes, began a partnership with the local water company and had 145,000 inserts placed in water bills promoting GED on TV. Nearly 700 students enrolled in GED on TV, with many recruited by the AmeriCorps*VISTA member through a call-in enrollment show. Since the program began, the literacy/GED broadcasts have helped approximately 200 individuals obtain their high school equivalency diploma. The member also began a telephone tutoring program, where participants can call for assistance from a trained tutor, who then makes follow-up calls to check on their progress.

AMERICA READS

The America Reads Challenge--that all children read well and independently by the end of third grade--requires mobilizing appropriately trained reading tutors and partners from all walks of life, working closely with teachers and schools to enhance children's learning. AmeriCorps*VISTA has already begun to meet this challenge by committing members to recruit, screen, train, and place

"The mission of the AmeriCorps*VISTA members is not to provide direct services, but to develop innovative outreach ideas that can benefit people long after the member has left."

*--Lynette Walker, Texas
Department of Public Health,
directs AmeriCorps*VISTA
members who coordinate
children's health programs
throughout the state*

community volunteers to serve as reading tutors and mentors. Members create and expand partnerships between schools and communities.

As part of the effort to increase children's reading skills, the Oregon Children's Foundation's SMART programs encourage and support reading by children from kindergarten through second grade. Thirty-two AmeriCorps*VISTA members recruit and train community volunteers to read with children. They also educate the public about the program, write grant proposals, develop partnerships and mobilize resources. So far, 4,000 local volunteers have been recruited for 78 schools across Oregon. Private sector support has been provided by Nike, Intel, Smith Barney and Wal-Mart.

WELFARE TO WORK/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

As changes in welfare laws take effect, AmeriCorps*VISTA members assigned to 200 projects are training and finding employment for many former welfare recipients. In 1997, AmeriCorps*VISTA members placed 3,700 individuals in jobs at an average hourly wage of \$6.77 and, working with 800 private businesses, enabled more than 1,900 welfare recipients to obtain employment. In Washington State, AmeriCorps*VISTA members assigned to the Spokane Neighborhood Action Program developed and coordinated community service internships for welfare clients mandated to obtain work experience while performing community service. At the Fremont Public Association in Seattle, they are assisting women to overcome obstacles to long-term employment, including transportation, skill training and child care.

Members are also expanding microenterprise opportunities for low-income communities. In 1997, they helped 430 individuals or businesses obtain development capital and helped establish or expand nearly 800 microenterprise businesses.

AmeriCorps*VISTA members serving with the Massachusetts Working Capital Program are assisting low and moderate income businesses in about 20 economically distressed communities. The project utilizes a unique peer lending model to provide loans, training and support to

"True change comes from the grassroots work we do. Being able to affect people and communities one-by-one is the most effective way to make a lasting difference."

*--AmeriCorps*VISTA member
Joanna Messing facilitates a peer
lending group in Holyoke, MA.
She serves in the Massachusetts
Association of Community
Development Corporations
program.*

microenterprises. Through the efforts of the members in 1997, more than 1,000 businesses have participated and invested over \$1 million in the peer lending process. Over 140 new jobs have been created in addition to the employment of the owners of the microenterprises themselves. The VISTA members play a vital role in recruiting potential Working Capital business owners and assisting them in the development of marketing strategies.

Thirty-two AmeriCorps*VISTA members are serving with 28 credit unions nationwide through the National Federation of Community Development Credit Unions. Members are developing Individual Development Account (IDA) programs and home ownership counseling, small and micro-business training, raising capital matches for accounts, and promoting the program in the low-income community. In six months, members recruited 2,500 new credit union members and established eight youth credit union programs. They also helped market, design, and implement 27 new programs or products including IDAs, mortgage loans, small business lending, direct deposit, share accounts, and financial education seminars.

"The community has to remember that, for the program to be a success, it has to continue after I'm gone."

*--AmeriCorps*VISTA member
Sheryl Simmons coordinates a
child immunization program in
Fremont, Ohio*

HEALTH/NUTRITION

In the areas of health and nutrition, AmeriCorps*VISTA members assigned to nearly 150 projects:

- established or expanded 170 immunization programs reaching more than 47,000 children and adults;
- provided 155,000 individuals or families with health information or educational materials;
- enrolled 17,000 people in the WIC program; and
- established or expanded 90 food banks.

The sudden closing of a health care clinic in rural Illinois created a major problem for residents who could not travel 30 miles to the next closest facility. To reestablish local health care, AmeriCorps*VISTA members from the Champaign County Health Care Consumers in Champaign-

Urbana, Illinois, led efforts to hold public strategy forums, establish a non-profit corporation, negotiate with a large hospital in Champaign-Urbana, and raise over \$60,000 to establish a community owned and operated clinic. The new clinic opened in early 1997 and is fully staffed with a physician, nurse, receptionist, and bookkeeper. The AmeriCorps*VISTA resource has been removed but the clinic continues to thrive, supported by the community it serves.

PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY

The typical length of an AmeriCorps*VISTA project is three to five years after which community resources and residents take over project activities. A recent evaluation conducted by People Works, Inc. found that 69 percent of the projects begun with the support of AmeriCorps*VISTA members continued to operate five years after the members completed their assignments. This reflects the self-help philosophy of AmeriCorps*VISTA with its goal of increasing the capacity of communities served to solve their own problems. Each sponsoring organization plans from the beginning to phase out AmeriCorps*VISTA resources after three to five years and have the community take over and sustain those activities.

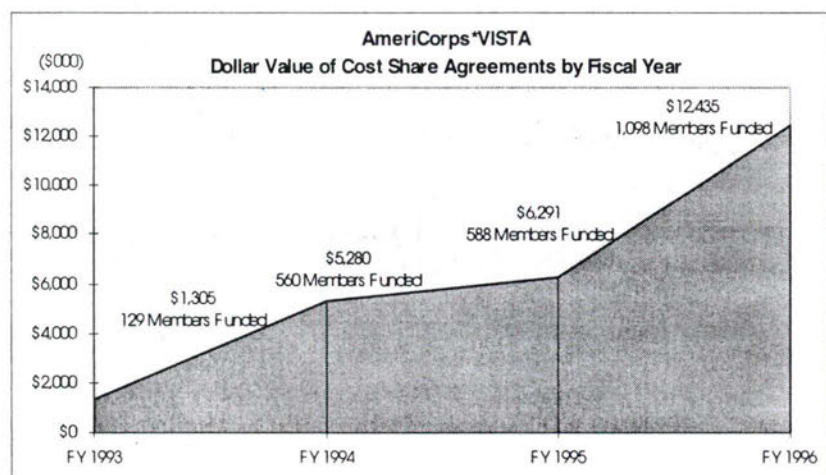
One example of an AmeriCorps*VISTA project that continued to operate, thanks to the efforts of AmeriCorps*VISTA members to create a sustainable effort, is the Northwest Arkansas Free Health and Dental Clinic, which serves the needs of a high poverty population. Members designed and implemented a dental education and prevention program for children, and recruited six dentists on a rotating schedule to serve the clinic. Members secured donations of supplies and pharmaceuticals and recruited community volunteers to assist in other support roles for the dental clinic's operations. One member secured a \$40,000 grant from the Foundation for the Mid-South that sustains the clinic's on-going activities.

AmeriCorps*VISTA members who served with the Southern Development Foundation in Opelousas, Louisiana, introduced 75 farmers to sequential vegetable farming techniques and goat production. Through the assistance of the AmeriCorps*VISTA members, a Farmers Market was established where the participating farmers' produce could be sold and the farmers were able to realize a \$3,000 to \$5,000 increase in annual income with no significant increase in investment. Now, with AmeriCorps*VISTA members no longer there, the Farmers

Market continues to operate, the goat market is growing throughout the state, and the Louisiana Commission on Agriculture is promoting sequential vegetable production.

COST SHARE PROGRAMS

The effectiveness of the AmeriCorps*VISTA model has proven so successful that demand for AmeriCorps*VISTA members exceeds the ability of federally appropriated dollars to provide the needed resources. Therefore the Corporation developed the AmeriCorps*VISTA cost-share program model. Cost-sharing permits local organizations to enter into agreements with AmeriCorps*VISTA, using their own resources to pay for basic member support costs in return for training and recruitment support and the education award from the Corporation for National Service. The number of members funded in this manner has risen from 560 in 1994 to 1,187 in 1997, with an increase in dollars from \$5 million to over \$13 million.



The State of Oregon's Health Division is one place where an AmeriCorps*VISTA cost-share project is making a difference. The Health Division agreed to pay the basic expenses for 45 AmeriCorps*VISTA members. The members are located in almost every county in the state referring WIC and immunization clients to the Oregon Health Plan, increasing WIC participation, and publicizing the need for complete immunizations. Success stories

"The first day I met the director and told her about the work I could do to teach her staff about basic software, assist the Center in obtaining Internet access, and designing a website. 'When can you start', she asked? 'Immediately!' It's exciting to watch the staff and notice how their eyes widen when they get it."

--Rachael Perry serves with the AmeriCorps*VISTA Team TECH in Detroit, Michigan, where she helped the Romulus Adolescent Health Center gain access to computer technology.

"Your life is only limited to what you experience."

---AmeriCorps*VISTA member Joann White educates mothers about the importance of child immunization at a Medford, Oregon health center. She serves in the State of Oregon's cost-share AmeriCorps*VISTA program.

to date include an increase in Lake County immunization rates from 57 percent in 1995 to 87 percent currently, a new WIC/Immunization Clinic opened evenings in Lincoln County, and the number of non-immunized children in Baker County dropped to only 22 percent.

PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

AmeriCorps*VISTA has collaborated and formed partnerships with over 20 national organizations to make an impact on communities in such areas as adult and children's literacy, education, technology, housing and homelessness. Partner organizations include: Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Habitat for Humanity, Save the Children, Girl Scouts, Literacy Volunteers of America, Laubach Literacy Action, National Alliance to End Homelessness, and United Way of America. Examples of how AmeriCorps*VISTA partnerships are making a difference at the local level include:

AmeriCorps*VISTA and Habitat for Humanity are long-standing partners and share a commitment to helping low-income people to help themselves. Nearly 300 AmeriCorps*VISTA members are recruiting volunteers and garnering resources for Habitat affiliates. In Phelps, Kentucky, three AmeriCorps*VISTA members have mobilized tens of thousands of dollars in land, labor, and machinery. They recruited community volunteers, obtained resources and assisted in site development and family selection. A key corporate partner was insulation manufacturer Owens-Corning, who donated product and expertise, including a user-friendly "lite form" insulation. Due to the assignment of AmeriCorps*VISTA members, Phelps Area Habitat expanded so much they are now able build one new home every six weeks.

AmeriCorps*VISTA collaborated with IBM and United Way of America to create Team TECH. Through this partnership, 42 AmeriCorps*VISTA members are serving in 11 communities throughout the country developing strong leadership and technological skills for non-profit organizations serving the poor. They provide technology

"I love Habitat for Humanity. It empowers people who want to empower themselves."

*--Susan Penner used to volunteer with Habitat while she was a college student. Now, as an AmeriCorps*VISTA member, she is mobilizing resources for Habitat for Humanity in Brentwood, Tenn.*

"I love children, and I wanted to make a difference."

*--Idamay Arsenault and her sister, Roseanna Hmura, serve as RSVP volunteers. But last summer both became directly involved with AmeriCorps*VISTA as Associates, coordinating summer reading programs in Worcester, Mass.*

planning assistance, write grants for hardware and software, and provide computer training. In eight months, Team

TECH had an impact on nearly 300,000 children providing \$1.8 million in technology and technical services that provide the children with direct access to new computers and software through after-school programs, day-care and mentoring programs.

In Burlington, Vermont, AmeriCorps*VISTA Team TECH members helped the local Boys and Girls Club better serve over 650 children through computers that provide access to the Internet, educational software, job training and access to the employment database of the Vermont Job Bank.

AmeriCorps*VISTA is also a partner with Rural LISC (Local Initiative Support Corporation), an organization that provides access to technology services in rural America. Eight members serve with four community development corporations in New York, Wisconsin, California, and Oklahoma. They develop websites providing rural, low-income people with access to public and private resources. Focusing on housing and homelessness, this initiative will ultimately benefit more than 60 community development corporations affiliated with LISC.

AmeriCorps*VISTA and the Texas Plains Girl Scout Council in Amarillo, Texas, have worked together to introduce 1,200 girls from low-income neighborhoods to girl scouting through troops developed by AmeriCorps*VISTA members. One Amarillo school serving a low-income neighborhood was scheduled to be closed primarily because of low test scores. The new principal supported the member's effort to implement a Girl Scout School Day troop with in-school meetings. Scout leaders suggested merit badge projects on math and science which proved a great success. Student test scores went up and the school remains open. Accomplishments in Amarillo have led to expansion of the VISTA effort to three rural school districts.

"High hopes are great, but the smaller victories along the way are just as rewarding. It's about making a difference, one person at a time."

*--Dan Roach served for two years as an AmeriCorps*VISTA member, mobilizing support for the homeless in Washington and Chicago.*

"I learned how hard it is to be poor in America, how hard it is to work for and with the poor, and how the work has to be its own reward."

--Alan Stone was a VISTA member serving in Worcester, Mass. And Albuquerque, N.M. back in 1969 and 1970. He is now a Vice president of Columbia University.

AMERICORPS*NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY CORPS

Program Overview

AmeriCorps*National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) is the residential, national service program operated by the Corporation for National Service. Drawing from the Civilian Conservation Corps of the 1930s and the United States military, AmeriCorps*NCCC is premised on the belief that civic responsibility is an inherent duty of all citizens, and that national service can effectively work with local communities to help solve problems.

Originally proposed in 1991 by a strong bipartisan coalition as one of three civil-military youth service initiatives, AmeriCorps*NCCC members are part of the network of over 45,000 AmeriCorps members serving in communities across our country. During the first three years of operations, approximately 2,700 young men and women answered the call to service, and worked with local communities and other citizens to get things done. As they helped meet the needs of our communities, AmeriCorps*NCCC members learned practical skills while engendering a life-long commitment of service to others.

In fiscal year 1997, AmeriCorps*NCCC members were housed on downsized or closed military bases in San Diego, Calif; Aurora, Colo; Charleston, S.C.; and at the Veteran's Administration Medical Facility at Perry Point, Md. In response to compelling needs in the nation's capital, AmeriCorps*NCCC Southeast Region deployed five teams throughout the year from a satellite at Fort Belvoir, Va. In October 1997, a permanent base of operations was established in the District of Columbia. Program leadership is provided by a retired military officer and an advisory board with diverse public and private sectors representation. Former or retired military members are represented throughout program staff.

Members serve for up to two years performing full-time, team-based service. Members are also required to perform

Characteristics of AmeriCorps*NCCC Members

Gender:

Female	64%
Male	36%

Age:

21 or younger	43%
22-29	52%
30-37	0%
38-45	0%
Over 45	0%

Ethnicity:

Caucasian	80%
African American	7%
Hispanic	6%
Asian/Pacific Islander ...	3%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	2%
Other	2%

Education Completed:

Less than high school	0%
High school diploma	33%
Associates degree/some college	28%
Bachelor's degree/some graduate school	39%
Graduate degree	0%

a minimum of 80 hours of independent service activities. During their term of service, members receive room and board, a modest living allowance, health benefits, and a child care allowance, if necessary. For each successfully completed service year, members receive an education award of \$4,725.

Program Accomplishments

Each successive year, AmeriCorps*NCCC has focused on the continuous improvement of program operations and effectiveness. The program's third year of service ended in August 1997, and its impressive record included a broad range of significant accomplishments:

- Tutored over 14,000 school children and mentored over 2,500 others; initiated 20 new tutoring, mentoring, or after school programs.
- Provided friendship and support for over 1,500 veterans and senior citizens; tutored over 300 adults.
- Sorted, inventoried, or distributed over 429,000 pounds of food; sorted and inventoried over 55,000 books.
- Built, repaired, or renovated 136 homes and apartments; repaired or renovated 26 other buildings.
- Built or restored 30 playgrounds, campgrounds, or picnic areas; planted over 4,000 trees; started 22 community gardens; restored 2 historical cemeteries.
- Built or repaired over 125 miles of hiking trails and approximately 15 miles of fences.
- Protected and preserved over eight miles of shoreline; dug or installed over 11,000 feet of irrigation systems.

1997 COMPLETED PROJECTS ISSUE AREA

	#	%
EDUCATION	106	21
ENVIRONMENT	223	45
HUMAN NEEDS	143	29
PUBLIC SAFETY	25	5

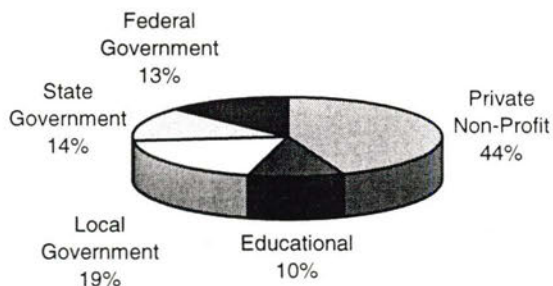
"The young people who serve in AmeriCorps* NCCC show us the best of the American spirit. They tutor our children, aid the victims of disasters, and restore our streams and parks."

--Gen. Colin Powell

- Assisted thousands of citizens devastated by natural disasters.

Although AmeriCorps*NCCC serves primarily with community-based organizations, project sponsors also represent local and state governments, national parks, educational institutions, and other national organizations.

TYPES OF PROJECT SPONSORS
Program Year 1997 Total Sponsors = 329



"Those AmeriCorps kids are great. They helped clean up my house that was burned down. They were really sensitive to salvaging any tiny memento."

--Peggy Ness, Lama, NM resident who lost her home in a major fire.

The following service project summaries illustrate the kinds of service activities that AmeriCorps*NCCC members performed in communities across the United States during fiscal year 1997.

"If there is any regret on our part, it is that our AmeriCorps team could not be with us for a longer period of time."

--David A. Pressler, Director, Reno NV Dept. of Parks and Recreation.

DISASTER RELIEF

Nationwide

AmeriCorps*NCCC Members are part of the American Red Cross National Disaster Response Network, and work hand-in-hand with the Red Cross and the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide support in times of national disaster. Members are trained and certified in CPR, first aid, mass care, damage assessment, and family assistance and receive training and red-card certification by the U.S. Forest Service for forest fire fighting. In fiscal year 1997, AmeriCorps*NCCC members responded to 12 calls for assistance including flood relief in North Dakota, Minnesota, and the Ohio River Valley, and along the east and west coasts from Boston to South Carolina, to the Pacific Northwest; a hurricane in Puerto Rico; and tornadoes in Arkansas. Two teams extended their term of service to provide disaster assistance throughout the summer.

ENVIRONMENT

Whiting, Indiana

Members supported The Nature Conservancy in the restoration of endangered natural communities on southern Lake Michigan, Lake Plain, and the Kankakee Sands Natural Region. Serving on five major nature preserves, members removed non-native vegetation, performed prescribed burns, collected native prairie grass for future plantings, and removed debris.

Cordesville, SC

In partnership with the US Forest Service, AmeriCorps*NCCC built segments of the Palmetto Trail System, a network of trails throughout South Carolina. Members marked new trails, cut trees and brush, constructed elevated walkways, and built bridges, all the while preserving the delicate ecological balance of this diverse wilderness region. When completed, the Palmetto Trails will provide a natural connector from the Appalachian Mountains to the Atlantic Ocean.

"They've worked extremely hard out there, doing the kinds of work that would take the county a lot longer to do and cost a lot more money. The kids are great to work with. They're eager to learn and seem to be having a good time doing work that we need done."

--Craig Lamphear, Harford County, MD Dept. of Parks and Recreation

EDUCATION

Atlanta, GA

AmeriCorps*NCCC members expanded the capacity of the Georgia Youth Science and Technology Center at the Atlanta Zoo by establishing a satellite computer center at the Kennedy Middle School in Atlanta. Project activities included setting up computer hardware for students, organizing resource materials, teaching students how to use the computer, and creating an outdoor science center.

"In this work situation, not only did the [AmeriCorps team] not need to be motivated, they actually motivated everyone else in our volunteer community."

--Martin Cribb, Volunteer Coordinator, Aransas National Wildlife Refuge, Austwell, TX

Boulder, CO

Serving in two elementary schools, AmeriCorps*NCCC members created a Handbook for Volunteer Reading Tutors, tutored students and recruited community volunteers to serve as tutors. Members conducted research on the principles of teaching reading skills, designed the layout for the handbook, and wrote user-friendly text. The resulting handbook has provided a strong framework for community volunteers working with students.

OTHER HUMAN NEEDS

Fairbanks, AK

In cooperation with several local organizations, members renovated a Boys and Girls Club gymnasium; served alongside native Athabascan elders in the restoration of an historic campground; assisted Fairbanks Neighborhood Housing Services (NHS) in a community facelift during NeighborWorks Week; and refurbished an unsafe and barren playground with the Foundation for Parents and Children.

Jacksonville, AR

AmeriCorps*NCCC served in partnership with the Jacksonville Boys & Girls Club to provide positive, productive, and safe activities for youth and families. Members refurbished the Club's facilities; led daily educational, personal development, and recreational activities; served as elder companions and made physical improvements to the Elderly Activities Center; and in cooperation with the Pulaski County School District Youth Service Corps led teams of youth in service projects targeted at low-income neighborhoods.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Philadelphia, PA

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society partnered with AmeriCorps*NCCC to develop a model neighborhood based vacant land and open space management system. In a 100-city block neighborhood that contains over 200 abandoned lots, AmeriCorps*NCCC members constructed six community gardens following the removal of tons of trash and debris. Members built and installed fencing around the gardens; planted thousands of flowers and vegetables; constructed a pavilion, a storage shed, and a recycling center; and created a community support base from which residents continued to work together.

Seattle, WA

Modeled on the successful South Seattle Crime Prevention Council, AmeriCorps*NCCC members partnered with the Seattle Neighborhood Group—Youth Crime Prevention

"In just five weeks the volunteers completed more work at these highly threatened sites than has been completed in the last five years. Not only did they work hard, but they also involved the communities surrounding the sites of their activities."

*--Dennis McGrath, State Director,
The Nature Conservancy of Indiana*

"The genuine respect these highly diverse team members show one another and the teamwork they demonstrate in so successfully achieving the team's goals provide an inspiring lesson in what can be done by a diverse society."

*--Robert Charlie, Executive
Director, Cultural Heritage &
Education Institute, Fairbanks,
Alaska*

Council to recruit area teens as leaders in a "junior" crime prevention council. Members also converted a community building into a computer lab for seniors which utilized local high school students as tutors and served at over ten sites in an intensive neighborhood beautification campaign.

The community needs addressed by AmeriCorps*NCCC members are best illustrated by community members who are direct beneficiaries of our service activities. A junior high school principal in Philadelphia, Pa. summarized the service provided by AmeriCorps*NCCC members who served with her students during the 1996-97 school year for her colleagues as follows:

"Things You Should Know About the Corps:

*Corps members are responsible, conscientious,
compassionate, and committed.*

*Corps members have a variety of experience
skills that will be helpful to school students,
staff, and parents.*

Corps members are tireless.

*Corps members are creative problem solvers –
they can help you achieve a goal.*

*Corps members will assist you; work
collaboratively with you, the students,
parents, and the community."*

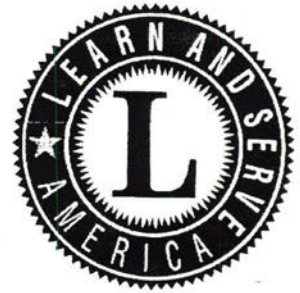
*Cassandra A. Chapman, Principal
General George G. Meade School, Philadelphia*

LEARN AND SERVE AMERICA

Learn and Serve America (L&SA) is committed to making service-learning an integral part of the education and life experiences of young people from kindergarten through graduate school. Learn and Serve America provides grants to programs that engage youth in schools, colleges, and community organizations in meeting local needs. Grant funds are used to create, plan, implement, and/or replicate programs, as well as to enhance program quality through training, evaluation and research.

Learn and Serve America consists of two grant programs: School- and Community-based programs for students in the K-12 network and Higher Education programs for students in colleges and universities. Learn and Serve America works to achieve six long-term goals:

- Identify, enhance, and promote the direct and demonstrable “getting things done” outcomes of student service and service-learning.
- Facilitate the progression from community service to service-learning within Learn and Serve America, as well as across the streams of national service.
- Identify, enhance and promote the academic and personal development outcomes of service-learning.
- Increase participation of students in service-learning from kindergarten through higher education.
- Enhance the civic education component of service-learning and recognize civic responsibility as a valued outcome.
- Facilitate the development of service-learning as a professional field that recognizes youth as leaders in the design and implementation of effective programs.



Nearly 1,000,000 students participated in Learn and Serve America initiatives in FY 97.

- 30,000 students in colleges and universities
- 970,000 students in K-12 programs



Learn and Serve America Higher Education

Program Overview

Learn and Serve America Higher Education Programs support service-learning initiatives for college students in undergraduate and graduate programs. Programs are funded directly by the Corporation for National Service. These programs have made a substantial contribution to the development and spread of service-learning within higher education. Students at the undergraduate and graduate levels in all kinds of higher education institutions--public and private, two-year and four-year, graduate and professional--are involved in a wide range of service activities in collaboration with and in support of their local communities. This year alone, Learn and Serve America Higher Education grants have enabled 500 colleges and universities to adopt or expand service-learning as a method of linking theoretical knowledge with practical experience in service to communities. Faculty, staff, and students at these institutions instill and promote civic responsibility while improving their academic work. Service-learning has been made a part of the curriculum in nearly all academic disciplines and service is becoming a common expectation of student extracurricular life.

Learn and Serve America Higher Education grants support the development or expansion of both curricular and extracurricular programs that address unmet community

needs in four priority areas: education, public safety, environment, and other human needs. The most common service activities are teaching, tutoring, and mentoring youth in K-12 schools; some of these reflect a "cascading" model of leadership in which college students engage in service-learning by developing service-learning activities for and with school-age youth.

In fiscal year 1997, Learn and Serve America Higher Education awarded \$10.75 million to 87 higher education institutions or associations. There were three categories of Learn and Serve America Higher Education grantees: (1) Individual Institutions; (2) Consortia; and (3) Demonstration Programs.

Individual Institutions of Higher Education received grants to support service-learning activities in their local geographic area that meet specific community needs. While service and service-learning activities may be generated and performed in collaboration with other local institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, or K-12 schools, Individual Institution grants support the widespread infusion of service-learning in a single institution's curriculum and/or extracurricular programs.

Consortia received grants to support service-learning initiatives at several institutions of higher education linked through a regional, statewide, or national network. Consortia award subgrants to eligible organizations, provide training and technical assistance, and facilitate the exchange of ideas and resources. The legal applicant must be an institution of higher education or a nonprofit organization that represents the consortium, holds primary responsibility for program management, and serves as the fiscal agent.

Demonstration programs engage students and/or community members as AmeriCorps members who commit to a part- or full-time term of service and receive an education award upon completion of their term of service. Demonstration programs may be based in an individual institution of higher education or in multiple institutions as part of a consortium. Demonstration

programs engage AmeriCorps members in two kinds of service activities: (1) directly meeting unmet community needs and (2) building the capacity of communities and institutions of higher education to implement high-quality service-learning programs.

Program Examples

California State University—Monterey Bay *Service-Learning Institute*

CSU Monterey Bay expanded the number of service-learning courses. University Service Advocates (USA's) are trained in a summer leadership academy to assist faculty in service-learning courses and to help at service sites with on-site logistics and monitoring. The Service-Learning Institute focuses on science, through the Watershed Ecology and Technology Tutors program. Tutors work with K-12 students in watershed restoration projects at five school sites. The program also participates in America Reads, through a service-learning course each semester on youth literacy.

"Learn and Serve America challenges students to think critically about their experiences and takes community service one step further."

*-- Marilyn Bugenhagen is
Director of Student
Involvement at the
University of Nebraska-
Lincoln.*

Atlanta University Service Learning Collaborative *Clark Atlanta University, Georgia*

The Atlanta University Center Service Learning Collaborative, a partnership of five historically black colleges, launched a statewide effort to support service-learning in institutions of higher education and K-12 school systems. The Collaborative will provide training and technical assistance to school systems in the state of Georgia, and promote expansion of service-learning within historically black colleges and universities.

"It's different when you actually go out and put what you've learned into practice."

*-- Niagara University (NY)
Learn and Serve America
student Heather Lewis serves
with the Health Association
of Niagara County.*

A Healthy Child is a Better Learner *Wright State University, Ohio*

Wright State University, in partnership with Sinclair Community College, engages health professions students in improving the health and school readiness of 1,500 children in East and West Dayton communities. Students conduct screenings, immunization checks and follow-ups, health needs assessments, and presentations on health

promotion and disease prevention. The program increases the number of children eligible to be enrolled in preschool programs, the number of fully immunized kindergartners, and the number of children who are treated for vision, hearing, and dental problems revealed through screening.

Community Mentor Program *St. Edwards University, Texas*

Through the Community Mentor Program, 70 part-time AmeriCorps members (all of whom come from families of migrant and seasonal farm workers or low-income families) serve at-risk children and youth. In 1997, they mentored more than 500 at-risk elementary school children; provided legal aid intake counseling for 90 low-income clients; organized a Youth Day for 700 Austin residents to celebrate the contributions of youth to the community; and formed a Service-Learning Council to help institutionalize service-learning at St. Edward's University.

Learn and Serve America School- and Community-Based Programs

Program Overview

Learn and Serve America School- and Community-Based Programs support service-learning initiatives for students in grades K-12 and out-of-school youth, ages 5 to 17. The programs are supported through grants to state education agencies, governor-appointed state commissions, national or regional nonprofit organizations, Indian Tribes, and U.S. Territories. In fiscal year 1997, Learn and Serve America awarded \$32,250,000 to 150 organizations, involving nearly 970,000 young people in service activities. The majority of these funds were distributed by state education agencies.

In School- and Campus-Based Learn and Serve America programs, service-learning is integrated directly into the academic curriculum. Students in kindergarten through graduate school apply their skills, knowledge, and abilities acquired in the classroom to projects that meet needs in the community. Educators

"Wherever I am, I want to volunteer. I want to get involved with the community."

--Amy Major is a Learn and Serve America student at Center College in Danville, Kentucky.

"Our program brings hope for children who are already, at a very young age, disengaged from their learning environments."

-- Donna Hagey directs the Community Mentor program at St. Edward's University. Fifty Learn and Serve America students - all from migrant farmworker backgrounds - tutor children in the Austin, Texas schools.

intensify learning by creating opportunities for students to understand and analyze their service experiences in the context of their course work. Often service projects are integrated into all facets of the school curriculum. Service-learning facilitates the linkage of theoretical and practical knowledge in order to improve both schooling and communities.

In Community-Based Learn and Serve America programs, youth work through local organizations to design and implement projects that solve problems in the community. Community-based programs offer youth the opportunity to learn by doing. By playing a significant role in planning and developing their service projects, youth gain practical skills, self-esteem, and a sense of civic responsibility as they work to support important community activities. Frequently, community-based Learn and Serve America projects are coordinated with a local school.

Program Examples

Mound Fort Middle School *Ogden, Utah*

Under the Reading Across the Ages Project, Mound Fort students served as peer tutors for young readers at nearby Gramercy Elementary School. They also visited friends at the Manor Care Retirement home to read aloud to the residents. The students were often able to switch places and persuade the residents to read to them and share some of their memories of Ogden life. During the past school year, SAT reading scores of 90 percent of all the sixth grade students at Mound Fort improved by at least one grade level—60 percent by two levels. Teacher Eileen Nicholas stated that she thinks the service and the SAT scores were connected and that the service provided a sense of direction to adolescents that gave them the tools to cope with the pressures they face.

"We need to make community service central to the idea of being an educated citizen."

--Richard Freeland is President of Northeastern University, whose students serve the people of Boston, Mass.

Gloucester County Vocational Technical School District
Sewell, New Jersey

The Gloucester County partnership for Habitat for Humanity linked the construction students at the Gloucester County Institute of Technology to Habitat for Humanity's mission of providing affordable housing to "the working poor" of Gloucester County. Virtually the entire student body of the Institute of Technology (1,118) participated in some form of service-learning as part of their instructional or extra-curricular activity. Students constructed a three bedroom modular house for a needy family. Through the project, students not only got to know the family who was getting the house, but had the opportunity to work with them as the family paid its "sweat equity." Other classes became involved by designing a billboard promoting the project and designing and silk screening tee-shirts for all volunteers and students who worked on the house. The Institute conducted other projects such as the Child Care students working with the local spouse abuse center and the Wellness/Fitness Technology students coordinating an American Heart Association Heart Walk.

Placer County Office of Education
New Castle, California

The Placer County Peer Court involved over 4,000 high school students learning about the juvenile justice system through class activities that are linked to juvenile court service. Students served as jurors, attorneys, and court staff to gain experience in preparing cases and then participated in actual court situations. The program provided a means by which low-level, first-time juvenile offenders were diverted from the juvenile justice system into this program where they were held accountable for their misconduct through sentences imposed by peers. The goal of the program was to have students understand the juvenile justice system and to intercede and prevent fellow students from becoming repeat offenders.

"There is so much more to service-learning than doing service. Studying what you're going to do and then reflecting on it is 100 percent more effective than going in, doing the work, and then leaving."

-- Tracy Vorhees, a secondary education major and Learn and Serve America student at Ohio's Defiance College, plans to integrate service-learning into her classroom when she becomes a teacher.

Aiken County School District

Aiken, South Carolina

The Aiken Service-Learning Program included intergenerational and multi-grade projects that involved 21 schools in the county and the Aiken County Career Center. Intergenerational projects included visits to nursing homes and retirement centers with students providing programs that involved exercise activities, on-site gardens, musical programs, and meals-on-wheels deliveries to confined seniors. The multi-grade projects involved students of all ages providing reading, music, writing, science, health, math, social studies, and recreational activities for at-risk pre-school students (ages 3 to 5) at homeless shelters, Head Start, and community centers. Also, high school students worked with middle and elementary school students in reading, math, problem solving, peer tutoring, and conflict resolution, while the middle school students tutored elementary/pre-school students in reading and math.

Youth Service Team

Rosemount, Minnesota

The Rosemount Partnership Youth Service Team is a two-tiered mentoring program through which professionals mentor high school students, who in turn mentor children in grades K-5. Participants attend training sessions covering such topics as child development, resiliency, discipline, CPR, first aid, team building, leadership, age appropriate activities, and diversity. Each session is taught by experts in those various fields of human service. Upon completion of the training session, high school age youth are ready to perform their service. Service is performed during a four-week summer school session at a local elementary school. The high school age youth aid teachers in the classroom, supervise lunch, and lead the children in activities after lunch. The majority of the children served are educationally and economically disadvantaged.

"I have never seen a program develop leadership and responsibility more effectively than Learn and Serve America. Young people have not only become empowered, they have developed a sense of responsibility in their community."

*-- Molly Abare is Executive
Director of the Green
Mountain United Way in
Vermont.*

National Service Scholarships

National Service Scholarships recognize young people for outstanding service to their communities by providing them with a college scholarship of at least \$1,000. Scholarship recipients who are nominated by their high school principal, must demonstrate sustained, significant service or service-learning in their community. Types of service could include service with community, civic, or religious organizations; involvement in service or service-learning through a school or school district; and individual efforts to help others and improve the local community. The Corporation for National Service provides \$500; matching funds of at least \$500 must be obtained from a school district, civic or community group, foundations, or other private sector institutions or individuals. In 1997, 1,700 scholarships were awarded.

"Your hands-on experiences reinforce what you are learning in the classroom, promoting civic responsibility and showing that citizens working together are a powerful force."

--Governor Kirk Fordice of Mississippi addresses Learn and Serve America students in Biloxi.

NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS

The Senior Corps is a network of more than half a million seniors who are making a difference through service in the areas of education, environment, public safety, and other human needs. Senior Corps programs tap the experience, skills, talents, interests, and creativity of Americans age 55 and over. Their service activities emphasize the impact on both the volunteer and the community.



Senior Corps consists of three distinct programs:

- The **Foster Grandparent Program** enables seniors to provide individual support to children and youth with special needs.
- The **Senior Companion Program** supports seniors to provide assistance that allows frail individuals to continue living independently.
- In the **Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)**, volunteers perform a myriad of services, including organizing neighborhood block watches, identifying sources of groundwater contamination, teaching computer classes, and participating in natural disaster recovery.

Senior Corps projects are locally sponsored and administered. Within the broad framework of its legislation, service activities grow out of agreements among the participants, projects, and the community, as represented by volunteer stations and advisory councils. As a result, these activities reflect a mix of needs unique to each community.

Senior Corps also tests new models for mobilizing older persons in service through its demonstration authority. Demonstration activities build on the best practices and lessons learned and position Senior Corps to tap the vast potential of the aging baby boom generation.

"The National Senior Service Corps continues to exemplify the strong spirit of volunteerism that is so much a part of New Hampshire."

*-- Governor Jeanne Shaheen
of New Hampshire.*

Program Highlights

Programming for Impact: Getting Things Done

The Senior Corps has implemented a *Programming for Impact* initiative that integrates community need, accomplishment, and impact into development, planning, and reporting of the service provided by Senior Corps participants. It also measures responsiveness to the community and thereby fosters recognition of seniors as a vital, invaluable resource. *Programming for Impact* brings Senior Corps into compliance with the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA) as part of government-wide requirements for reporting program performance.

The Senior Corps sponsored state impact conferences to expand understanding and build skills at the local project level and developed and tested *Programming for Impact* models at 300 Senior Corps projects. Extensive training and technical assistance materials were developed and distributed to the field and the progress report was modified to gather program accomplishment data.

"We have an unprecedented opportunity to move service by seniors to a new level of national and local importance and to influence society's idea about what it means to grow older."

--Tom Endres,
Director, National Senior
Service Corps

Foster Grandparent Program Evaluation

In 1997, an exploratory evaluation of the Foster Grandparent Program and its involvement with Head Start found that Foster Grandparents contribute to the emotional, social and intellectual development of the children. The person-to-person interaction between the Foster Grandparent and the child, the model set by the Grandparents and the positive reinforcement they give the Head Start children all are factors in achieving positive outcomes. At the same time, the Foster Grandparents help create a calmer classroom environment, support the teachers and help educate the community.

SENIORS FOR SCHOOLS INITIATIVE

The *Seniors for Schools* initiative is a nine-site demonstration through which senior volunteers serve as literacy and reading resources for public school children in kindergarten through

third grade. In May of 1997, nine sponsors were selected to operate 24-month demonstration sites to recruit adults over age 55 to serve in teams helping children learn to read independently by the end of third grade. Grants were awarded to projects in Florida, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, and Texas.

Seniors for Schools provides intensive service of 15 to 20 hours per week by a core of senior volunteers. Placing a minimum of four to five individual senior volunteers in one setting achieves a "critical mass" that greatly enhances potential for making a positive impact on a school's culture and environment.

As of December 1997, more than 200 *Seniors for Schools* volunteers were engaged with more than 1,000 children in a variety of activities, including direct tutoring, reading skills building, parental involvement events, and planning special projects.

EXPANSION OF THE FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

In 1997, Senior Corps selected 25 new sponsors in 24 states for grants to support new projects in geographic areas not previously served by Foster Grandparents. The grants support the America Reads challenge and provide Foster Grandparents to assist children with special and exceptional needs to improve their pre-literacy, literacy, or reading skills. During the first year, these projects will place over 1,000 new Foster Grandparents in previously unserved areas of the country.

RECOGNITION FOR SENIOR CORPS VOLUNTEERS AND PROJECTS

Awards and recognition for the services of individual Senior Corps projects and volunteers also abounded in 1997 in a wide range of service areas. For example, a number of RSVP projects were showcased as models by the Environmental Alliance for Senior Involvement

"Programming for Impact is not only 'doable' but will be critically needed to assure that looming multitudes of well educated and informed retirees will desire to volunteer...my 'Impact' priorities are partnership strategies, meeting shared goals with volunteer stations, and working with them to maximize the skills of the Senior Corps volunteers..."

-- Vi Kocian, Project

Director

Southwest Suburban RSVP,

Brook Park, OH

(EASI) at its May 1997 national conference. Numerous projects and volunteers were recognized at the President's Summit. Many individual projects received private recognition and monetary awards during the year, such as the special \$10,000 funding by the Boston Partners in Education to the Boston FGP in recognition of their exemplary service.

In September, Fleishmann's Yeast sponsored a "Bake a Difference" campaign which benefited the Foster Grandparent Program, and provided donations to FGP projects nation-wide. Fleishmann's Yeast ran a full-page national ad in 60 million Sunday papers about the campaign and the services of Foster Grandparents.

Volunteers were showcased in the media around the country. CBS television featured Robert Jackson, a 102-year old Foster Grandparent, who has been serving at the Maryland Department of Juvenile Justice Waxter Center to turn around the lives of incarcerated youth since 1981. "Traveling Grannies" in Grand Rapids, Michigan, who work wonders with teenage mothers, were featured on the NBC Nightly News.

Individual volunteers received special awards as well:

- Frances Pervis was awarded the KFC Colonel's Way Award for her exemplary service as a Senior Companion for over 15 years;
- Joe Meyere received the J.C. Penney Golden Rule award as a Youth Detention Center Foster Grandparent for the past 12 years in Provo Utah;
- RSVP volunteer Linda Redlinger was named the Police Department's 1997 Volunteer of the Year in Boulder Colorado; and
- RSVP volunteer Blair Willard received the North Carolina Governor's Certificate of Appreciation for outstanding service to elementary students.

"Some of the Foster Grandparents seemed to have a knack for recognizing and capitalizing on teachable moments with the children."

-- Westat Evaluation of Foster Grandparents in Head Start Centers

"The need is so great, they're always asking: 'can you bring in more?'"

-- Seniors for Schools members are in great demand by elementary school teachers in New York's South Bronx, reports Project Director Becky Hause.

Foster Grandparent Program

Program Overview

The Foster Grandparent Program began in August 1965 as a national demonstration effort. Since its inception, the Foster Grandparent Program has provided young and old the chance to grow together. Today, over 25,000 older Americans serve as Foster Grandparents. On an average, they give care and attention to approximately 89,000 children and youth with special and exceptional needs. Over the year, more than 175,000 children and youth are served by Foster Grandparents. In improving the lives of these children and youth, Foster Grandparents also profoundly enrich their own lives.

Foster Grandparents volunteer in a broad range of settings, including schools, Head Start centers, hospitals, drug treatment centers, correctional institutions, and day care centers. They offer emotional support to children who have been abused and neglected; mentor troubled teenagers and young mothers; and care for premature infants and children with physical disabilities or severe illnesses, including AIDS. This special care helps young people grow, gain confidence, and become more productive citizens. In the process, Foster Grandparents strengthen communities by providing personalized services to special needs children that community budgets cannot afford and by building strong bridges across generations.

Foster Grandparents must be at least 60 years of age and meet certain income-eligibility requirements. They serve 20 hours per week and receive pre-service orientation, training throughout their service, and a modest stipend to offset the cost of volunteering. They receive reimbursement for transportation, some meals during service, an annual physical, and accident and liability insurance while on duty. In 1997, 25,300 Foster Grandparents served through 305 projects in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Characteristics of Foster Grandparents

Gender:

Female	90%
Male	10%

Age:

60-69	31%
70-79	51%
80-84	13%
85 and over	5%

Ethnicity:

Caucasian	48%
African American	37%
Hispanic	10%
Asian/Pacific Islander	4%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	2%

Ages of Children Served:

Birth to age 5	60%
6-12	40%
13-20	14%
21+	2%

Children Served:

Over 175,000 Annually

Foster Grandparent projects are jointly funded by federal, state, and local governments, with significant support from the private sector. The federal budget to support these projects was \$77.8 million in fiscal year 1997. The non-federal local contribution exceeded \$32 million or 42 cents for every federal dollar invested—well above the 10 percent matching share required by law.

In 1997, the 24 million hours of service provided by Foster Grandparents were worth over \$315 million based on an assessment of the value of volunteer service conducted by the Independent Sector and the Gallup Organization. This represented more than a four-fold return on the federal dollars invested in these projects.

Project Highlights

Southeast Foster Grandparent Program

Monticello, Arkansas

Four elementary schools in southeast Arkansas began using Foster Grandparents as literacy and reading tutors in the fall of 1997. Teachers from each of the four schools referred children whose total reading scores were in the lowest 25 percent on a national norm-based test. The lowest-scoring 64 children were assigned to 16 Foster Grandparents. All Foster Grandparents were trained in caregiving, reading and helping children to stay on task. Students were pre-tested in the fall and will be post-tested at the end of the school year to determine progress. According to teacher evaluations collected in January 1998, all children were reading with more confidence after just a few months with a Foster Grandparent, and 77 percent of the teachers reported that the children were making excellent progress.

Thames Valley Council for Community Action, Inc. FGP

Norwich, Connecticut

Veterans School in Norwich had 24 second through fifth grade students diagnosed with learning disabilities, and the school district sought to improve at least half of these

"It's wonderful to see a child who, under a Grandparent's care, isn't in such emotional pain as before, has much higher self-esteem, has set goals, and is fun to be around."

*-- Tom Kelleher,
Administrator, PA troubled
youth residence*

"Grandma Lillian, I can read. Now I can read lots of stories like the other kids."

*-- Lillian Sorensen of Spanish
Forks, UT, has been a Foster
Grandparent for 24 years,
helping elementary school
children learn to read.*

students' academic performance by one grade level during the 1996-97 school year. One Foster Grandparent was assigned to work with 12 children: directly with two special needs students and indirectly with other children. The Foster Grandparent assisted the children in reading and spelling through the use of worksheets, word cards and oral recitation. All 12 of the students assisted throughout the 1996-97 school year advanced one grade level in test scores. Eighty percent of these students maintained their increased academic levels.

FGP of Laurens County

Laurens, South Carolina

The Laurens County Family Education Center (funded under Project Even Start, is a program designed to increase parental participation in their children's education through a family-centered education program for disadvantaged parents and their pre-school children. During the school year, parents attend classes on adult literacy and parenting skills and participate in PACT (Parent and Child Together) time in which teachers and Foster Grandparents model positive discipline techniques, language enrichment, and appropriate feeding/diapering techniques to the parents. Because funds are insufficient to provide all staff necessary to provide care and training for children while parents participate in classes, three Foster Grandparents were assigned to assist the teachers in two classrooms. The three Foster Grandparents served the children and their parents 20 hours per week for a total of 1980 hours of direct service.

The Center staff indicated that objectives of the Center were met, 91 percent (goal 80 percent) of the children assessed have indicated growth in age-appropriate development tasks; and 82 percent (goal 75 percent) of participants attended parenting sessions.

"Given the lack of availability and high cost of infant day care, this program can be credited not only with making it financially possible for teen moms to graduate from high school, but also for these teen mothers learning caretaking skills by watching and interacting with the Foster Grandparents."

-- Josephine Haines, Teen Mom Program Coordinator

"The little things are often what makes a difference, and in the process, I hope I can make a child happy."

*-- Foster Grandparent
Florence Sweeney serves
developmentally disabled
children in Watertown,
Wisconsin*

St. Mary's Foster Grandparent Program

Grand Junction, Colorado

Mesa County's teen birth rate correlates closely to Colorado's statewide rate of approximately 50 live births per 1,000 teens, ages 15 to 19. Grand Junction's School District Number 51 created the "Teen Mom" Program to encourage students to return to school after giving birth. A nursery is located near the classrooms. Five Foster Grandparents provide daily care for the infants, newborns through age one, while their mothers attend classes. During the 1997 school year, 59 teen mothers enrolled in the program. Forty (68 percent) attended school consistently. Thirty-five young mothers (60 percent) completed full year requirements, and 19 young mothers graduated from high school.

Senior Companion Program

Program Overview

The Senior Companion Program(SCP) began in August 1974. This program recruits income-eligible persons age 60 and over to provide assistance and friendship to frail adults, mostly the elderly who are homebound and living alone. Senior Companions assist with household chores, provide transportation to medical appointments and are a contact with the outside world. This enables the people they serve to live independently in their own homes instead of moving to expensive institutional care. Senior Companions also provide respite care for short periods of time to relieve live-in caretakers. Because Senior Companions spend significant amounts of time with their clients, they are often a critical part of the client's "care team." Senior Companions alert doctors and family members of potential health problems, allowing them to provide immediate care to the client.

Senior Companions generally serve three to five clients in an average week, predominantly in the clients' own homes. Community organizations that address health needs of the elderly such as home health care agencies, hospitals, or centers on aging identify individuals who need assistance and then work with Senior Companion projects to match them with available Senior Companions.

Like Foster Grandparents, Senior Companions serve 20 hours per week. They also receive pre-service orientation, training throughout their service, and a modest stipend to offset the cost of volunteering. They are provided transportation, some meals during service, an annual physical, and accident and liability insurance while on duty. The annual cost for Senior Companion services was about \$3,800 or only a tenth of the \$38,000 average yearly cost of nursing home care, making the program a very cost-effective way to provide supportive services.

In 1997, over 13,000 Senior Companions served approximately 49,000 frail adults through 191 projects

Characteristics of Senior Companions

Gender:

Female 85%
Male 15%

Age:

60-69 35%
70-79 51%
80-84 10%
85 and over 4%

Ethnicity:

Caucasian 51%
African
American 33%
Hispanic 11%
Asian/Pacific
Islander 4%
American Indian/
Alaskan Native 2%

Ages of Clients Served:

85 and Over 26%
75-84 36%
65-74 24%
45-64 10%
22-44 4%

Clients Served:

Almost 49,000 Annually

sponsored by local public and private nonprofit agencies. These projects are jointly funded by the federal government, state and local governments, and the private sector. The federal budget for the program was \$31 million in fiscal 1997. The non-federal local contribution was almost \$19.9 million. This non-federal contribution represented a match of 61 percent, or 61 cents for every federal dollar invested—well above the 10 percent matching share required by law.

In 1997, the 12 million hours of service provided by Senior Companions were estimated to be worth \$156 million based on an assessment of the value of volunteer service conducted by the Independent Sector and the Gallup Organization. This represented more than a five-fold return on the federal dollars invested in SCP projects.

Project Examples

Senior Companion Program of Oakland

Oakland, California

Legislative changes occurred in early 1997 affecting the frail-elderly, monolingual Chinese community in Oakland, California Senior Companions assisted the Oakland Chinese Community Council staff by surveying the identified clients to ascertain the needs for language waivers. Providing one-on-one technical assistance, the Senior Companions helped their clients complete the interview process by providing an escort to the interview, and informing and reassuring clients of their rights. The Companions were able to assist 20 frail-elderly clients with information on the new welfare legislation and naturalization. Since then, 13 clients have become naturalized American citizens and seven are in the process of becoming citizens.

Senior Companion Program of Kankakee County

Kankakee, Illinois

Statistics provided by the Illinois Department on Aging, based on 1990 census information, indicate that

SCP is "an effective way to cut down on the high cost of institutional care."

*-- U.S. News & World
Report, January 6, 1997
"20 Ways to Save the
World"*

"Companions ...monitor the changing status of clients ... serve as the 'eyes and ears' for visiting nurses, social workers and other professionals responsible for the care of elderly clients at home"

*-- Research Triangle
Institute, 1994
Evaluation of SCP*

approximately 3,027 persons residing in Kankakee and Iroquois county communities, age 65 and over, are afflicted with Alzheimer's or a related disease. The average cost of nursing home care for one person exceeds \$30,000 annually. Three Senior Companions who received specialized training in Alzheimer's care provide respite care to five clients—reducing the possibility of premature nursing home placement for conditions that limit activities of daily living. The cost savings of delaying nursing home placement is anticipated at \$1,690 per month. An overall savings of \$54,090 for four clients is projected.

Senior Companion Program - A.I.D. Center

Sioux City, Iowa

The Area IV Agency on Aging in Sioux City used a survey to determine that medical home health professionals spent 15 percent of their time on non-medical tasks. Thirteen Senior Companions joined the case team and provided peer social support, meal preparation, companionship, light chore services, personal care and transportation services to 42 frail older persons. The Companions also mobilized other services, such as Meals on Wheels, by contacting the case manager. Senior Companions facilitated an extension of services to an additional 20 clients in 1997 by reducing the time health care professionals spent on non-medical tasks from 15 percent to 8 percent.

Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada

Clark County, Nevada

The Senior Companion Program of Southern Nevada has identified a critical need to educate Nevada's seniors in nutritional health. Sixty Senior Companion volunteers received extensive training from a registered dietitian from the Division for Aging Services. Following this training, the 60 Senior Companions educated and trained over 200 clients on nutritional health issues. Senior Companion Program staff members anticipate improvement in management of diet and health among the 200 senior clients who participated in the program.

There are some people who seem to cure everyone's ills with a healthy dose of kindness and love. Seventy-six year old Mary Campbell may not be a saint, but as far as some people are concerned, she comes pretty close. As a Senior Companion, Ms. Campbell saved a senior's life when he fell out of bed and hit his head. Campbell says, "He probably would have died if he was not found." Two weeks later, she was serving another client when the client's husband had a heart attack. Ms. Campbell performed CPR on him until the ambulance arrived. He survived the ordeal, but his wife died two weeks later. Campbell said he later thanked her for saving his life, so he could assist his wife to live comfortably during her last weeks.

Miami SCP Program

Northern Oklahoma

The Oklahoma Department of Human Services and the Oklahoma State Department on Aging Services report that caring for visually impaired, frail elderly clients costs between \$2,000 to \$6,000 per month. Twenty-one visually impaired frail, elderly, low-income citizens of Oklahoma and their families are unable to pay for such service.

Twenty-three Senior Companion volunteers from the Sunbeam Family Services project were assigned to these clients to provide one-on-one assistance. The Senior Companion volunteers, over a three-month period, provided over 1,866 hours of service to these 21 clients.

Stated another way, the Senior Companion volunteers' assistance equals approximately \$100,000 of service.

Telespond Senior Companion Program

Scranton, Pennsylvania

Currently 3,000 adult day care centers operate across the country, and experts say 10,000 will be needed within the next two years. Other statistics show that nearly a quarter of all caregivers quit their jobs specifically to give care, losing an average income of \$29,400 annually. Lackawanna County has the second highest aging population in the nation, and currently has two "medical model" adult day care centers. In these centers, the families pay most of the expenses associated with placing their loved one in the center. Senior Companions provide the centers with additional assistance with non-medical tasks—removing the burden from the medical staff. This keeps costs down and allows more families to participate. Currently, 13 Senior Companions are serving 72 adult day care clients at the two sites in Lackawanna County. Nine Companions provide 20 hours each week to the centers, while four divide their time between the centers and providing in-home care to seven families who were unable to participate daily in the adult day care program. While nationwide, day care services range from \$35 to \$70 per day for each client, the services of Senior Companions brings the cost down to only \$40 per day per client, or only \$10,000 annually. The services provided by the Senior Companions are saving each family approximately \$3,000 per year.

"The program is about doing with and not doing for," said Steven W. Brummel, President of the Elvirita Lewis Forum. "It (the program) has been under-funded and relatively ignored for years, yet it is the answer," Brummel said. "It creates the absolutely lowest cost and highest human benefit. It helps the frail elderly to remain at home and out of institutions for the least dollars and the most human goods."

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)

Program Overview

Launched in 1971, the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) matches the personal interests and skills of seniors age 55 and older with opportunities to help solve the problems in their communities and meet the needs of their fellow citizens. RSVP volunteers choose how and where they want to serve--from a few to over 40 hours a week in a wide range of community organizations such as hospitals, youth recreation centers, schools, and local police stations.

RSVP volunteers provide hundreds of community services. They tutor at-risk youth, computerize information systems for community health organizations, get children immunized, teach parenting skills to teen parents, provide respite for caregivers of Alzheimer's victims, establish neighborhood watch groups, plan community gardens, and a myriad of other community services. Through such efforts, RSVP is meeting community needs that strained local budgets cannot afford to address.

In 1997, approximately 450,000 RSVP volunteers served through 751 projects sponsored by local public and private nonprofit agencies. RSVP volunteers contributed over 74 million hours of service to their communities in approximately 1,400 counties nationwide.

RSVP projects are jointly funded by the federal government, state and local governments, and the private sector. RSVP's federal budget was \$35.7 million in fiscal 1997. The non-federal local contribution to RSVP projects was over \$42 million, exceeding the federal contribution and demonstrating broad support for RSVP across the country. For every federal dollar invested, \$1.10 was matched from non-federal sources in 1997.

Characteristics of RSVP Volunteers

Gender:

Female	75%
Male	25%

Age:

55-59	4%
60-64	13%
65-75	41%
75-84	33%
85 and Over.....	10%

Ethnicity:

Caucasian	85%
African American	9%
Hispanic	4%
Asian/Pacific Islander	1%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1%

Focus of Service: (millions of hours)

Health/Nutrition	31.9
Human Needs	23.0
Comm/Econ Dev	14.5
Education	6.9
Public Safety	3.0
Environment	1.0

Total Hours Served:

Over 74 million

Stated another way, of the combined RSVP costs, federal funding provided less than 46 percent, while over 54 percent of the costs were borne by local funding sources.

According to a study of the value of volunteer services conducted by the Independent Sector and the Gallup Organization, the 74 million hours of service provided annually by RSVP volunteers had an estimated worth of over one billion dollars. This represented approximately a 30-fold return on the federal dollars invested in RSVP.

Project Examples

EDUCATION

RSVP of Greater Tarrant County

Fort Worth, Texas

Arlington Independent School District statistics show that second through fourth grade students attending Webb Elementary have poor performance on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test. For example, in 1996, only 34 percent of students passed the test and 15 percent read below grade level. To improve the literacy and academic skills of the targeted children, 40 RSVP volunteers serve as tutors in the HOSTS (Helping One Student to Succeed) program, a one-on-one tutoring model. The RSVP volunteers tutor 40 children during the school year, four days a week. At the end of the school year, 50 percent of the children tutored passed the TAAS test. In addition, all 40 children raised their reading base an average of 1.77 levels, as measured by the Individual Reading Inventory

Pennyrile Allied Community Services, Inc. RSVP

Hopkinsville, Kentucky

In the three counties of western Kentucky that comprise the Pennyrile RSVP service area, a high number of elementary students have been determined to be academically at risk, and without the influence of an older person who could serve not only as a tutor but as

"RSVP meets the goals set for it in the Domestic Volunteer Service Act" . . . "The accomplishments of RSVP volunteers positively affected their communities."

*--Westat, Inc.,
Independent Evaluation
Contractor*

"Without the RSVP volunteers, our students would have to wait for tutors. Because of RSVP, as soon as a student shows signs of needing extra help, we can match them up with their RSVP tutor..."

*--Cherlie Blowers, Reading
Coordinator
Arlington (TX) Independent
School District*

a mentor to encourage school success. In six selected elementary schools, RSVP volunteers were matched with students who were at risk of continuing academic decline. RSVP volunteers were trained, then matched to tutor/mentor one student at least one hour a week on specific school work for one twenty-week semester. Over five months, a total of 20 RSVP volunteers served 22 students at six schools. Of 15 students on whom reports were submitted, 14 had improved their academic performance. With 13 of the 15 students, teachers noted a decrease in school absences, disruptive classroom behavior, and in number of referrals to the principal's office.

OTHER HUMAN NEEDS

RSVP of Martin County *Stuart, Florida*

Overburdened social service agencies in Martin County needed help developing and operating a holiday assistance and distribution program. RSVP worked through the United Way of Martin County with the Marine Corps Reserve, community members and the Boy Scouts to create the "White Doves" project. Members of the community joined forces to centralize donations, identify recipients, and set up distribution systems and sites. During the 1997 winter holiday season, 1,368 families, representing 78 percent of Martin County families living at or under poverty, received toys, gifts and three to four days of food. Forty-six RSVP volunteers were directly responsible for collecting more than 33,000 cans of food and 6,000 toys. Sixteen youth volunteers from the juvenile justice system worked as team members with the RSVP volunteers to package food and items. The intergenerational teams also raised \$11,930 to support food purchases. RSVP volunteers also set up and managed warehouses and coordinated logistical support. Thirty-six local social service agencies found their "seasonal caseloads" significantly reduced and were able to focus on pressing client needs.

"Volunteering is pay-back to society for the good things I've received"

-- Jim Gray, RSVP
Volunteer in Eureka, CA
who provides crisis
intervention for crime
victims

"The time they have spent has made the difference between passing and failing for some children."

-- Carol Kaluvavich, Wilkes-Barre, PA elementary teacher about her RSVP volunteers

"If you've got any sense of concern, you've got to roll up your sleeves. I need to feel personally involved."

-- George Symond, RSVP Volunteer, NY City, who serves wherever he is needed---in the soup kitchen, as docent at the Historical Society and as a reader for the blind.

PUBLIC SAFETY

The Volunteer Center of Greater Orange County *Santa Ana, California*

RSVP-Orange County joined with the AARP, the FBI and the Orange County Sheriff's Department to battle senior telemarketing fraud by presenting the first ever Fraud Fighter training seminar at the Costa Mesa Community Center in September 1997. In November, more than 100 RSVP volunteers called 5,186 potential victims to educate them about telemarketing fraud and try to identify scams as they are being perpetrated. RSVP volunteers offered education and materials to potential fraud victims, delivered information to their volunteer stations for distribution to the public, and shared the information with other seniors and agencies in their communities. Since the volunteers' efforts, county statistics showed that 11 arrests have been made, several search warrants have been issued, more than \$350,000 has been seized from illegal telemarketing scams and \$100,000 has been intercepted and returned to the victims.

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program-Finley Hospital *Dubuque, Iowa*

Between January and October, 1997, a total of 350 small claims cases were to be scheduled in Dubuque Small Claims Court, greatly overburdening the ability of judges and magistrates to manage the case load in a reasonable amount of time. RSVP worked with Judge Randall Nigg to design training for volunteer mediators. Twenty RSVP volunteers were assigned to pre-trial mediation for all small claim cases. Approximately 60 percent of cases were resolved, avoiding need for a trial. Small claims cases that did go forward were handled in a timely way due to the smaller case load. Dubuque County estimates that the volunteers saved the public between \$19,000 and \$25,000 through their service.

"There is great joy in knowing other people are doing better because of something I did to help them."

*-- Pearl DeLucia, RSVP
Volunteer who teaches
English as a Second
Language in Warren
County, NJ*

"This is an extremely successful program and I am very happy with the results. We are getting a tremendous response from the Orange County Community, including many more reports of scams in progress..."

*-- Dennis DeMaio, Orange
County Sheriff Department,
about RSVP's Fraud Fighters*

ENVIRONMENT

New Hanover County Dept. of Aging RSVP

Wilmington, North Carolina

Having learned from Hurricane Andrew in Florida, New Hanover County Emergency Management (EMS) officials have an emergency preparedness plan in place to protect not only human lives, but also the fragile ecosystem. After Andrew, disaster workers were unable to identify important service locations (pumping stations for community sewer and water systems, and other utility substations) because signs and landmarks were blown away or covered with debris. New Hanover County EMS officials came up with a plan based on latitude and longitude of key locations but lacked staff to implement it. Ten RSVP volunteers were trained in use of location positioning equipment and recorded over 300 key locations. In 1997, two hurricanes struck the area and the data developed by RSVP was critical in the recovery effort.

Area I Agency on Aging/Volunteer Center RSVP

Eureka, California

A large freighter ran into a dock in November 1997, causing 4,500 gallons of crude oil to spill into the bay. This hazardous waste disaster was a threat to the wildlife and marine life. The Volunteer Center/RSVP program acted as the disaster volunteer management center, recruiting community assistance by preparing public service announcements for radio and television. The Volunteer Center/RSVP and the State Department of Fish and Game and the County Office of Emergency Services worked together to ascertain immediate cleanup needs and mobilize resources. As a result of the volunteers' work 200 shore birds were saved, 79 volunteers in total were successfully recruited from the community, 40 volunteers helped at the Marine Wildlife Facility, and 12 volunteers were recruited to join the Volunteer Center/RSVP program to serve as disaster preparedness volunteers.

Dubuque, Iowa's RSVP volunteers are valuable partners in helping the city reach its waste management, recycling and landfill reduction goals for the year 2000. Volunteers expanded recycling services to more than 1,500 seniors and persons with disabilities by helping to retrofit recycling bins and containers to be accessible to persons with special considerations.

"I love being a mentor...it is helpful to both me and the child..."

-- RSVP volunteer Annie Townsend, serving through RSVP of the Lower Eastern Shore (MD) is one of more than 100 mentors in a program sponsored by the Wicomico County Board of Education. Annie has been mentoring for four years.

She is a role model for Tamara, providing emotional and academic support.

SUBTITLE H INVESTMENT FOR QUALITY AND INNOVATION

Subtitle H of the National and Community Service Act authorizes the Corporation for National Service to undertake activities to support and improve the quality of national service programs, and to support innovative and model programs.

National Service Fellowships

In 1997, the first group of 13 National Service Fellows were selected. Their one-year fellowships supported projects examining various aspects of national service including diversity among AmeriCorps members, involvement of AmeriCorps*VISTA members in welfare-to-work programs and development of a statewide America Reads program in Rhode Island.

D.C. Reads

The Corporation implemented an innovative demonstration effort directed at helping young children in Washington, DC, schools learn to read. Service-learning students from Washington area colleges and universities tutored the children, and AmeriCorps*VISTA members coordinated the tutoring program. The initiative also involved Foster Grandparents, AmeriCorps*NCCC members and Learn and Serve America high school students, all serving in partnership with the Washington public schools and community-based organizations. An evaluation of the first year of the program showed positive results, as measured by test scores and reports from teachers, principals, and parents.

Emergency Management/Disaster Response

The Corporation collaborates with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the

"Without my experience in national service, I wouldn't have had a chance to work with people who have such diverse backgrounds."

*--AmeriCorps*VISTA member Jamie Deason coordinates Senior Corps volunteers serving in the DC Reads initiative.*

"D.C. Reads is our community's answer to the America Reads Challenge."

--Alan Chambers is Executive Director of Communities in Schools in Washington, a community partner in the D.C. Reads initiative.

American Red Cross and other federal, state and community organizations to help people prepare for potential disasters and, when necessary, to response to emergencies. The AmeriCorps Rapid Response Corps is sponsored by the American Red Cross. Members provided earthquake preparedness training to low-income and elderly residents of Southern California and supported the Red Cross response to disasters whenever they occur. AmeriCorps*NCCC collaborated with the U.S. Forest Service to train and certify a cadre of forest fire fighters and other members respond to emergencies when called. In 1997, AmeriCorps*NCCC members were among those assisting during the floods in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Teams have been there ever since, providing needed support, long after the floods were no longer a media event. National service members and volunteers also responded in 1997 to floods in Appalachia, the Ohio Valley, and the West Coast, to hurricanes in North Carolina, a typhoon on Guam and tornadoes in the Midwest.

People with Disabilities

The Corporation continued to support State Commissions and demonstration programs to involve people with disabilities as national service participants and to assure they are provided with reasonable accommodations necessary to perform their service.

Promoting Service: The Corporation was a co-sponsor of the Presidents' Summit for America's Future, held in Philadelphia in April, 1997. This event, led by General Colin Powell and sponsored by President Clinton, former Presidents Bush, Carter and Ford, and former first ladies Nancy Reagan and Lady Bird Johnson, focused national attention and resources on the need for a new level of concentrated citizen action to turn the tide for millions

"We were the stepping-stones helping them on the way to recovery."

*--Satina Bouttie serves on a team of AmeriCorps*NCCC members helping residents of Elba, Ohio, recover from a flood.*

"It's been an awesome experience, helping people in need who have had everything taken away from them."

--Susan Cooper, an AmeriCorps member, serves with the Rapid Response Corps in Atlanta.

"The Promise is mush-rooming, taking off like wildfire."

--Kelly Houston, Executive Director of the Idaho Commission on National and Community Service, helped organize the Idaho's Promise Summit to meet the goals of the Presidents' Summit.

of young people. The goal of the Summit and of America's Promise, the organization which, under General Powell's leadership, is spearheading the implementation of the Summit's goal, is to mobilize millions of citizens and thousands of organizations—including government, corporations, foundations, and faith-based and community organizations—to help children who lack conditions for success in life. National service is actively involved in achieving each of the five fundamental resources for youth identified at the Summit. The fifth of those fundamental resources—service by young people so they can give back to their communities—is at the heart of the Corporation's mission. The Corporation collaborated with a growing alliance of organizations committed to youth service, including civic and service groups such as the YMCA, Boys and Girls Clubs, the Lions, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America, the W.K. Kellogg and James Irvine Foundations, Viacom's MTV Network and the Council of Religious Volunteer Agencies.

Fulfilling the mandate of the 1994 law, the Corporation made small, "mini-grants" to community-based organizations to support the annual **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service**, which encourages Americans of all ages and backgrounds to make the holiday commemorating Dr. King "a day on, not a day off" with community service projects illustrating the life and service of Martin Luther King. In 1997, 72 grants were awarded to communities in 32 states. In El Paso, community volunteers and students, working with Habitat for Humanity, began and completed two houses over the Martin Luther King weekend for low-income families

The Corporation also provided funding support for the **Points of Light Foundation** and took a leadership role in national and

"There are a lot of people who want to make a difference in children's lives. RSVP can play a part."

--Marty Sowka, Portage County, Wisconsin, RSVP Director who works with other community leaders to plan local implementation of the goals of the Presidents' Summit.

"It's good to have an army again. I love it. It's going to be a great army."

--General Colin Powell, at the Presidents' Summit in Philadelphia, anticipating the millions of citizens who will join America's Promise to provide the nation's youth with the fundamental resources they need to attain productive lives.

local service and volunteer events, including **National Youth Service Day, National Volunteer Week, Make a Difference Day, and The Big Help.**

In addition to the innovation and demonstration efforts described above, Subtitle H authority supports leadership development, training and technical assistance, and recruitment activities of the Corporation.

SUMMARY of 1997 EVALUATIONS

AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps*State/National Programs Impact Evaluation: First Year Report

Aguirre International has been conducting a multi-year outcome-based study of programs utilizing AmeriCorps*State/National members. This report of the first year of AmeriCorps operations addresses the programs' direct service outcomes, members' impacts, and community strengthening effects. The report concludes that AmeriCorps programs provided substantial service to the nation during its first year, directly benefiting over 4.5 million Americans. The authors point out that in such areas as member development outcomes and community strengthening, the results of one year of operation are insufficient to draw conclusions. They do report, however, that what evidence they could observe was consistent with AmeriCorps having significant positive impacts on members and the institutions in which they serve. A final report to be issued in 1998 will provide more detailed evidence. The report notes that the first year of AmeriCorps was characterized by addressing the challenges of rapid implementation, particularly in the areas of program management and member training.

A Study of Race, Class, and Ethnicity

This study, conducted by Macro International, was a largely qualitative exploration of the state of relations among AmeriCorps members of different backgrounds. The authors studied twelve AmeriCorps program sites in-depth, interviewing and observing members, supervisors, and host-site personnel. Their goals were to identify elements indicative of successful support of diversity, to identify benefits of diversity if they existed, and to assess the effect the AmeriCorps experience had on members' attitudes. The researchers concluded that eight program elements had the potential to support diversity in programs using AmeriCorps members. While they found considerable evidence that the programs studied were designing and managing these program elements in support of diversity, no program studied was using them all, and the researchers identified a range of challenges and problems that programs and members faced related to operating in a diverse environment. The study reports thirteen benefits of diversity observed by the authors, although the programs studied reaped those benefits to varying degrees.

Practical Applications: Strategies for Supporting a Diverse Corps

This effective practices guide was developed as an outgrowth of the research done on diversity in the previously described study. It included tips and insights culled from interviews and observation of AmeriCorps programs about the fostering of good relations among diverse members. Areas covered included recruitment, retention, program values and policies, training and skill development, assignments, managing group conflict, and managing host-site relations.

AmeriCorps*VISTA Accomplishments, 1996

Conducted by Westat, Inc., this survey of the AmeriCorps*VISTA projects compiled the reported accomplishments of all VISTA projects that had been operating for at least one year at the time of the survey. The study included 652 projects and the efforts of 3,355 VISTA members. They supported activities in education, public safety, the environment, community and economic development, housing, health and nutrition and organizational capacity building. Nearly 2.3 million Americans benefited these activities. VISTA members helped their sponsoring organizations by raising about \$32,000,000 in cash to support general operations and specific activities. They mobilized 114,000 volunteers from their communities who in turn provided 3.2 million hours of service.

Sustainability Study of AmeriCorps*VISTA-Supported Projects and Activities

PeopleWorks, Inc. conducted this study to determine the proportion of VISTA-supported activities that continued to provide service to their communities two and five years after the VISTA members had departed. A survey was conducted of 240 supervisory personnel who had been involved in closed VISTA projects. The study sought to determine whether the activities supported by the VISTA members had been expanded, maintained, reduced or terminated since the departure of VISTA. Overall, 72.6 percent of the VISTA supported programs continued to operate two and five years after VISTA. The roles that VISTA members played in fundraising, resource development, and volunteer generation were found to be key to the high survival rate of former VISTA projects.

Description and Evaluation of the Summer Reads Initiative

This Macro International study investigated the implementation of summer reading improvement programs funded by AmeriCorps*VISTA and those operated by the NCCC. The study concluded that, despite an inadequate

start-up and planning period, most of the 15 programs studied were successful in their primary goal--improving reading skills among youth. The authors recommended more training for the tutors, greater efforts toward parental involvement, and better documentation for evaluation purposes.

AmeriCorps Leaders--Year Three Report

The AmeriCorps Leaders Year Three Report is a formative evaluation seeking to determine whether the AmeriCorps Leaders Program (ACLP) was operating effectively and meeting its goals. Among the findings were that the Leaders found their training effective in preparing them for a national service career (92 percent) and for work at their service site (73 percent). Program directors that hosted leaders also reported them to be well trained. The report contains a series of suggestions for improving future training based on report studies. The report authors detail many areas in which Leaders' efforts were reported to have an impact on the programs in which they served, including member impacts, forging links with other service programs, and improving program management. The report describes the improvements in the ACLP made in the previous two years and suggests areas in which further improvements would be beneficial, principally in Leader training and coordination between programs hosting Leaders and the ACLP office in Washington.

A Study of Three Corporation Leaders Programs compared the AmeriCorps Leaders Program (ACLP) with the leadership programs operated by AmeriCorps*VISTA and AmeriCorps*NCCC. Of particular interest was the potential for the three programs to operate in close coordination or to be combined in some fashion. The researchers found that there were strong similarities between the VISTA and ACLP programs, while the NCCC program served a fundamentally different purpose, member supervision. The study concluded with several options for modifying the organization of the leaders programs, including combining the programs or creating a new program out of their common operations and leaving the unique elements in the respective programs.

National Senior Service Corps

A Study of Foster Grandparent/Head Start Programs

The Foster Grandparent program operates over 4,000 stations in Head Start centers. This study was conducted by Westat, Inc. to lay a foundation for future quantitative studies of the impact of FGP on children in Head Start centers. The study authors used the Arnett Caregiver's Scale to observe the effectiveness of Foster Grandparents in providing care to young children. The study identified a wide range of contributions to positive child outcomes made

by Foster Grandparents in areas including emotional well-being, self esteem and self efficacy, and in social, behavioral skills, language, and cognitive development. They also identified a range of classroom-level contributions made by the Grandparents.

APPENDIX A

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APPENDIX B

STATE PROFILE SUMMARIES

National Service in ALABAMA

Getting things done in Alabama. Through national service, more than **45,100** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **64** national service projects across Alabama. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Alabama are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **200** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Alabama. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Alabama State Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Charleston, South Carolina, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Alabama and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **28,500** students of all ages in Alabama apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **16,384** seniors in Alabama contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **540** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **273** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **15,571** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"I have not felt so good about anything since taking office."
Governor Fob James after recognizing AmeriCorps Service Heroes at the 1996 Opening Ceremonies

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	4	102	\$1,166,462
AmeriCorps*National	3	39	\$160,668
AmeriCorps*VISTA	15	99	\$1,237,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$217,570
AmeriCorps Total	22	240	\$2,782,200

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Alabama, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 599 Alabama residents have received awards totalling \$2,172,782 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	26	28,450	\$360,333
Higher Education	4	0	52	\$39,170
Learn and Serve America Total	6	26	28,502	\$399,503

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	7	540	\$1,662,507
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	26	15,571	\$1,053,269
Senior Companion Program	3	273	\$707,753
National Senior Service Corps Total	36	16,384	\$3,423,529

Total National Service Resources	64	26	45,126	\$6,605,232
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¹ Alabama is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina. In the past year, 20 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Wilcox County.

National Service in ALASKA

Getting things done in Alaska. Through national service, more than **2,400** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **20** national service projects across Alaska. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Alaska are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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"We talk a lot about partnerships but this is a beautiful example of one that's really working. And it's working because a lot of people have put aside their boundaries and gotten creative about how to make something work in a way that benefits individuals and benefits communities."

Lieutenant Governor Fran Ulmer, while conducting the 1996 AmeriCorps member swearing-in ceremony



Learn and Serve America: More than **1,800** students of all ages in Alaska apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem-solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **542** seniors in Alaska contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **140** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **95** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **307** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	3	60	\$818,125
AmeriCorps*VISTA	10	44	\$550,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$125,000
AmeriCorps Total	13	104	\$1,493,125

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Alaska, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 263 Alaska residents have received awards totalling \$1,083,410 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	0	1,800	\$149,644
Higher Education	0	0	0	\$0 ²
Learn and Serve America Total	2	0	1,800	\$149,644

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	2	140	\$629,347
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	2	307	\$80,275
Senior Companion Program	1	95	\$188,750
National Senior Service Corps Total	5	542	\$898,372

Total National Service Resources	20	0	2,446	\$2,541,141
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¹ Alaska is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in San Diego, California. In the past year, 11 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Fairbanks.

² No colleges or universities currently receive Learn and Serve America Higher Education funding in this state.

National Service in ARIZONA

Getting things done in Arizona. Through national service, more than **5,800** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **49** national service projects across Arizona. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Arizona are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **400** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Arizona. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Arizona National and Community Service Commission. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in San Diego, California, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Arizona and nearby states.

"Striving for economic development in Pinal County, VISTA volunteers have achieved many of their challenging goals. Sponsoring a VISTA is vital to our overall mission."

Mary Lichter, President, Eloy Chamber of Commerce



Learn and Serve America: More than **1,600** students of all ages in Arizona apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **3,699** seniors in Arizona contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **265** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **114** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **3,320** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	6	191	\$1,508,384
AmeriCorps*National	8	150	\$367,893
AmeriCorps*VISTA	12	43	\$537,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
AmeriCorps*Indian Tribes	2	85	\$1,051,346
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$221,545
AmeriCorps Total	28	469	\$3,686,668

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Arizona, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 912 Arizona residents have received awards totalling \$3,559,036 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	3	0	600	\$190,000
Higher Education	6	0	1,071	\$552,000
Learn and Serve America Total	9	0	1,671	\$742,000

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	3	265	\$867,286
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	7	3,320	\$400,690
Senior Companion Program	2	114	\$377,495
National Senior Service Corps Total	12	3,699	\$1,645,471
Total National Service Resources	49	0	\$6,074,139

¹ Arizona is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in San Diego, California. In the past year, 81 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Flagstaff, Oracle, Safford, Phoenix, and Wilcox.

National Service in ARKANSAS

Getting things done in Arkansas. Through national service, more than **12,700** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **72** national service projects across Arkansas. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Arkansas are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **300** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Arkansas. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Arkansas Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Charleston, South Carolina, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Arkansas and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **1,700** students of all ages in Arkansas apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **10,578** seniors in Arkansas contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **365** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **270** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **9,943** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"Our VISTA, Denise Penix, has made a considerable impact on the community of North Little Rock. I feel that VISTA is one of the greatest programs ever funded."

**Officer Tommy Dickson,
North Little Rock Police
Department**

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	11	209	\$915,432
AmeriCorps*National	6	106	\$797,888
AmeriCorps*VISTA	30	80	\$1,000,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$172,344
AmeriCorps Total	47	395	\$2,885,664

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Arkansas, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 480 Arkansas residents have received awards totalling \$1,893,465 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	3	5	1,782	\$230,885
Higher Education	0	0	0	\$0 ²
Learn and Serve America Total	3	5	1,782	\$230,885

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	5	365	\$1,098,113
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	13	9,943	\$479,026
Senior Companion Program	4	270	\$884,620
National Senior Service Corps Total	22	10,578	\$2,461,759

Total National Service Resources	72	5	12,755	\$5,578,308
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¹ Arkansas is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina. In the past year, 21 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Jacksonville and Wrightsville.

² No colleges or universities currently receive Learn and Serve America Higher Education funding in this state.

National Service in COLORADO

Getting things done in Colorado. Through national service, more than **75,900** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **65** national service projects across Colorado. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Colorado are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **600** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Colorado. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Governor's Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Colorado and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **64,700** students of all ages in Colorado apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **10,542** seniors in Colorado contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **291** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **115** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **10,136** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"The Corporation for National Service was conceived as a new way for the federal government to conduct business. AmeriCorps reflects this objective, providing every motivated individual an opportunity to serve his community."

Governor Roy Romer

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<u>AmeriCorps</u>	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
AmeriCorps*State	8	219	\$2,181,283
AmeriCorps*National	4	53	\$311,022
AmeriCorps*VISTA	26	77	\$962,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC ¹	1	288	\$4,876,298
Governor's Innovative AmeriCorps Programs	1	19	\$184,971 ²
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$206,017
AmeriCorps Total	40	656	\$8,722,091

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Colorado, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 908 Colorado residents have received awards totalling \$3,058,324 in education aid.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	4	170	64,015	\$633,934
Higher Education	3	0	707	\$138,000
Learn and Serve America Total	7	170	64,722	\$771,934

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>		<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	3		291	\$863,382
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	13		10,136	\$630,123
Senior Companion Program	2		115	\$383,271
National Senior Service Corps Total	18		10,542	\$1,876,776
National Service Resources Total	65	170	75,920	\$11,370,801

¹ Colorado is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, the members based at this campus performed 46 service projects throughout Colorado. Members also serve in Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

² Governor's Innovative Programs provide an opportunity for governors to use AmeriCorps or other community service programs in creative ways to meet pressing needs within the state.

National Service in CALIFORNIA

Getting things done in California. Through national service, more than **205,200** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **210** national service projects across California. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. These are only a few of the national service programs operating in California that demonstrate the efficacy of service as a strategy for solving serious problems that plague local communities and the state. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, California's citizens are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **8,600** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in California. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the California Commission on Improving Life Through Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in San Diego, California, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in California and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **161,300** students of all ages apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants to California schools and colleges and national organizations based in California. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem-solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **35,225** California seniors contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **1,515** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **956** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **32,754** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program address a wide range of community needs.

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"The importance of AmeriCorps members and their many contributions to the community cannot be overstated. Their service and dedication stand as a beacon for the rest of us to follow. They play a vital role in sustaining the well-being of our community and are able to address difficult challenges. AmeriCorps members exemplify the best of our best of human spirit and our willingness to help one another for a greater good."

Tulare County Supervisor Bill Maze

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	38	3,236	\$22,491,487
AmeriCorps*National	50	4,805	\$3,372,253
AmeriCorps*VISTA	42	261	\$3,262,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC ¹	1	299	\$4,395,827
AmeriCorps*Indian Tribes	1	30	\$374,945
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$750,000
AmeriCorps Total	132	8,631	\$34,647,012

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for California, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 6,289 California residents have received awards totalling \$23,352,259 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	3	47	137,000	\$2,539,047
Higher Education	7	20	24,372	\$1,087,554
Learn and Serve America Total	10	67	161,372	\$3,626,601

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	14	1,515	\$4,464,775
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	43	32,754	\$2,735,396
Senior Companion Program	11	956	\$1,331,302
National Senior Service Corps Total	68	35,225	\$8,531,473

Total National Service Resources	210	67	205,228	\$46,805,086
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¹ California is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in San Diego, California. In the past year, the members based at this campus performed 63 service projects throughout California. Members also serve in Alaska, Arizona, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington State, and the Pacific Territories.

National Service in CONNECTICUT

Getting things done in Connecticut. Through national service, more than **12,700** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **51** national service projects across Connecticut. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, Connecticut's citizens are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **700** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Connecticut. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Connecticut Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Perry Point, Maryland, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Connecticut and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **5,000** Connecticut K-12 students apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem-solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **7,000** Connecticut seniors provide their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **353** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **195** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **6,452** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program address a wide range of community needs.

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"Unfortunately, there is an incredible demand on Connecticut's limited resources and, as Governor, I am always concerned about preserving educational opportunities and increasing quality and diversity in our educational system. It pleases me to know that organizations such as yours are concerned with improving the quality of education that individual states can offer to their residents."

Letter from Governor John Rowland to Harris Wofford (June 13, 1997) upon receiving a Learn and Serve America grant

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	8	482	\$3,331,722
AmeriCorps*National	8	197	\$475,424
AmeriCorps*VISTA	13	35	\$437,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$191,951
AmeriCorps Total	29	714	\$4,436,597

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Connecticut, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 846 Connecticut residents have received awards totalling \$2,935,268 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	4	5,032	\$379,252
Higher Education	0	0	0	\$0 ²
Learn and Serve America Total	2	4	5,032	\$379,252

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	4	353	\$1,052,036
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	13	6,452	\$553,190
Senior Companion Program	3	195	\$516,452
National Senior Service Corps Total	20	7,000	\$2,121,678

Total National Service Resources	51	4	12,746	\$6,937,527
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¹ Connecticut is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Perry Point, Maryland.

² No colleges or universities currently receive Learn and Serve America Higher Education funding in this state.

National Service in DELAWARE

Getting things done in Delaware. Through national service, more than **4,700** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **15** national service projects across Delaware. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Delaware are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **100** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Delaware. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Delaware Community Service Commission. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Perry Point, Maryland, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Delaware and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **1,400** students of all ages in Delaware apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **3,111** seniors in Delaware contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **205** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **70** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **2,836** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"Today, Delawareans of all ages and from all walks of life are joining together to change the face of our communities through national service. Not only does AmeriCorps strengthen individuals, it sews neighborhoods and schools together with the common thread of service and social responsibility. Here in the First State, that translates into healthier babies, reduced crime, mentoring and tutoring efforts which are increasing student success, adult education and literacy programs to build self-sufficiency, and leadership development which will help future generations to convert the service ethic into local action."

Governor Thomas R. Carper

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	4	146	\$755,540
AmeriCorps*National	1	21	\$173,573
AmeriCorps*VISTA	3	16	\$200,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$126,563
AmeriCorps Total	8	183	\$1,255,676

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Delaware, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 162 Delaware residents have received awards totalling \$604,436 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	23	1,475	\$128,298
Higher Education	0	0	0	\$0 ²
Learn and Serve America Total	2	23	1,475	\$128,298

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	1	205	\$291,322
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	3	2,836	\$172,562
Senior Companion Program	1	70	\$254,796
National Senior Service Corps Total	5	3,111	\$718,680

Total National Service Resources	15	23	4,769	\$2,102,654
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¹ Delaware is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Perry Point, Maryland. In the past year, 44 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Arden, Dover, Lewes, and New Castle.

² No colleges or universities currently receive Learn and Serve America Higher Education funding in this state.

National Service in THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Getting things done in the District of Columbia. Through national service, more than **43,800** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **53** national service projects across the District of Columbia. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, the District of Columbia's citizens are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

*"I want to acknowledge the RSVP and Foster Grandparent volunteers who work with our teachers and our children, and who show how much we can gain if we call upon the wisdom, energy and experience of our older citizens. I want to commend the AmeriCorps volunteers who have been working since last year to rebuild schools and teach and tutor our students. And I also want to thank the AmeriCorps*VISTA volunteers who are determined to make DC Reads succeed and expand."*



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **700** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in the District of Columbia. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Washington, DC, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in the District of Columbia and nearby states.

Gen. Julius Becton, Chief Executive Officer, DC Public Schools, thanking national service participants at the launch of the DC Reads initiative.



Learn and Serve America: More than **42,200** students of all ages apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants to District of Columbia schools and colleges and national organizations based in the District of Columbia. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem-solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **864** District of Columbia seniors contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **205** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **77** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **582** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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<u>AmeriCorps</u>	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
AmeriCorps*State	3	106	\$487,810
AmeriCorps*National	19	408	\$908,654
AmeriCorps*VISTA	14	94	\$1,175,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC ¹	1	103	\$1,796,633
AmeriCorps Total	37	711	\$4,368,097

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for the District of Columbia, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 554 District of Columbia residents have received awards totalling \$2,013,887 in education aid.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	1	12	35,545	\$614,882
Higher Education	2	0	6,753	\$1,720,778
Learn and Serve America Total	3	12	42,298	\$2,335,660

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	1	205	\$578,469
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	1	582	\$73,667
Senior Companion Program	1	77	\$311,467
National Senior Service Corps Total	3	864	\$963,603

Total National Service Resources	43	12	43,873	\$7,667,360
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¹ The District of Columbia is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Washington, DC. In the past year members performed 8 service projects in Washington, DC. The members based at this campus also serve in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia.

National Service in FLORIDA

Getting things done in Florida. Through national service, more than **56,200** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **120** national service projects across Florida. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Florida are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **1,000** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Florida. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Florida Commission on Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Charleston, South Carolina, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Florida and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **23,400** students of all ages in Florida apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **31,772** seniors in Florida contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **1,201** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **689** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **29,882** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"Helping our neighbors build strong families and communities is essential for a healthy Florida.

Service-oriented organizations like AmeriCorps and its volunteers are helping to strengthen the fabric of our society. I applaud AmeriCorps' tremendous efforts and its dedication to serving the needs of our citizens in the Sunshine State."

Governor Lawton Chiles

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	23	710	\$6,393,467
AmeriCorps*National	14	166	\$872,284
AmeriCorps*VISTA	23	151	\$1,887,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$477,309
AmeriCorps Total	60	1,027	\$9,630,560

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Florida, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 1,523 Florida residents have received awards totalling \$5,698,244 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	83	19,350	\$1,072,323
Higher Education	6	0	4,088	\$145,000
Learn and Serve America Total	8	83	23,438	\$1,217,323

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	11	1,201	\$3,587,158
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	34	29,882	\$1,745,581
Senior Companion Program	7	689	\$1,504,127
National Senior Service Corps Total	52	31,772	\$6,836,866

Total National Service Resources	120	83	56,237	\$17,684,749
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¹ Florida is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina. In the past year, 48 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Florida City, Christmas, Key West, and Broward County.

Getting things done in Georgia. Through national service, more than **27,700** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **86** national service projects across Georgia. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Georgia are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **1,600** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Georgia. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Georgia Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Charleston, South Carolina, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Georgia and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **17,700** students of all ages in Georgia apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **8,319** seniors in Georgia contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **615** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **542** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **7,162** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"As AmeriCorps members gain in construction skill, our affiliates are able to expand the number of occasional volunteers through increased capacity to supervise and manage volunteers. We at Habitat for Humanity feel privileged and honored to have the AmeriCorps people with us, and we want more of them as time goes on."

**Millard Fuller, Founder,
Habitat for Humanity**

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	15	522	\$4,423,416
AmeriCorps*National	12	1,081	\$675,736
AmeriCorps*VISTA	25	91	\$1,137,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$296,570
AmeriCorps Total	52	1,694	\$6,533,222

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Georgia, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 1,219 Georgia residents have received awards totalling \$4,353,037 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	50	16,000	\$718,566
Higher Education	3	0	1,754	\$300,222
Learn and Serve America Total	5	50	17,754	\$1,018,788

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	10	615	\$1,653,162
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	10	7,162	\$549,767
Senior Companion Program	9	542	\$940,993
National Senior Service Corps Total	29	8,319	\$3,143,922

Total National Service Resources	86	50	27,767	\$10,695,932
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¹ Georgia is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina. In the past year, 21 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Atlanta and Macon.

Getting things done in Hawaii. Through national service, more than **15,600** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **29** national service projects across Hawaii. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Hawaii are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **100** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Hawaii. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Hawaii State Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in San Diego, California, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Hawaii and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **12,100** students of all ages in Hawaii apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **3,305** seniors in Hawaii contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **134** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **127** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **3,044** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"With a proven history of success, the AmeriCorps program is prepared to continue its outstanding service and commitment to the people of Hawaii. The Corporation for National Service can be proud of AmeriCorps' record of accomplishments and service to our community."

**Representative Patsy T. Mink,
May 9, 1997**

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<u>AmeriCorps</u>	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
AmeriCorps*State	5	109	\$799,643
AmeriCorps*National	2	31	\$362,896
AmeriCorps*VISTA	11	16	\$200,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$138,332
AmeriCorps Total	18	156	\$1,500,871

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Hawaii, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 179 Hawaii residents have received awards totalling \$647,052 in education aid.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	1	20	500	\$71,265
Higher Education	4	0	11,689	\$70,550
Learn and Serve America Total	5	20	12,189	\$141,815

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	1	134	\$295,599
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	4	3,044	\$190,498
Senior Companion Program	1	127	\$255,090
National Senior Service Corps Total	6	3,305	\$741,187

Total National Service Resources	29	20	15,650	\$2,383,873
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¹ Hawaii is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in San Diego, California. In the past year, 12 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on a project in Honolulu.

Getting things done in Idaho. Through national service, more than **8,300** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **30** national service projects across Idaho. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Idaho are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **100** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Idaho. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Idaho Commission for National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in San Diego, California, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Idaho and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **4,000** students of all ages in Idaho apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **4,248** seniors in Idaho contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **199** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **125** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **3,924** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

*"I cannot say enough to express how valuable the AmeriCorps*VISTA volunteers have been in this endeavor. The AmeriCorps volunteers that we have had the pleasure to work with have demonstrated the dedication and skills necessary to keep our group on track. We could not have accomplished half as much without the support of these volunteers."*

Michele Marcum, Chairman of the Canyon Area Immunization Coalition

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	4	63	\$601,923
AmeriCorps*National	2	40	\$0 ¹
AmeriCorps*VISTA	12	40	\$500,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ²	N/A ²	N/A ²
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$138,474
AmeriCorps Total	18	143	\$1,240,397

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Idaho, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 262 Idaho residents have received awards totalling \$1,054,790 in education aid.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	1	13	4,000	\$84,235
Higher Education	0	0	0	\$0 ³
Learn and Serve America Total	1	13	4,000	\$84,235

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	3	199	\$552,894
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	6	3,924	\$319,997
Senior Companion Program	2	125	\$330,819
National Senior Service Corps Total	11	4,248	\$1,203,710

Total National Service Resources	30	13	8,391	\$2,528,342
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¹ Idaho is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in San Diego, California.

² Idaho's AmeriCorps*National participants work with a subgrantee based in another state. Funding for that program is accrued to the primary grantee's home state.

³ No colleges or universities currently receive Learn and Serve America Higher Education funding in this state.

National Service in INDIAN TRIBES

Getting things done in Indian Tribes. Through national service, more than **27,900** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **31** national service projects across Indian Tribes. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Indian Tribes are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

"I never thought I would do anything other than stay home and take care of my kids. But now, after serving in Round Rock AmeriCorps, I am going to college in the evenings and serving during the day. My dream is to be a teacher -- I know I will achieve it -- with AmeriCorps' help."

Mary Claeson, second year Round Rock AmeriCorps member, Navajo Nation



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **100** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Indian Tribes. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the . The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in , conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Indian Tribes and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **27,100** students of all ages in Indian Tribes apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **655** seniors in Indian Tribes contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **338** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **86** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **231** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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<u>AmeriCorps</u>	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
AmeriCorps*Indian Tribes	6	163	\$1,933,085
AmeriCorps Total	6	163	\$1,933,085

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Indian Tribes, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	15	12	27,129	\$941,152
Higher Education	2	0	30	\$95,000
Learn and Serve America Total	17	12	27,159	\$1,036,152

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	5	338	\$1,084,061
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	1	231	\$23,721
Senior Companion Program	2	86	\$276,625
National Senior Service Corps Total	8	655	\$1,384,407

Total National Service Resources	31	12	27,977	\$4,353,644
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This data reflects resources directly granted to tribal organizations. Other resources are also granted through state and national programs to local and national nonprofits that directly serve Native Americans

National Service in ILLINOIS

Getting things done in Illinois. Through national service, more than **38,000** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **105** national service projects across Illinois. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Illinois are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **900** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Illinois. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Illinois Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Illinois and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **21,000** students of all ages in Illinois apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **15,991** seniors in Illinois contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **758** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **398** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **14,835** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"AmeriCorps members not only work for society, but with society, and that shows people that there are people out there who really do care."

Rend Lake College Police Chief Jerry Bate

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	24	595	\$5,746,185
AmeriCorps*National	9	165	\$1,007,118
AmeriCorps*VISTA	31	192	\$2,400,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$411,817
AmeriCorps Total	64	952	\$9,565,120

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Illinois, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 1,613 Illinois residents have received awards totalling \$6,163,815 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	100	20,575	\$1,082,008
Higher Education	1	0	500	\$0 ²
Learn and Serve America Total	3	100	21,075	\$1,082,008

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	9	758	\$2,413,642
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	22	14,835	\$1,307,440
Senior Companion Program	7	398	\$935,937
National Senior Service Corps Total	38	15,991	\$4,657,019

Total National Service Resources	105	100	38,018	\$15,304,147
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¹ Illinois is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 23 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Chicago.

² Illinois' Learn and Serve America Higher Education participants work with a subgrantee based in another state. Funding for that program is accrued to the grantee's home state.

National Service in INDIANA

Getting things done in Indiana. Through national service, more than **61,600** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **76** national service projects across Indiana. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Indiana are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **600** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Indiana. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Indiana Commission on Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Indiana and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **50,600** students of all ages in Indiana apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **10,241** seniors in Indiana contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **469** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **175** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **9,597** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"AmeriCorps gives people the opportunity to serve their communities. From tutoring students to teaching conflict resolution, from helping the homeless to aiding the homebound elderly, Hoosiers have the chance to improve themselves by serving others."

Governor Frank O'Bannon, speaking to AmeriCorps members during the Indiana Opening Day ceremonies on October 23, 1997

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	16	572	\$3,067,813
AmeriCorps*National	7	75	\$284,907
AmeriCorps*VISTA	12	40	\$500,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$257,772
AmeriCorps Total	35	687	\$4,110,492

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Indiana, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 618 Indiana residents have received awards totalling \$2,281,500 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	5	83	48,544	\$1,039,320
Higher Education	4	68	2,130	\$759,694
Learn and Serve America Total	9	151	50,674	\$1,799,014

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	7	469	\$1,492,998
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	23	9,597	\$788,331
Senior Companion Program	2	175	\$559,026
National Senior Service Corps Total	32	10,241	\$2,840,355

Total National Service Resources	76	151	61,602	\$8,749,861
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¹ Indiana is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 64 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Indianapolis and Whiting.

Getting things done in Iowa. Through national service, more than **45,100** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **64** national service projects across Iowa. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Iowa are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **200** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Iowa. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Iowa Commission on Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Iowa and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **28,100** students of all ages in Iowa apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **16,730** seniors in Iowa contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **402** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **219** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **16,109** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"National service is one of the least costly investments our government can make. And the payback is tremendous. AmeriCorps members are not only helping meet the immediate needs of our country's youth, they are also teaching, by their example, the importance of serving and helping others."

Congressman Jim Leach, July 14, 1997

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	13	272	\$1,717,219
AmeriCorps*VISTA	11	26	\$325,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$181,116
AmeriCorps Total	24	298	\$2,223,335

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Iowa, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 451 Iowa residents have received awards totalling \$1,676,315 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	3	100	28,000	\$186,870
Higher Education	2	27	150	\$298,596
Learn and Serve America Total	5	127	28,150	\$485,466

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	7	402	\$1,264,508
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	25	16,109	\$680,210
Senior Companion Program	3	219	\$575,551
National Senior Service Corps Total	35	16,730	\$2,520,269

Total National Service Resources	64	127	45,178	\$5,229,070
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¹ Iowa is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado.

National Service in KANSAS

Getting things done in Kansas. Through national service, more than **17,000** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **54** national service projects across Kansas. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Kansas are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **200** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Kansas. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Kansas Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Kansas and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **7,200** students of all ages in Kansas apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **9,530** seniors in Kansas contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **359** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **195** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **8,976** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"On behalf of the State of Kansas, it is a great honor to express my appreciation in the recognition of the AmeriCorps members who took the challenge for a season of service. Your many sacrifices and your service to our great nation will not be forgotten."
Governor Bill Graves in letter to Kansas AmeriCorps members upon their July 1997 graduation

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	9	215	\$1,186,298
AmeriCorps*National	1	20	\$0 ¹
AmeriCorps*VISTA	16	41	\$512,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ²	N/A ²	N/A ²
Governor's Innovative AmeriCorps Programs	1	18	\$131,268 ³
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$173,943
AmeriCorps Total	27	294	\$2,004,009

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Kansas, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 454 Kansas residents have received awards totalling \$1,697,056 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	3	40	7,000	\$401,436
Higher Education	1	0	266	\$140,000
Learn and Serve America Total	4	40	7,266	\$541,436

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	6	359	\$1,453,541
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	15	8,976	\$458,770
Senior Companion Program	2	195	\$463,247
National Senior Service Corps Total	23	9,530	\$2,375,558

Total National Service Resources	54	40	17,090	\$4,921,003
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¹ Kansas is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado.

² Kansas' AmeriCorps*National participants work with a subgrantee based in another state. Funding for that program is accrued to the primary grantee's home state.

³ Governor's Innovative Programs provide an opportunity for governors to use AmeriCorps or other community service programs in creative ways to meet pressing needs within the state.

National Service in KENTUCKY

Getting things done in Kentucky. Through national service, more than **18,800** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **45** national service projects across Kentucky. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Kentucky are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **400** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Kentucky. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Charleston, South Carolina, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Kentucky and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **13,600** students of all ages in Kentucky apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **4,809** seniors in Kentucky contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **420** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **289** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **4,100** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"The presence of AmeriCorps in Kentucky not only positively promotes the ethic of national service as a movement, it increases the level of traditional volunteerism and community building in counties across the state."

Lt. Governor Dr. Stephen Henry

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	10	300	\$3,429,269
AmeriCorps*National	4	69	\$222,033
AmeriCorps*VISTA	11	42	\$525,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$207,583
AmeriCorps Total	25	411	\$4,383,885

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Kentucky, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 691 Kentucky residents have received awards totalling \$2,938,302 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	89	6,000	\$472,357
Higher Education	1	0	7,650	\$72,000
Learn and Serve America Total	3	89	13,650	\$544,357

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	5	420	\$1,394,224
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	9	4,100	\$523,273
Senior Companion Program	3	289	\$739,282
National Senior Service Corps Total	17	4,809	\$2,656,779

Total National Service Resources	45	89	18,870	\$7,585,021
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¹ Kentucky is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina. In the past year, 22 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Louisville and Georgetown.

National Service in LOUISIANA

Getting things done in Louisiana. Through national service, more than **21,700** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **64** national service projects across Louisiana. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Louisiana are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **500** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Louisiana. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Louisiana Serve Commission. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Charleston, South Carolina, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Louisiana and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **12,400** students of all ages in Louisiana apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **8,821** seniors in Louisiana contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **508** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **204** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **8,109** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"The ShrevCORPS program has been a great community resource since the summer of 1994. The Corps has improved the quality of living for low-income and senior households through weatherization, painting, yard maintenance, and minor repairs. They have increased neighborhood pride and safety by removing 77 tons of debris and reduced litter by 75 percent. They have also improved the aesthetic value of public property through the removal of graffiti and planting of trees."

Representative Jim McCreery

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	6	236	\$1,532,452
AmeriCorps*National	9	238	\$960,129
AmeriCorps*VISTA	20	65	\$812,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$219,557
AmeriCorps Total	35	539	\$3,524,638

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Louisiana, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 935 Louisiana residents have received awards totalling \$3,437,434 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	1	66	10,643	\$451,923
Higher Education	5	0	1,772	\$35,593
Learn and Serve America Total	6	66	12,415	\$487,516
	<u>No. of Projects</u>		<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>				
Foster Grandparent Program	7		508	\$1,634,027
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	13		8,109	\$506,542
Senior Companion Program	3		204	\$620,163
National Senior Service Corps Total	23		8,821	\$2,760,732
Total National Service Resources	64	66	21,775	\$6,772,886

¹ Louisiana is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina. In the past year, 11 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on a project in the community of New Roads.

National Service in MAINE

Getting things done in Maine. Through national service, more than **5,900** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **31** national service projects across Maine. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Maine are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **200** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Maine. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Maine Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Perry Point, Maryland, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Maine and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **2,000** students of all ages in Maine apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **3,750** seniors in Maine contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **195** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **126** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **3,429** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"Maine has a strong commitment to community service and is benefiting from the accomplishments of all the national service programs. I was pleased to present certificates of recognition to the National Civilian Community Corps which completed a month of difficult trail building in our state."

Governor Angus S. King, Jr.,
in a letter to Harris Wofford,
August 13, 1997

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	6	128	\$1,181,414
AmeriCorps*National	5	55	\$202,750
AmeriCorps*VISTA	8	28	\$350,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$139,861
AmeriCorps Total	19	211	\$1,874,025

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Maine, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 432 Maine residents have received awards totalling \$1,605,310 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	3	21	1,390	\$347,345
Higher Education	1	20	615	\$264,000
Learn and Serve America Total	4	41	2,005	\$611,345

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	2	195	\$581,826
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	5	3,429	\$290,863
Senior Companion Program	1	126	\$304,872
National Senior Service Corps Total	8	3,750	\$1,177,561

Total National Service Resources	31	41	5,966	\$3,662,931
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¹ Maine is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Perry Point, Maryland. In the past year, 10 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on a project at various state parks throughout the state.

National Service in MARYLAND

Getting things done in Maryland. Through national service people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in 72 national service projects across Maryland. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time; as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Maryland are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **1,400** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Maryland. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Governor's Commission on Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Perry Point, Maryland, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Maryland and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: Since 1997, Maryland has required public school students to serve in the community as a requirement for high school graduation. More than **350,000** students in grades six through twelve are working towards that requirement by applying academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning. Through structured service-learning projects supported by Learn and Serve America grants, including grants to all 24 school districts, these students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem-solving skills and the habits of good citizenship. In addition, more than **5,000** college and university students are involved with service-learning programs.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **7,491** seniors in the Maryland contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **338** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **139** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **7,014** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program address a wide range of community needs.

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"National service creates an opportunity structure -- community service in exchange for a college education. It encourages volunteerism and rekindles the habits of the heart. It fosters the spirit of neighbor helping neighbor that made our country great. National service is about real people offering real help to real communities."

United States Senator Barbara Mikulski speaking on the floor of the Senate, September 24, 1996

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<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	12	993	\$7,125,525
AmeriCorps*National	14	360	\$920,468
AmeriCorps*VISTA	23	65	\$812,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC ¹	1	55	\$1,209,775
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$238,050
<u>AmeriCorps Total</u>	50	1,473	\$10,306,318

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Maryland, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 1,631 Maryland residents have received awards totalling \$6,092,853 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	4	30	355,400	\$711,276
Higher Education	2	49	2,130	\$270,000
<u>Learn and Serve America Total</u>	6	79	357,530	\$981,276

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	5	338	\$1,132,708
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	9	7,014	\$489,119
Senior Companion Program	2	139	\$460,222
<u>National Senior Service Corps Total</u>	16	7,491	\$2,082,049
<u>Total National Service Resources</u>	72	79	\$13,369,643

¹ Maryland is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Perry Point, Maryland. In the past year, the members based at this campus performed 16 projects throughout Maryland. The members also serve in Connecticut, Delaware, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

National Service in MASSACHUSETTS

Getting things done in Massachusetts. Through national service, more than **96,300** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **110** national service projects across Massachusetts. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Massachusetts are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **1,300** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Massachusetts. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Massachusetts National and Community Service Commission. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Perry Point, Maryland, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Massachusetts and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **86,300** students of all ages in Massachusetts apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **8,577** seniors in Massachusetts contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **588** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **245** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **7,744** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"The best reason to love AmeriCorps is that AmeriCorps works. AmeriCorps members do concrete things that change people's lives. They plant trees and build houses and help find adoptive homes for needy kids. They strengthen the communities of our Commonwealth -- and they ensure a brighter future for us all."

Former Governor William Weld, at the 1996 Opening Day and Swearing in AmeriCorps Ceremony in Boston

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	21	859	\$6,083,317
AmeriCorps*National	14	383	\$786,401
AmeriCorps*VISTA	41	120	\$1,500,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$264,231
AmeriCorps Total	76	1,362	\$8,633,949

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Massachusetts, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 1,968 Massachusetts residents have received awards totalling \$7,812,601 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	26	85,145	\$539,329
Higher Education	6	15	1,244	\$542,000
Learn and Serve America Total	8	41	86,389	\$1,081,329

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	7	588	\$1,859,333
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	15	7,744	\$850,064
Senior Companion Program	4	245	\$781,998
National Senior Service Corps Total	26	8,577	\$3,491,395

Total National Service Resources	110	41	96,328	\$13,206,673
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¹ Massachusetts is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Perry Point, Maryland. In the past year, 20 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Sturbridge and Abingdon.

National Service in MICHIGAN

Getting things done in Michigan. Through national service, more than **54,600** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **108** national service projects across Michigan. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Michigan are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **900** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Michigan. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Michigan Community Service Commission. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Michigan and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **40,800** students of all ages in Michigan apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **12,816** seniors in Michigan contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **1,348** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **596** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **10,872** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"AmeriCorps captures the promise found in all citizens, young and old, who see problems in their communities and work together to solve them. You have come together, as have others in communities across the country, in the true spirit of service. Today, we celebrate the beginning of AmeriCorps and reaffirm traditions that we hold so dearly in Michigan -- community, volunteerism, and service to others."

Remarks by Governor John Engler to Michigan's AmeriCorps members, September 12, 1994

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<u>AmeriCorps</u>	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
AmeriCorps*State	22	750	\$4,328,231
AmeriCorps*National	6	70	\$140,151
AmeriCorps*VISTA	30	104	\$1,300,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$354,052
AmeriCorps Total	58	924	\$6,122,434

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Michigan, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 1,196 Michigan residents have received awards totalling \$4,225,313 in education aid.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	5	39	40,634	\$1,035,335
Higher Education	1	0	250	\$34,386
Learn and Serve America Total	6	39	40,884	\$1,069,721

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	18	1,348	\$2,628,100
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	17	10,872	\$1,031,945
Senior Companion Program	9	596	\$793,909
National Senior Service Corps Total	44	12,816	\$4,453,954

Total National Service Resources	108	39	54,624	\$11,646,109
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¹ Michigan is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 24 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Houghton and Lansing.

National Service in MINNESOTA

Getting things done in Minnesota. Through national service, more than **46,800** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **87** national service projects across Minnesota. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Minnesota are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **800** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Minnesota. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Minnesota Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Minnesota and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **27,800** students of all ages in Minnesota apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **18,140** seniors in Minnesota contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **769** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **370** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **17,001** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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*"I saw AmeriCorps*VISTAs in action this summer in Minneapolis. They are a perfect example of how best to harness the energy of young people to improve our neighborhoods and communities"*

US Senator Paul Wellstone

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	14	705	\$3,985,148
AmeriCorps*National	3	33	\$255,391
AmeriCorps*VISTA	29	62	\$775,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$227,436
AmeriCorps Total	46	800	\$5,242,975

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Minnesota, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 1,376 Minnesota residents have received awards totalling \$5,213,346 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	12	26	27,060	\$991,812
Higher Education	2	18	837	\$249,900
Learn and Serve America Total	14	44	27,897	\$1,241,712

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	5	769	\$1,544,676
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	21	17,001	\$819,889
Senior Companion Program	1	370	\$420,904
National Senior Service Corps Total	27	18,140	\$2,785,469

Total National Service Resources	87	44	46,837	\$9,270,156
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¹ Minnesota is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 11 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Detroit Lakes.

Getting things done in Missouri. Through national service, more than **29,500** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **82** national service projects across Missouri. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Missouri are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **800** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Missouri. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Missouri Community Service Commission. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Missouri and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **16,000** students of all ages in Missouri apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **12,698** seniors in Missouri contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **527** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **245** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **11,926** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"What's beyond debate is that the AmeriCorps program has changed lives for the better: the children who became better students by being tutored, the neighborhoods that improved when a home was repaired or painted, the young adults who felt the gratification of helping others while earning a way into college... AmeriCorps fills a need, in communities and in young people."

Editorial in Springfield
News-Leader, December 2,
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<u>AmeriCorps</u>	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
AmeriCorps*State	16	655	\$3,329,858
AmeriCorps*National	6	103	\$392,155
AmeriCorps*VISTA	24	81	\$1,012,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC ¹	0	0	\$0
AmeriCorps*Indian Tribes	0	0	\$0
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$245,414
AmeriCorps Total	46	839	\$4,979,927

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Missouri, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 947 Missouri residents have received awards totalling \$3,301,782 in education aid.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	1	35	16,000	\$370,476
Higher Education	0	0	0	\$0 ²
Learn and Serve America Total	1	35	16,000	\$370,476

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	8	527	\$1,935,229
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	23	11,926	\$829,530
Senior Companion Program	4	245	\$565,369
National Senior Service Corps Total	35	12,698	\$3,330,128

Total National Service Resources	82	35	29,537	\$8,680,531
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¹ Missouri is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 13 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Saint Louis.

² No colleges or universities currently receive Learn and Serve America Higher Education funding in this state.

National Service in MISSISSIPPI

Getting things done in Mississippi. Through national service, more than **7,500** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **48** national service projects across Mississippi. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Mississippi are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **500** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Mississippi. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Mississippi Commission for National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Charleston, South Carolina, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Mississippi and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **2,400** students of all ages in Mississippi apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **4,537** seniors in Mississippi contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **334** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **145** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **4,058** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"As you know from your firsthand volunteerism, service-learning offers the opportunity for today's young people and tomorrow's leaders to learn, while addressing local needs. Your hands-on experiences reinforce what you are learning in the classroom, promoting civic responsibility and showing that citizens working together are a powerful force."

**Governor Kirk Fordice, to
Learn and Serve America
students at the regional
service-learning conference in
Biloxi**

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	8	224	\$2,390,307
AmeriCorps*National	5	245	\$1,044,214
AmeriCorps*VISTA	10	47	\$587,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$177,636
AmeriCorps Total	23	516	\$4,199,657

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Mississippi, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 667 Mississippi residents have received awards totalling \$2,369,900 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	29	2,200	\$380,091
Higher Education	3	0	266	\$47,045
Learn and Serve America Total	5	29	2,466	\$427,136

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	5	334	\$1,332,865
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	12	4,058	\$424,427
Senior Companion Program	3	145	\$560,255
National Senior Service Corps Total	20	4,537	\$2,317,547

Total National Service Resources	48	29	7,519	\$6,944,340
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¹ Mississippi is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina. In the past year, 32 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Tupelo, Walnut, and Wiggins.

National Service in MONTANA

Getting things done in Montana. Through national service, more than **12,600** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **37** national service projects across Montana. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Montana are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **300** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Montana. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Montana Community Services Advisory Council. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Montana and nearby states.

"One of the most important things we can teach our young people is the ethic of community service. Service is a habit of the heart -- search your heart for ways you can serve."

**George Dennison, President,
University of Montana, Chair
of Montana Community
Services Advisory Council**



Learn and Serve America: More than **7,100** students of all ages in Montana apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem-solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **5,130** seniors in Montana contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **204** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **176** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **4,750** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	5	256	\$1,501,037
AmeriCorps*VISTA	8	49	\$612,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
AmeriCorps*Indian Tribes	2	38	\$338,849
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$130,526
AmeriCorps Total	15	343	\$2,582,912

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Montana, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 487 Montana residents have received awards totalling \$1,642,446 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	16	7,164	\$172,463
Higher Education	2	10	30	\$170,000
Learn and Serve America Total	4	26	7,194	\$342,463

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	4	204	\$565,226
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	12	4,750	\$343,182
Senior Companion Program	2	176	\$382,401
National Senior Service Corps Total	18	5,130	\$1,290,809

Total National Service Resources	37	26	12,667	\$4,216,184
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¹ Montana is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 11 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Libby.

National Service in NEBRASKA

Getting things done in Nebraska. Through national service, more than **18,700** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **40** national service projects across Nebraska. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Nebraska are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **100** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Nebraska. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Nebraska Commission for National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Nebraska and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **12,300** students of all ages in Nebraska apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **6,191** seniors in Nebraska contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **278** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **142** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **5,771** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"Our Senior Companions give the greatest gift of all -- themselves. They give their skills, their experience, and their spirit to the communities in our area 365 days a year."
Susan Campbell, project director for Senior Companions serving with the Lincoln Area Agency on Aging

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	7	97	\$977,772
AmeriCorps*National	1	15	\$88,125
AmeriCorps*VISTA	9	22	\$275,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$150,345
AmeriCorps Total	17	134	\$1,491,242

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Nebraska, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 201 Nebraska residents have received awards totalling \$830,309 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	3	20	12,126	\$419,317
Higher Education	1	20	250	\$300,000
Learn and Serve America Total	4	40	12,376	\$719,317

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	5	278	\$1,105,429
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	12	5,771	\$411,955
Senior Companion Program	2	142	\$349,072
National Senior Service Corps Total	19	6,191	\$1,866,456

Total National Service Resources	40	40	18,701	\$4,077,015
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¹ Nebraska is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 32 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Niobrara and Shubert.

Getting things done in Nevada. Through national service, more than **3,100** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **20** national service projects across Nevada. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Nevada are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages **87** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Nevada. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Nevada Commission for National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in San Diego, California, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Nevada and nearby states.

"Community work like AmeriCorps is a way for members to meet new challenges, blend value systems, and gain a sense of personal satisfaction and meaning. We've got to work to communicate the benefits of AmeriCorps to the public so they don't see it as just another government program."

**Brian Bowden, President,
United Way Reno**



Learn and Serve America: More than **400** students of all ages in Nevada apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **2,671** seniors in Nevada contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **215** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **101** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **2,355** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	2	56	\$394,970
AmeriCorps*National	1	6	\$0 ¹
AmeriCorps*VISTA	8	25	\$312,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ²	N/A ²	N/A ²
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$149,090
AmeriCorps Total	11	87	\$856,560

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Nevada, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 194 Nevada residents have received awards totalling \$606,559 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	1	22	400	\$83,119
Higher Education	1	0	12	\$130,000
Learn and Serve America Total	2	22	412	\$213,119

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	2	215	\$681,954
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	3	2,355	\$292,978
Senior Companion Program	2	101	\$319,995
National Senior Service Corps Total	7	2,671	\$1,294,927

Total National Service Resources	20	22	3,170	\$2,364,606
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¹ Nevada is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in San Diego, California. In the past year, 24 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Las Vegas and Reno.

² Nevada's AmeriCorps*National participants work with a subgrantee based in another state. Funding for that program is accrued to the primary grantee's home state.

National Service in New Hampshire

Getting things done in New Hampshire. Through national service, more than **7,100** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **32** national service projects across New Hampshire. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of New Hampshire are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **500** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in New Hampshire. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the New Hampshire Commission on National and Community Service Executive Board. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Perry Point, Maryland, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in New Hampshire and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **2,000** students of all ages in New Hampshire apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **4,642** seniors in New Hampshire contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **186** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **85** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **4,371** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"After only three years of operation, AmeriCorps and Learn and Serve America have demonstrably improved the quality of life for the citizens of New Hampshire. The National Senior Service Corps continues to exemplify the strong spirit of volunteerism that is so much a part of New Hampshire."

Governor Jeanne Shaheen, in a letter to Corporation for National Service CEO Harris Wofford

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<u>AmeriCorps</u>	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
AmeriCorps*State	8	249	\$1,663,156
AmeriCorps*National	2	249	\$35,900
AmeriCorps*VISTA	9	23	\$287,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$137,787
AmeriCorps Total	19	521	\$2,124,343

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for New Hampshire, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 341 New Hampshire residents have received awards totalling \$1,354,946 in education aid.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	45	2,010	\$287,487
Higher Education	1	0	16	\$308,000
Learn and Serve America Total	3	45	2,026	\$595,487

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	2	186	\$462,650
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	7	4,371	\$301,265
Senior Companion Program	1	85	\$231,965
National Senior Service Corps Total	10	4,642	\$995,880

Total National Service Resources	32	45	7,189	\$3,715,710
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¹ New Hampshire is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Perry Point, Maryland. In the past year, 9 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Berlin.

National Service in NEW JERSEY

Getting things done in New Jersey. Through national service, more than **18,600** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **66** national service projects across New Jersey. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of New Jersey are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **1,000** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in New Jersey. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the New Jersey Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Perry Point, Maryland, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in New Jersey and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **5,900** students of all ages in New Jersey apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **11,653** seniors in New Jersey contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **547** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **264** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **10,842** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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Carl Williams
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"Volunteering is an important aspect of community life. RSVP has excelled at involving the elderly community in the daily lives of other people. Being compassionate and caring makes these volunteers special, and that is what brings communities together."

Senator Robert G. Torricelli

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<u>AmeriCorps</u>	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
AmeriCorps*State	15	565	\$4,386,215
AmeriCorps*National	9	418	\$204,561
AmeriCorps*VISTA	13	45	\$562,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$312,850
AmeriCorps Total	37	1,028	\$5,466,126

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for New Jersey, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 1,127 New Jersey residents have received awards totalling \$4,208,116 in education aid.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	1	12	4,500	\$485,998
Higher Education	2	16	1,475	\$405,000
Learn and Serve America Total	3	28	5,975	\$890,998

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	4	547	\$1,777,563
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	19	10,842	\$1,080,716
Senior Companion Program	3	264	\$526,635
National Senior Service Corps Total	26	11,653	\$3,384,914

Total National Service Resources	66	28	18,656	\$9,742,038
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¹ New Jersey is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Perry Point, Maryland. In the past year, 53 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Newark, Trenton, and West Trenton.

National Service in New Mexico

Getting things done in New Mexico. Through national service, more than **28,100** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **80** national service projects across New Mexico. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of New Mexico are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **200** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in New Mexico. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the New Mexico Commission for National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in New Mexico and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **18,000** students of all ages in New Mexico apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **9,880** seniors in New Mexico contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **729** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **371** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **8,780** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"I really liked the motto that the AmeriCorps members had on their shirts, saying, 'Getting Things Done.' This is what service is all about...and when I saw how much work was done at the nature area, I knew that they meant it."

Doug Boykin, district forester with the New Mexico State Forestry Division on the service provided by AmeriCorps members in the Student Conservation Association

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	5	135	\$1,013,528
AmeriCorps*National	2	40	\$201,998
AmeriCorps*VISTA	9	51	\$637,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$151,918
AmeriCorps Total	16	226	\$2,004,944

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for New Mexico, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 541 New Mexico residents have received awards totalling \$1,775,260 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	7	28	18,063	\$848,769
Higher Education	1	0	20	\$130,000
Learn and Serve America Total	8	28	18,083	\$978,769

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	18	729	\$980,969
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	18	8,780	\$407,174
Senior Companion Program	20	371	\$255,517
National Senior Service Corps Total	56	9,880	\$1,643,660

Total National Service Resources	80	28	28,189	\$4,627,373
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¹ New Mexico is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 24 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Carlsbad and Santa Fe.

National Service in New York

Getting things done in New York. Through national service, more than **74,800** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **194** national service projects across New York. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of New York are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **7,900** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in New York. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the New York Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Perry Point, Maryland, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in New York and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **30,800** students of all ages in New York apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **35,990** seniors in New York contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **1,837** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **1,191** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **32,962** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"Our country was built by the volunteer spirit and it is key that volunteerism continue to flourish and grow. VISTA provides a great opportunity for people to serve our country and help people one-on-one. I applaud the dedication and expertise of the VISTA volunteers at the Peekskill Area Health Center."
New York State
Assemblywoman Sandra Galef

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	38	1,781	\$14,107,477
AmeriCorps*National	27	6,002	\$4,062,034
AmeriCorps*VISTA	57	211	\$2,637,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$574,383
AmeriCorps Total	122	7,994	\$21,381,394

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for New York, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 3,768 New York residents have received awards totalling \$14,168,413 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	4	88	27,555	\$2,044,813
Higher Education	6	0	3,304	\$640,088
Learn and Serve America Total	10	88	30,859	\$2,684,901

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	17	1,837	\$5,557,224
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	38	32,962	\$2,535,153
Senior Companion Program	7	1,191	\$1,480,181
National Senior Service Corps Total	62	35,990	\$9,572,558

Total National Service Resources	194	88	74,843	\$33,638,853
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¹ New York is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Perry Point, Maryland. In the past year, 4 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Cold Spring Harbor.

National Service in NORTH CAROLINA

Getting things done in North Carolina. Through national service, more than **38,200** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **81** national service projects across North Carolina. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of North Carolina are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **500** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in North Carolina. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the North Carolina Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Charleston, South Carolina, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in North Carolina and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **28,300** students of all ages in North Carolina apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **9,290** seniors in North Carolina contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **743** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **304** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **8,243** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"AmeriCorps programs are having a tremendous impact on communities across our state because they provide service at the local level, where real change can happen. They have brought volunteers who would not otherwise be involved to work in AmeriCorps programs. Citizens and elected officials across the political spectrum have shown support for national service as an ideal way to get things done in the state."

Letter from Governor James Hunt to the Corporation for National Service

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	10	320	\$2,428,494
AmeriCorps*National	11	160	\$431,318
AmeriCorps*VISTA	21	95	\$1,187,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$295,792
AmeriCorps Total	42	575	\$4,343,104

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for North Carolina, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 1,103 North Carolina residents have received awards totalling \$3,769,232 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	46	28,200	\$607,228
Higher Education	5	6	170	\$585,756
Learn and Serve America Total	7	52	28,370	\$1,192,984

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	11	743	\$2,618,668
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	17	8,243	\$636,448
Senior Companion Program	4	304	\$755,123
National Senior Service Corps Total	32	9,290	\$4,010,239

Total National Service Resources	81	52	38,235	\$9,546,327
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¹ North Carolina is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina. In the past year, 31 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Durham and Hillsborough.

National Service in NORTH DAKOTA

Getting things done in North Dakota. Through national service, more than **6,700** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **13** national service projects across North Dakota. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, North Dakota's citizens are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages **16** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service. AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in , conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in North Dakota and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **4,000** North Dakota students of all ages apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem-solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **2,763** North Dakota seniors contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **85** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **77** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **2,601** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"The grandmas work one on one with the children." "They are just an extra set of hands in the classrooms. They help children who need a little something extra--especially when they are having a tough day or they are tired. They have a Grandma to sit with and hold them." "It just saves our lives, . . ." "It's so nice for all the classroom teachers if you've got somebody who's had a hard day, the teacher can deal with the other kids and grandma can take care of the one who needs the extra attention."

Carolyn Kenner, Director of Memorial Day Care in Devils Lake, speaking about the Foster Grandparents who volunteer at the facility.

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<u>AmeriCorps</u>	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
AmeriCorps*State	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
AmeriCorps*VISTA	2	16	\$200,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ²	N/A ²	N/A ²
AmeriCorps Total	2	16	\$200,000

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for North Dakota, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 89 North Dakota residents have received awards totalling \$383,494 in education aid.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	4	0	4,000	\$213,940
Higher Education	0	0	0	\$0 ³
Learn and Serve America Total	4	0	4,000	\$213,940

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	2	85	\$335,908
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	4	2,601	\$159,867
Senior Companion Program	1	77	\$241,036
National Senior Service Corps Total	7	2,763	\$736,811

Total National Service Resources	13	0	6,779	\$1,150,751
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¹ In 1994, when states were establishing service commissions, North Dakota was one of two states that opted not to establish one. As a consequence, North Dakota receives no AmeriCorps*State funding.

² North Dakota is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 16 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Grand Forks and Riverdale.

³ No colleges and universities in North Dakota currently receive Learn and Serve America higher education funding.

Getting things done in Ohio. Through national service, more than **66,400** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **121** national service projects across Ohio. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Ohio are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **1,400** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Ohio. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Governor's Community Service Council. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Washington, DC, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Ohio and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **45,600** students of all ages in Ohio apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **19,319** seniors in Ohio contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **893** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **349** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **18,077** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"Serving one's country, state, or community is a very precious act. The giving of one's time, energy, and talent to benefit others should not be underestimated or undervalued. Your commitment to participate in national service is no different, especially as your service will benefit thousands of Ohioans. Through your experience, not only will you help our communities to strengthen and grow--you will do the same. As you fight neighborhood crime, teach a child to read, or assist a senior citizen in need--indeed, together, we can make a difference."

Governor George Voinovich at opening ceremonies for AmeriCorps programs

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	23	789	\$4,063,714
AmeriCorps*National	18	460	\$2,761,523
AmeriCorps*VISTA	29	186	\$2,325,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$394,536
AmeriCorps Total	70	1,435	\$9,544,773

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Ohio, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 1,844 Ohio residents have received awards totalling \$6,648,744 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	6	172	44,000	\$1,483,275
Higher Education	5	0	1,671	\$350,000
Learn and Serve America Total	11	172	45,671	\$1,833,275

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	8	893	\$2,690,856
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	28	18,077	\$2,053,687
Senior Companion Program	4	349	\$941,730
National Senior Service Corps Total	40	19,319	\$5,686,273

Total National Service Resources	121	172	66,425	\$17,064,321
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¹ Ohio is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Washington, DC. In the past year, 24 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on Ohio projects in Cincinnati and Silverton.

National Service in OKLAHOMA

Getting things done in Oklahoma. Through national service, more than **79,600** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **57** national service projects across Oklahoma. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Oklahoma are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **200** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Oklahoma. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Oklahoma Community Service Commission. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Oklahoma and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **68,300** students of all ages in Oklahoma apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **11,077** seniors in Oklahoma contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **435** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **243** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **10,399** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"We are really proud of the way our Oklahoma Learn and Serve program has taken off over the last few years. More and more school districts are seeing the value of incorporating service-learning into core subjects like math, science, social studies, and English. By giving our boys and girls a sense of ownership in their communities, we are building a strong foundation for the future of each town or city in this great state, restoring the ethic of civic responsibility."

Oklahoma School Superintendent Sandy Garrett

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	11	178	\$1,527,359
AmeriCorps*National	2	11	\$0 ¹
AmeriCorps*VISTA	14	42	\$525,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ²	N/A ²	N/A ²
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$192,635
AmeriCorps Total	27	231	\$2,244,994

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Oklahoma, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 331 Oklahoma residents have received awards totalling \$1,394,231 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	3	82	67,617	\$510,158
Higher Education	3	0	712	\$305,000
Learn and Serve America Total	6	82	68,329	\$815,158

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	6	435	\$1,241,925
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	15	10,399	\$540,591
Senior Companion Program	3	243	\$610,977
National Senior Service Corps Total	24	11,077	\$2,393,493

Total National Service Resources	57	82	79,637	\$5,453,645
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¹ Oklahoma is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 12 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Oklahoma City.

² Oklahoma's AmeriCorps*National participants work with a subgrantee based in another state. Funding for that program is accrued to the primary grantee's home state.

Getting things done in Oregon. Through national service, more than **28,900** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **68** national service projects across Oregon. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Oregon are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **600** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Oregon. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Oregon Commission for National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in San Diego, California, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Oregon and nearby states.

"Our national security depends . . . on the assurance of opportunity to compete fairly for American ideals and dreams. That must include access to education, health care, freedom from fear of random violence. AmeriCorps helps secure those ideals and bridge the gaps to those dreams for the economically and socially disadvantaged."
Editorial in the Oregonian on January 14, 1998



Learn and Serve America: More than **18,900** students of all ages in Oregon apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **9,240** seniors in Oregon contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **344** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **253** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **8,643** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	8	240	\$1,537,486
AmeriCorps*National	11	335	\$2,028,673
AmeriCorps*VISTA	16	97	\$1,212,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$190,142
AmeriCorps Total	35	672	\$4,968,801

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Oregon, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 1,089 Oregon residents have received awards totalling \$4,154,759 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	36	17,400	\$314,453
Higher Education	5	0	1,597	\$362,830
Learn and Serve America Total	7	36	18,997	\$677,283

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	5	344	\$974,854
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	15	8,643	\$692,124
Senior Companion Program	6	253	\$549,747
National Senior Service Corps Total	26	9,240	\$2,216,725

Total National Service Resources	68	36	28,909	\$7,862,809
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¹ Oregon is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in San Diego, California. In the past year, 13 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Portland.

National Service in PENNSYLVANIA

Getting things done in Pennsylvania. Through national service, more than **79,900** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **134** national service projects across Pennsylvania. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Pennsylvania are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **1,600** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Pennsylvania. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the PennSERVE: The Governor's Office of Citizen Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Washington, DC, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Pennsylvania and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **56,500** students of all ages in Pennsylvania apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **21,716** seniors in Pennsylvania contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **996** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **475** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **20,245** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"I've seen what a difference the hard work and dedication of AmeriCorps members working in some of our most challenging neighborhoods and in our schools has made. Philadelphia needs the energy and enthusiasm national service volunteers bring to our city. We can not do all we do in Philadelphia without the help of AmeriCorps. On behalf of 1.6 million Philadelphians, I would like to thank AmeriCorps for another great year of service here in the city."

Philadelphia Mayor Ed Rendell, October 24, 1997

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	17	655	\$4,864,253
AmeriCorps*National	27	940	\$4,824,097
AmeriCorps*VISTA	36	79	\$987,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
Governor's Innovative AmeriCorps Programs	1	11	\$156,000 ²
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$417,192
AmeriCorps Total	81	1,685	\$11,249,042

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Pennsylvania, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 2,517 Pennsylvania residents have received awards totalling \$9,528,734 in education aid.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	5	145	55,160	\$1,384,617
Higher Education	3	20	1,360	\$675,000
Learn and Serve America Total	8	165	56,520	\$2,059,617

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	11	996	\$3,332,686
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	30	20,245	\$1,703,620
Senior Companion Program	4	475	\$1,192,357
National Senior Service Corps Total	45	21,716	\$6,228,663

National Service Resources Total	134	165	79,921	\$19,537,322
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¹ Pennsylvania is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Washington, DC. In the past year, 131 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Harrisburg, Huntingdon, Mercersburg, Philadelphia, and York.

² Governor's Innovative Programs provide an opportunity for governors to use AmeriCorps or other community service programs in creative ways to meet pressing needs within the state.

National Service in PUERTO RICO

Getting things done in Puerto Rico. Through national service, more than **3,200** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **52** national service projects across Puerto Rico. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Puerto Rico are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **400** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Puerto Rico. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Puerto Rico State Commission on Community and Social Action. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Charleston, South Carolina, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Puerto Rico and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **60** students of all ages in Puerto Rico apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem-solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **2,770** seniors in Puerto Rico contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **423** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **294** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **2,053** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"Whenever they see us they want to kiss us. They say 'bless you, grandmother, bless you.'"

Lydia Pastrana, a Foster Grandparent with Project Hope for the Aged, Inc. in juvenile correctional centers in Bayamon

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
AmeriCorps			
AmeriCorps*State	7	185	\$1,809,042
AmeriCorps*VISTA	30	238	\$2,975,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
Governor's Innovative AmeriCorps Programs	1	20	\$234,349 ²
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$204,996
AmeriCorps Total	38	443	\$5,223,387

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Puerto Rico, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 419 Puerto Rico residents have received awards totalling \$1,774,915 in education aid.

<u>Learn and Serve America</u>	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	0	0	0	\$0 ³
Higher Education	1	0	60	\$50,000
Learn and Serve America Total	1	0	60	\$50,000

<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Foster Grandparent Program	5	423	\$1,311,410
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	3	2,053	\$194,829
Senior Companion Program	5	294	\$991,154
National Senior Service Corps Total	13	2,770	\$2,497,393
National Service Resources Total	52	0	3,273
			\$7,770,780

¹ Puerto Rico is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina.

² Governor's Innovative Programs provide an opportunity for governors to use AmeriCorps or other community service programs in creative ways to meet pressing needs within the state.

³ The Puerto Rico state education agency does not currently receive K-12 Funding.

National Service in RHODE ISLAND

Getting things done in Rhode Island. Through national service, more than **11,300** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **39** national service projects across Rhode Island. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Rhode Island are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **300** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Rhode Island. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Rhode Island Commission for National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Perry Point, Maryland, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Rhode Island and nearby states.

"Growing out of federal legislation initiated in the Bush Administration, today's national service programs are a truly non-partisan effort that has had a demonstrable effect on the quality of life in Rhode Island. We are proud of our AmeriCorps programs and their committed members of all ages who are working every day in community service programs to assist their fellow citizens."

Governor Lincoln Almond



Learn and Serve America: More than **6,600** students of all ages in Rhode Island apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **4,307** seniors in Rhode Island contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **137** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **79** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **4,091** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	8	301	\$2,762,716
AmeriCorps*National	3	38	\$226,522
AmeriCorps*VISTA	11	29	\$362,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$133,369
AmeriCorps Total	22	368	\$3,485,107

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Rhode Island, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 442 Rhode Island residents have received awards totalling \$1,820,111 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	26	4,575	\$254,878
Higher Education	5	11	2,071	\$641,770
Learn and Serve America Total	7	37	6,646	\$896,648

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	2	137	\$513,629
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	7	4,091	\$286,004
Senior Companion Program	1	79	\$243,315
National Senior Service Corps Total	10	4,307	\$1,042,948

Total National Service Resources	39	37	11,321	\$5,424,703
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¹ Rhode Island is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Perry Point, Maryland. In the past year, 11 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on a project in Providence.

National Service in SOUTH CAROLINA

Getting things done in South Carolina. Through national service, more than **73,700** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **47** national service projects across South Carolina. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of South Carolina are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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Learn and Serve America: More than **67,600** students of all ages in South Carolina apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **5,554** seniors in South Carolina contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **297** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **154** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **5,103** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"In a few years, AmeriCorps has grown from an idea to a national program, operating in countless communities throughout America. I applaud your leadership in this movement of volunteerism and community service."

Governor David M. Beasley in a letter to Harris Wofford, CEO of the Corporation for National Service

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	2	88	\$617,941
AmeriCorps*National	3	103	\$931,577
AmeriCorps*VISTA	16	60	\$750,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC ¹	1	283	\$444,741
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$202,839
AmeriCorps Total	22	534	\$2,947,098

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for South Carolina, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 628 South Carolina residents have received awards totalling \$2,616,884 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	7	29	67,631	\$898,986
Higher Education	1	0	8	\$0 ²
Learn and Serve America Total	8	29	67,639	\$898,986

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	5	297	\$1,128,834
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	9	5,103	\$374,970
Senior Companion Program	3	154	\$541,952
National Senior Service Corps Total	17	5,554	\$2,045,756
Total National Service Resources	47	29	73,727
			\$5,891,840

¹ South Carolina is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina. In the past year, the members based at this campus performed 48 service projects in South Carolina. The members also serve in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

² South Carolina's Learn and Serve America Higher Education participants work with a subgrantee based in another state. Funding for that program is accrued to the grantee's home state

National Service in SOUTH DAKOTA

Getting things done in South Dakota. Through national service, more than **8,900** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **19** national service projects across South Dakota. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of South Dakota are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

"It would be impossible to raise enough taxes to do what each and every one of you do every single day. (\$445,000 worth of sharing in the past year in Huron, based on minimum wage.). It's impossible to put a value on someone who sits, day after day, at the bedside of a seriously ill friend. And how do you put a value on people who deliver meals in the Meals on Wheels program? RSVP members across South Dakota are continuing in their retirement years doing what they've done their entire lives -- sharing."

SD Governor Bill Janklow addressing 500 Huron RSVP volunteers and guests at a recent recognition banquet



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages **32** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in South Dakota. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in South Dakota and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **4,300** South Dakota students of all ages apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem-solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **4,600** South Dakota seniors contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **120** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **95** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **4,385** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	1	10	\$119,902 ¹
AmeriCorps*VISTA	2	22	\$275,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ²	N/A ²	N/A ²
AmeriCorps Total	3	32	\$394,902

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for South Dakota, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 72 South Dakota residents have received awards totalling \$299,324 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	0	2,300	\$0 ³
Higher Education	1	0	2,000	\$130,000
Learn and Serve America Total	3	0	4,300	\$130,000

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	2	120	\$470,668
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	10	4,385	\$280,499
Senior Companion Program	1	95	\$274,474
National Senior Service Corps Total	13	4,600	\$1,025,641

Total National Service Resources	19	0	8,932	\$1,550,543
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¹ In 1994, when states were establishing service commissions, South Dakota was one of two states that opted not to establish one. As a consequence, South Dakota AmeriCorps program sponsors receive formula funding directly from the Corporation for National Service.

² South Dakota is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 11 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Spearfish Canyon.

³ Both of South Dakota's Learn and Serve America K-12 programs are on no-cost extensions, which means they still have participants but no longer receive funding from the Corporation for National Service.

National Service in TENNESSEE

Getting things done in Tennessee. Through national service, more than **11,700** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **66** national service projects across Tennessee. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Tennessee are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **400** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Tennessee. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Tennessee Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Charleston, South Carolina, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Tennessee and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **3,400** students of all ages in Tennessee apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **7,947** seniors in Tennessee contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **670** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **275** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **7,002** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"Every day, over 25,000 AmeriCorps members are hard at work in our cities and communities, helping us to fulfill our mission as mayors. More than half of the people serving are working with children and youth as teachers, tutors, or mentors. Others are meeting environmental needs and helping police reduce crime through community policing initiatives. As cities across America have learned, national service works. It's a proven problem solver and an effective strategy for meeting vital needs in education, public safety, health and human needs and the environment."
Knoxville Mayor Victor Ashe

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	14	320	\$3,026,707
AmeriCorps*National	3	21	\$44,589
AmeriCorps*VISTA	18	96	\$1,200,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$244,412
AmeriCorps Total	35	437	\$4,515,708

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Tennessee, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 593 Tennessee residents have received awards totalling \$2,322,705 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	54	2,800	\$539,665
Higher Education	2	0	600	\$287,117
Learn and Serve America Total	4	54	3,400	\$826,782

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	9	670	\$2,206,812
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	15	7,002	\$634,688
Senior Companion Program	3	275	\$654,001
National Senior Service Corps Total	27	7,947	\$3,495,501

Total National Service Resources	66	54	11,784	\$8,837,991
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¹ Tennessee is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina. In the past year, 19 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Nashville and Townsend.

National Service in TEXAS

Getting things done in Texas. Through national service, more than **102,600** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **173** national service projects across Texas. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Texas are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **2,700** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Texas. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Texas Commission for National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Texas and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **64,400** students of all ages in Texas apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **35,402** seniors in Texas contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **1,024** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **708** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **33,670** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"In our county they've [AmeriCorps members] painted over gang graffiti, revitalized an abandoned county park in a colonia, installed landscaping around a new Mental Health and Mental Retardation hospital, performed drug education programs, restored and revitalized a downtown park, the list goes on and on. But most importantly, AmeriCorps members have motivated some 300 volunteers in our small community and they've instilled pride in everybody."

Brooks County Judge Joe B. Garcia speaking about the South Texas AmeriCorps Initiative

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	27	1,858	\$14,367,376
AmeriCorps*National	20	502	\$2,181,099
AmeriCorps*VISTA	66	388	\$4,850,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$598,582
AmeriCorps Total	113	2,748	\$21,997,057

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Texas, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 4,181 Texas residents have received awards totalling \$14,316,891 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	4	100	63,303	\$2,057,721
Higher Education	7	0	1,170	\$310,843
Learn and Serve America Total	11	100	64,473	\$2,368,564

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	9	1,024	\$3,755,125
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	31	33,670	\$1,569,723
Senior Companion Program	9	708	\$1,692,300
National Senior Service Corps Total	49	35,402	\$7,017,148

Total National Service Resources	173	100	102,623	\$31,382,769
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¹ Texas is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 85 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Austin, Austwell, Big Bend, Lubbock, and Salt Flats.

Getting things done in Utah. Through national service, more than **18,200** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **41** national service projects across Utah. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Utah are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **200** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Utah. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Utah commission on Volunteers. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in San Diego, California, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Utah and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **11,700** students of all ages in Utah apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **6,341** seniors in Utah contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **204** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **268** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **5,869** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"Both the Governor and I are delighted with the support the Corporation For National Service has made and is making in helping Utah to be truly the Volunteer State."

Lt. Governor Olene Walker

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	6	152	\$785,004
AmeriCorps*National	2	6	\$0 ¹
AmeriCorps*VISTA	15	64	\$800,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ²	N/A ²	N/A ²
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$159,281
AmeriCorps Total	23	222	\$1,744,285

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Utah, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 281 Utah residents have received awards totalling \$987,483 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	63	11,705	\$247,158
Higher Education	0	0	0	\$0
Learn and Serve America Total	2	63	11,705	\$247,158

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	3	204	\$786,050
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	9	5,869	\$337,847
Senior Companion Program	4	268	\$769,659
National Senior Service Corps Total	16	6,341	\$1,893,556

Total National Service Resources	41	63	18,268	\$3,884,999
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¹ Utah is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in San Diego, California. In the past year, 21 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Logan and Moab.

²Utah's AmeriCorps*National participants work with a subgrantee based in another state. Funding for that program is accrued to the primary grantee's home state.

National Service in VERMONT

Getting things done in Vermont. Through national service, more than **10,900** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **33** national service projects across Vermont. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Vermont are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **200** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Vermont. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Vermont Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Perry Point, Maryland, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Vermont and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **6,300** students of all ages in Vermont apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **4,418** seniors in Vermont contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **136** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **73** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **4,209** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"Service by AmeriCorps members has resulted in a range of positive changes. Our AmeriCorps members have shown over and over that their service can serve as a catalyst to bring other community members in. I believe it is this collaboration of AmeriCorps members with public and private sector citizens of the community that makes these programs special. In addition, Vermont's Learn and Serve programs, Senior Corps programs, and VISTA programs are also making a difference."

Governor Howard Dean, in a May 21, 1997 letter to the Corporation for National Service

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	8	200	\$1,100,570
AmeriCorps*National	2	34	\$320,245
AmeriCorps*VISTA	10	41	\$512,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$125,000
AmeriCorps Total	20	275	\$2,058,315

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Vermont, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 323 Vermont residents have received awards totalling \$1,330,397 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	4	32	6,300	\$530,688
Higher Education	0	0	0	\$0 ²
Learn and Serve America Total	4	32	6,300	\$530,688

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	2	136	\$468,521
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	6	4,209	\$335,621
Senior Companion Program	1	73	\$254,319
National Senior Service Corps Total	9	4,418	\$1,058,461

Total National Service Resources	33	32	10,993	\$3,647,464
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¹ Vermont is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Perry Point, Maryland. In the past year, 12 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Burlington.

² No colleges or universities currently receive Learn and Serve America Higher Education funding in this state.

National Service in VIRGINIA

Getting things done in Virginia. Through national service, more than **41,500** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **78** national service projects across Virginia. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Virginia are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages **500** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Virginia. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Virginia Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Washington, DC, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Virginia and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **30,900** students of all ages apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants to Virginia schools and colleges and national organizations based in Virginia. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem-solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **10,027** seniors in Virginia contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **347** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **193** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **9,487** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"Because of AmeriCorps, students and faculty are becoming increasingly involved in service-learning and effective partnerships are being created between the university and our neighbors."

Dr. Grace Harris, Provost of Virginia Commonwealth University, discussing AmeriCorps members who tutored and mentored 200 fourth and fifth-graders at George Washington Carver Elementary School

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	17	655	\$4,864,253
AmeriCorps*National	27	940	\$4,824,097
AmeriCorps*VISTA	36	79	\$987,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$279,187
AmeriCorps Total	81	1,685	\$11,111,037

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Virginia, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 713 Virginia residents have received awards totalling \$2,474,013 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	5	145	55,160	\$1,384,617
Higher Education	3	20	1,360	\$675,000
Learn and Serve America Total	8	165	56,520	\$2,059,617

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	11	996	\$3,332,686
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	30	20,245	\$1,703,620
Senior Companion Program	4	475	\$1,192,357
National Senior Service Corps Total	45	21,716	\$6,228,663

Total National Service Resources	134	165	79,921	\$19,399,317
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¹ Virginia is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Washington, DC. In the past year, 28 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Westmoreland State Park and Williamsburg.

National Service in WASHINGTON

Getting things done in Washington. Through national service, more than **53,800** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **86** national service projects across Washington. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Washington are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **1,400** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Washington. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Washington Commission on National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in San Diego, California, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Washington and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **35,100** students of all ages in Washington apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **17,357** seniors in Washington contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **344** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **197** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **16,816** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"My vision for education is a vision of that larger system--a system in which everybody is learning, everywhere, and every day. I want to foster a culture that supports learning as a way of life. And I want to engage every sector of our society in this work. Schools can't do it alone."

Governor Gary Locke

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
AmeriCorps			
AmeriCorps*State	14	865	\$7,487,926
AmeriCorps*National	14	407	\$1,717,877
AmeriCorps*VISTA	24	128	\$1,600,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
AmeriCorps*Indian Tribes	1	10	\$166,070
Governor's Innovative AmeriCorps Programs	1	24	\$161,587 ²
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$249,883
AmeriCorps Total	54	1,434	\$11,383,343

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Washington, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 2,452 Washington residents have received awards totalling \$9,641,902 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Learn and Serve America				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	7	45	18,188	\$1,015,484
Higher Education	2	67	16,918	\$226,660
Learn and Serve America Total	9	112	35,106	\$1,242,144

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
National Senior Service Corps			
Foster Grandparent Program	3	344	\$1,115,499
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	17	16,816	\$920,016
Senior Companion Program	3	197	\$527,327
National Senior Service Corps Total	23	17,357	\$2,562,842

National Service Resources Total	86	112	53,897	\$15,188,329
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¹ Washington is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in San Diego, California. In the past year, 38 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Fircrest and Seattle.

² Governor's Innovative Programs provide an opportunity for governors to use AmeriCorps or other community service programs in creative ways to meet pressing needs within the state.

National Service in WEST VIRGINIA

Getting things done in West Virginia. Through national service, more than **56,400** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **48** national service projects across West Virginia. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of West Virginia are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **900** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in West Virginia. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the West Virginia Commission for National and Community Service. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Washington, DC, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in West Virginia and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **52,200** students of all ages in West Virginia apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **3,203** seniors in West Virginia contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **386** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **119** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **2,698** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"I congratulate the West Virginia AmeriCorps programs for their outstanding service and accomplishments.

AmeriCorps programs strive to extend and promote education for children of all socio-economic backgrounds and to fulfill basic needs, such as food, shelter and health care, for West Virginians... With your help, our state has been able to improve the quality of life for West Virginians and to increase the opportunities for them in the future."

U.S. Senator John D. Rockefeller IV congratulating AmeriCorps members in July 13, 1997, statement in the Congressional Record

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	8	906	\$1,051,272
AmeriCorps*National	2	20	\$0 ¹
AmeriCorps*VISTA	19	34	\$425,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ²	N/A ²	N/A ²
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$154,799
AmeriCorps Total	29	960	\$1,631,071

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for West Virginia, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 667 West Virginia residents have received awards totalling \$1,348,149 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	3	80	52,268	\$391,213
Higher Education	1	0	15	\$171,472
Learn and Serve America Total	4	80	52,283	\$562,685

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	5	386	\$1,199,232
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	8	2,698	\$325,145
Senior Companion Program	2	119	\$415,149
National Senior Service Corps Total	15	3,203	\$1,939,526

Total National Service Resources	48	80	56,446	\$4,133,282
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¹ West Virginia is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Washington, DC. In the past year, 10 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Parkersburg.

² West Virginia's AmeriCorps*National participants work with a subgrantee based in another state. Funding for that program is accrued to the primary grantee's home state.

Getting things done in Wisconsin. Through national service, more than **45,100** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **58** national service projects across Wisconsin. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Wisconsin are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.

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AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **200** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Wisconsin. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Wisconsin National and Community Service Board. The other assignments are made by national nonprofits. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Wisconsin and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **32,800** students of all ages in Wisconsin apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **11,978** seniors in Wisconsin contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **481** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **183** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **11,314** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

"AmeriCorps provides valuable literacy development for those students needing extra help. I am sure that the time AmeriCorps puts in with our needy students will save our district thousands of dollars in remedial education costs. We are so pleased at the quality of our AmeriCorps volunteers that we are hoping to expand our program to the upper elementary grades."
Charles Eaton, Evergreen Elementary School Principal, speaking about Y.E.S. AmeriCorps members

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	5	145	\$1,487,903
AmeriCorps*National	9	108	\$317,691
AmeriCorps*VISTA	12	39	\$487,500
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$240,312
AmeriCorps Total	26	292	\$2,533,406

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Wisconsin, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 662 Wisconsin residents have received awards totalling \$2,632,176 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	7	156	32,617	\$1,051,035
Higher Education	2	48	252	\$300,000
Learn and Serve America Total	9	204	32,869	\$1,351,035

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	4	481	\$1,353,765
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	16	11,314	\$691,150
Senior Companion Program	3	183	\$459,949
National Senior Service Corps Total	23	11,978	\$2,504,864

Total National Service Resources	58	204	45,139	\$6,389,305
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¹ Wisconsin is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado.

National Service in WYOMING

Getting things done in Wyoming. Through national service, more than **1,600** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and build stronger communities in **21** national service projects across Wyoming. Serving through local nonprofits and schools, national service members and volunteers tutor children, coordinate service-learning and after-school programs, build homes, organize neighborhood watch groups, clean streams, recruit volunteers, and do other things to improve and strengthen communities. Whether serving part- or full-time, as a part of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, or the National Senior Service Corps, citizens of Wyoming are making schools better, children healthier, streets safer, and the environment cleaner.



AmeriCorps: AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps, engages more than **100** individuals in a year of intensive, results-driven service sponsored by local and national nonprofits in Wyoming. In return, AmeriCorps members earn an education award to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To ensure local control, two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Wyoming Commission for National and Community Service. Some AmeriCorps members serve in local programs through Volunteers in Service to America (AmeriCorps*VISTA). In addition, members of the National Civilian Community Corps (AmeriCorps*NCCC), based in Denver, Colorado, conduct service projects that help children and youth, protect the environment, promote public safety, and respond to natural disasters in Wyoming and nearby states.



Learn and Serve America: More than **400** students of all ages in Wyoming apply academic skills to solving community problems through service-learning programs assisted by Learn and Serve America grants. Through structured service-learning projects, students help meet community needs, improve academic learning, and develop problem-solving skills and the habits of good citizenship.



National Senior Service Corps: A total of **1,034** seniors in Wyoming contribute their time and talents to helping solve critical local problems through three programs: **145** Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one with young people who have special needs; **90** Senior Companions help other seniors live independently in their homes; and **799** volunteers with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) address a wide range of community needs.

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"AmeriCorps and the National Senior Service Corps programs are really great. There can be no better way to offer meaningful service to Cheyenne's many volunteers and excellent support to those who need it most."

**Leo Pando, Mayor of
Cheyenne**

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	<u>No. of Programs</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>	<u>Corporation for National Service Funding</u>
<u>AmeriCorps</u>			
AmeriCorps*State	5	149	\$722,398
AmeriCorps*VISTA	9	26	\$325,000
AmeriCorps*NCCC	N/A ¹	N/A ¹	N/A ¹
State Commission Allotted Administrative Funds			\$125,000
AmeriCorps Total	14	175	\$1,172,398

In addition to AmeriCorps grant funds for Wyoming, each AmeriCorps member who completes a term of service is eligible for an education award to help pay for college or other higher education. The education award is \$4,725 for full-time service, and a lesser amount for members who serve part-time. To date, 220 Wyoming residents have received awards totalling \$662,617 in education aid.

	<u>No. of Grantees</u>	<u>No. of Subgrantees</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>Learn and Serve America</u>				
K-12 School- and Community-Based Programs	2	8	479	\$104,499
Higher Education	0	0	0	\$0 ²
Learn and Serve America Total	2	8	479	\$104,499

	<u>No. of Projects</u>	<u>No. of Participants</u>	<u>Funding</u>
<u>National Senior Service Corps</u>			
Foster Grandparent Program	2	145	\$386,047
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	2	799	\$80,846
Senior Companion Program	1	90	\$265,436
National Senior Service Corps Total	5	1,034	\$732,329

Total National Service Resources	21	8	1,688	\$2,009,226
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¹ Wyoming is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado. In the past year, 24 AmeriCorps*NCCC members served on projects in Yellowstone National Park, Jackson, Fort Laramie, and the Wind River Reservation.

² No colleges or universities currently receive Learn and Serve America Higher Education funding in this state.

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**Office of the Inspector General
Corporation for National Service**

**Report on the Audit of
The Corporation for National and Community Service
Statement of Financial Position
September 30, 1997**



The Government Corporation Control Act (31 U.S.C. 9101 *et seq.*) requires the Office of Inspector General to annually audit the financial statements of the Corporation for National and Community Service. However, as OIG has previously reported, material weaknesses in management controls and other deficiencies precluded the required audits for fiscal years 1994, 1995 and 1996. Although the Corporation has made progress toward correcting some of the conditions, during fiscal year 1997, the Corporation decided that due to the nature and significance of weaknesses that had not been corrected, only its Statement of Financial Position as of September 30, 1997, could be submitted for audit.

OIG audited the Statement of Financial Position, and, as required by the Act, submitted the resulting report¹ to the Corporation's Chief Executive Officer, to the Chairman of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight of the House of Representatives, and to the Chairman of the Committee on Governmental Affairs of the Senate on October 9, 1998. In the report, the Auditors' Opinion on the Statement of Financial Position is qualified because the Corporation was unable to provide sufficient evidence to support (1) its methodology to estimate grant advances and grants payable or the reasonableness of amounts recorded for these line items, and (2) the reasonableness of amounts recorded as "unexpended appropriations" and "cumulative results of operations."

The report also discloses that material weaknesses continued to exist in six financial management areas: the overall control environment that sets the tone for the organization, the National Service Trust, cash reconciliations, grants management, financial systems, and financial management. Finally, the report also discloses two areas of non-compliance with laws and regulations: the Corporation's failure to establish a system to assess its internal controls and to report in a manner consistent with the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act,² and the Corporation's substantial non-compliance with Federal financial systems requirements.

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¹ OIG audit report 99-01, *Audit of the Corporation for National and Community Service, Statement of Financial Position, September 30, 1997*, can be obtained by calling or writing OIG.

² as required by the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended

Although the Government Corporation Control Act indicates that the Corporation's annual management report is to include copies of the annual audit of its financial statements, OIG decided not to do so because of the audit's limited scope. The Statement of Financial Position is but one of four financial statements required for government corporations. As required by the Act, the Corporation's annual financial management report includes all four statements.

Further, the Corporation has included additional financial reports, and other information (including performance information) in this annual management report. The additional reports and information have not been audited, and because the Corporation did not initiate their compilation until after the completion of the audit, OIG was unable to apply certain procedures prescribed by professional standards to the annual management report's contents. Therefore, OIG cannot and does not express any assurance on this information.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Luise Jordan".

Luise Jordan
Inspector General

November 30, 1998

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SECTION I
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Corporation for National Service

Financial Statements

September 30, 1997

(Unaudited)

NOTE: While the financial statements as a whole have not been audited, the statement of financial position contained in this package agrees with the audited statement of financial position upon which a qualified opinion was rendered as discussed in the Inspector General's report.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE

Statement of Financial Position, Unaudited

As of September 30, 1997

(Dollars in Thousands)

Assets

Fund balance with Treasury (Note 2)	\$ 707,114
Trust investments and interest receivable, net of amortized premiums and discounts of \$4,543 (Note 3)	235,927
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$70 (Note 4)	2,684
Grant Advances (Note 1g)	21,582
Property and Equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$585 (Note 5)	<u>993</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u>968,300</u>

Liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 1i)	\$ 15,937
Trust service award liability (Note 6)	192,253
Commission post service benefits liability (Note 7)	1,983
Capital lease liability (Note 8)	195
Grants payable (Note 1j)	73,555
Accrued annual leave (Note 1i)	2,568
Accrued FECA liability (Note 1i)	<u>3,880</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>290,371</u>

Net Position (Note 10)

Unexpended appropriations:	
Unobligated	163,315
Obligated	329,004
Cumulative results of operations	<u>185,610</u>
Total Net Position	<u>677,929</u>

Commitments (Notes 2 and 9)

Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ <u>968,300</u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE
Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Position, Unaudited
For the Year Ended September 30, 1997
(Dollars in Thousands)

Revenues and Financing Sources

Appropriated capital used (Note 11)	\$ 717,125
Other revenue (Note 12)	<u>21,465</u>
Total Revenues and Financing Sources	<u>738,590</u>

Expenses

Program/Operating expense (Note 13)	658,125
National service award expense (Note 14)	98,205
Other expense (Note 15)	<u>2,710</u>
Total Expenses	<u>759,040</u>

Shortage of Revenues and Financing Sources Over Total Expenses (\$ 20,450)

Net position, beginning balance	\$ 761,592
Adjustments:	
Commission post service benefits liability (Note 7)	(1,983)
Depreciation charges in prior period (Note 5)	(64)
Net decrease in prior period expense	<u>13</u>
Net position, beginning balance as adjusted	759,558
Shortage of revenues and financing sources over total expenses	(20,450)
Decrease in unexpended appropriations (Note 16)	(61,280)
Increase in donated capital (Note 16)	34
Increase in capital investments (Note 16)	<u>67</u>
Net Position, Ending Balance	\$ <u>677,929</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE

Statement of Cash Flows, Unaudited

For the Year Ended September 30, 1997

(Dollars in Thousands)

Cash Flows From Operating Activities

Cash provided by:

Collection from inter-agency agreements	\$ 4,424
Interest received on investments	15,651
Others	<u>556</u>
Total cash provided	20,631

Cash used for:

Personal services and benefits	(81,165)
Travel and transportation	(6,163)
Rent, communications and utilities	(6,151)
Supplies and materials	(5,580)
Grants	(378,159)
Service Awards	(33,889)
Other contractual services	(28,060)
Others	<u>(2,464)</u>
Total cash used	<u>(541,631)</u>

Net Cash Used by Operating Activities (521,000)

Cash Flows From Investing Activities

Purchase of property and equipment	(67)
Receipts from sales/maturities of securities	58,774
Purchase of securities	<u>(83,591)</u>
Net Cash Used by Investing Activities	<u>(24,884)</u>

Cash Flows From Financing Activities

Appropriations received, net of rescissions	616,349
Expired Appropriations	<u>(57,951)</u>
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	<u>558,398</u>

Net increase in cash 12,514

Fund Balance with Treasury and Cash, Beginning Balance 694,600

Fund Balance with Treasury and Cash, Ending Balance \$ 707,114

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE

Notes to the Financial Statements

September 30, 1997

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

a. Basis of Presentation

These financial statements have been prepared to report the financial position and results of operations of the Corporation for National Service (the Corporation), as required by the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993. The Corporation is not subject to income tax.

b. Reporting Entity

The Corporation for National Service, a government corporation, was created by the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993 (Public Law 103-82). The Corporation provides grants and other incentives to states, local municipalities and not-for-profit organizations to expand national and community service volunteer activities. The Corporation operates the National Service Trust (the Trust), a fund within the Corporation, to fund education and similar awards made under National and Community Service Programs including Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA), AmeriCorps, and National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) programs.

c. Basis of Accounting

The Corporation's financial statements are prepared under the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to government corporations. Under the accrual method, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when a liability is incurred, without regard to receipt or payment of cash. The Corporation uses budgetary accounting to facilitate compliance with legal constraints and controls over the use of federal funds.

d. Fund Balance with Treasury

The Corporation does not maintain cash in commercial bank accounts. Cash receipts and disbursements are processed by the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury). Fund balance with Treasury represents annual, multi-year, and no-year funds which are maintained in appropriated and trust funds that are available to pay current and future commitments.

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e. Trust Investments and Interest Receivable

By law the Corporation invests funds, which have been transferred to the Trust, only in interest-bearing Treasury obligations of the United States. These Treasury obligations are referred to as market-based specials, which are similar to government securities sold on the open market, and consist of Treasury notes, bonds, bills and one-day certificates.

The Corporation has classified these investments as held-to-maturity at the time of purchase and periodically re-evaluates such classification. Securities are classified as held-to-maturity when the Corporation has the positive intent and ability to hold securities to maturity. Held-to-maturity securities are stated at cost with corresponding premiums or discounts amortized over the life of the investment to interest income using the effective interest method.

Interest receivable represent amounts earned but not received on investments held at year-end. Accrued interest, which is the amount of interest earned on an investment between the date of the last interest payment and the date the security was purchased by the Corporation, is recorded as prepaid interest and included in the interest receivable balance.

f. Accounts Receivable, Net

Accounts receivable represent amounts due to the Corporation primarily from Federal and non-Federal reimbursable agreements, and repayments of advances due from employees. Amounts are shown net of an allowance for doubtful accounts.

g. Grant Advances

The Corporation advances funds primarily in response to grantee drawdown requests to facilitate their authorized national and community service, and domestic volunteer service activities. The cash payments to grantees are accounted for as advances. At the end of the fiscal year the total amount advanced to grantees is compared with the Corporation-funded amount expensed by the grantees. For those grantees with advances exceeding expenses, including accrued expenses, the aggregate difference is reported as the advance account balance.

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h. Property and Equipment

The Corporation capitalizes property and equipment at historical cost for acquisitions of \$10,000 and over, with an estimated useful life of 2 or more years. The assets reported, composed of telephone equipment, computer systems equipment, copiers, computer software and systems furniture, are depreciated (or amortized) on a straight line basis, using the half year convention, over useful lives, which range from 2 to 10 years.

i. Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities

Accounts payable represents amounts due to both Federal and non-Federal entities for goods and services received by the Corporation at the end of the fiscal year. They also represent advance funds received under cost sharing agreements for which expenses were not incurred by the end of the fiscal year. Accrued liabilities represent accruals for payroll and benefits, and liability for volunteer stipend payable.

j. Grants Payable

Grants are made to non-profit organizations, education institutions, and other external organizations. Grants become obligations, but not liabilities, when they are awarded. Grantees may choose to operate on a reimbursable basis, whereby they incur authorized expenses and then request reimbursements. At the end of each fiscal year, the Corporation reports the total amount of unreimbursed authorized grantee expenses, including expenses based on estimated spending patterns of grantees, as grants payable.

k. Trust Service Award Liability

The Trust service award liability represents unpaid earned, and expected to be earned, education awards and eligible interest forbearance costs. This liability, more fully discussed in Note 6, is funded by The National Service Trust (the Trust), established by the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993.

l. Commission Post-Service Benefits Liability

The Commission post-service benefits liability represents unpaid earned education awards incurred by the Commission on National and Community Service (the Commission), which has been managed by the Corporation since 1994. This liability, more fully discussed in Note 7, is funded by the Commission.

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m. Net Position

The Corporation receives annual and multi-year appropriations to operate its grant program. The Corporation also receives no-year appropriated funds to provide education awards to members. Funds received for education awards remain available indefinitely. Net position includes unexpended appropriations and cumulative results of operations.

n. Revenue and Financing Sources

The Corporation obtains funding for its program and operating expenses through annual and multi-year appropriations which are recognized as revenue when used for eligible expenses incurred. Funds not used for eligible expenses within the allowed time must be returned to Treasury. Appropriations received for the Corporation's Trust to meet education award requirements are recognized as revenue when received. Trust appropriations do not expire if not expended and are retained by the Corporation in the Trust until used for eligible purposes.

o. Other Revenue

Other revenue consists primarily of interest income which is recognized when earned. Treasury notes and bonds pay interest semiannually, based on the stated rate of interest. Interest earned on Treasury bills is recognized at maturity. Interest income is adjusted by amortization of premiums and discounts. The effective interest method is used to amortize premiums and discounts.

The Corporation also receives income from reimbursable service agreements, as well as gifts and donations for the support of service projects from individuals and organizations.

p. Retirement Benefits

The Corporation's employees are eligible to participate in two retirement plans. Employees hired before January 1, 1984 are covered by the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) unless they elected to join the Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS) and Social Security during the election period. Employees hired after December 31, 1983 are covered by FERS and Social Security. For employees covered by the CSRS, the Corporation contributes approximately 7 percent of their gross pay to the Plan. For those employees covered by FERS and Social Security, the Corporation's contributions to the Plan approximate 13 percent of the gross pay of regular employees. Employees covered by FERS are allowed to participate in the Federal Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) and the Corporation contributes an automatic 1 percent of the

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employee's basic pay and matches any employee contribution up to an additional 4 percent of pay. Employees under the CSRS plan may participate in the TSP but will not receive the Corporation's automatic (1%) and matching contributions.

For fiscal year 1997, the Corporation made retirement contributions of \$842,599 to the CSRS Plan, and \$2,389,339 in contributions to FERS and the TSP Plans.

q. Contingencies

Management has determined that there were no contingent liabilities outstanding as of September 30, 1997 that would have a material effect on the financial statements.

r. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Note 2. Fund Balances with Treasury

This amount represents the cash balances with the U.S. Treasury, as reflected in the Corporation's records as of September 30, 1997. The composition of the Fund Balance with Treasury by type and classification as of September 30, 1997 is presented below (in thousands):

Type	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Appropriated funds	\$ 684,301	\$ 0	\$ 684,301
Trust funds	0	22,381	22,381
Gift funds	10	422	432
Total	<u>\$ 684,311</u>	<u>\$ 22,803</u>	<u>\$ 707,114</u>

From the unrestricted appropriated funds (in thousands) of \$684,301, approximately \$443,789 and \$34,266, respectively, are obligated grants awarded and operating expenses as of September 30, 1997.

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Note 3. Trust Investments and Interest Receivable

The composition of investments and interest receivable is as follows at September 30, 1997 (in thousands):

Investments, carrying value	\$ 232,351
Interest receivable	<u>3,576</u>
Total	<u>\$ 235,927</u>

The amortized cost and fair value of investment securities are as follows at September 30, 1997 (in thousands):

Held-to-Maturity Securities	Amortized Cost	Unrealized Gains	Unrealized Losses	Fair Market Value
Notes	\$224,876	\$2,298	\$ 365	\$226,809
Bills	<u>7,475</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>- -</u>	<u>7,575</u>
Total	<u>\$232,351</u>	<u>\$2,398</u>	<u>\$ 365</u>	<u>\$234,384</u>

The notes held at year-end had an interest rate range of 4.75% to 14.25% and a maturity range from 120 days to almost 5 years. The bills held at year-end had an interest range of 4.7 to 5.1% and were due to mature within 90 days.

Investments held at September 30, 1997 mature according to the following schedule (in thousands):

<u>Held-to-Maturity Securities</u>	<u>Amortized Cost</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Due in 1 year or less	\$ 47,785	\$ 48,174
Due after 1 year up to 5 years	184,566	186,210
Total	<u>\$232,351</u>	<u>\$234,384</u>

Note 4. Accounts Receivable

The following schedule shows the accounts receivable of the Corporation as of September 30, 1997 (dollars are in thousands):

Accounts and reimbursable receivable	\$ 2,754
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts	<u>70</u>
Accounts receivable, net	<u>\$ 2,684</u>

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Note 5. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is recorded at cost and depreciated over its estimated useful life. Shown below is the composition of Property and Equipment account as of September 30, 1997 (in thousands):

<u>Equipment Type</u>	<u>Depreciation Method</u>	<u>Service Life</u>	<u>Acquisition Cost</u>	<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>	<u>Net Book Value</u>
Telephone	Straight line	6 Years	\$ 348	\$ 187	\$ 162
Computer systems	Straight line	3 Years	303	158	145
Copiers	Straight line	5 Years	182	35	147
Copiers	Straight line	4 Years	11	11	0
Copiers	Straight line	3 Years	15	10	5
Software	Straight line	2 Years	13	3	9
Systems furniture	Straight line	10 Years	656	173	483
Systems furniture	Straight line	3 Years	50	8	42
Total property and equipment			<u>\$1,578</u>	<u>\$ 585</u>	<u>\$ 993</u>

Note 6. Service Award Liability - National Service Trust

Individuals who successfully complete terms of service in AmeriCorps programs earn education awards, which can be used to make payments on qualified student loans or cost of attendance at qualified educational institutions. The awards, which can be used for a period of up to seven years, are paid from the National Service Trust. The Trust also pays forbearance interest on qualified student loans during the period members perform community service.

The Corporation records a liability for service awards and forbearance interest costs based on actual awards earned by participants who have completed service and participants currently enrolled in the program that are expected to earn an award based on the Corporation's historical experience.

The service award liability was comprised of the following as of September 30, 1997 (in thousands):

Education awards	\$ 251,945
Interest forbearance	<u>1,557</u>
Total liability & interest forbearance	253,502
Less: Cumulative awards paid	<u>(61,249)</u>
Trust Service award liability	<u>\$ 192,253</u>

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Note 7. Service Award Liability - Commission on National and Community Service

The Commission on National and Community Service (the Commission) was merged into the Corporation for National Service during fiscal year 1994. With this merger the Corporation became responsible for any liabilities of the Commission, including those incurred for post service benefits.

Post-service benefits liabilities from Commission operations differ from those originating within the Corporation in three significant respects: 1) the grantee, rather than an agency of the federal government, is responsible for making service award payments; 2) the portion of these awards which is funded by the federal government is specified in each grant agreement, with any remaining amount funded by the grantee; 3) the post-service period during which an award is available for use is established by each program grantee, rather than set at seven-years for all awardees.

The post-service benefits liability associated with the Commission was estimated based on a review of all grants for which post service benefits were authorized. The amounts shown below represent the aggregate maximum liability under the assumption that all funds obligated for post service awards are still payable to grantees for this purpose, except for the portions that have been drawn down or for which the post-service benefit expired on or before September 30, 1997.

The Commission service award liability was comprised of the following as of September 30, 1997 (in thousands):

Education awards	\$8,086
Less: Amounts drawn down	<u>4,450</u>
Undisbursed awards	3,636
Less: Post-service benefit expirations	<u>1,653</u>
Net Commission Post-service benefit liability	<u>\$1,983</u>

Note 8. Capital Lease Liability

The Corporation has entered into lease agreements for copy machines and systems workstation furniture. These leases vary from 3 to 10 year terms and are deemed to be capital leases. The cost of the copiers and systems workstation furniture has been recorded as property and equipment (see Note 5) and the liability for these leases is as shown below (in thousands).

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Future payments due:

Fiscal year 1998	\$ 72
Fiscal year 1999	68
Fiscal year 2000	61
Fiscal year 2001	<u>38</u>
Total future lease payments	239
Less: Imputed interest	<u>44</u>
Total capital lease liability	<u>\$195</u>

Note 9. Other Leases

The Corporation leases office space through the General Services Administration (GSA). GSA's lease agreement with the building owner has a 10 year term. However, GSA is authorized to reassign the Corporation to other space if and when GSA determines that reassignment would promote and enforce efficient space utilization. The corporation is not a party to any building lease agreements; therefore, no future minimum lease payments on buildings is disclosed. Additionally, the Corporation leases motor vehicles on an annual basis through GSA under an Interagency Fleet Management Service agreement for the National Civilian Community Corps.

Note 10. Net Position

The reported net position consists of unexpended appropriations and cumulative results of operations, which represents the differences between revenues and expenses since the Corporation's inception. Component funds are separately maintained for the Gift Fund, Trust Fund and Appropriated Fund. Following is a summary of net position by component as of September 30, 1997 (in thousands):

	Gift Fund	Trust Fund	Appropriated Fund	Total
Unexpended appropriations	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$492,319	\$492,319
Cumulative results of operations	<u>461</u>	<u>118,947</u>	<u>66,202</u>	<u>185,610</u>
Net position	<u>\$ 461</u>	<u>\$118,947</u>	<u>\$558,521</u>	<u>\$677,929</u>

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Note 11. Appropriated Capital Used

The Corporation receives annual and multi-year appropriations to fund program and operating expenses. These appropriations are recognized as revenue when expended for eligible costs incurred. Funds appropriated and made available to the Trust Fund for eligible educational awards are recognized as revenue when received. The funds received for education awards remain available indefinitely. Appropriated capital for the year ending September 30, 1997 consists of the following (in thousands):

Appropriated capital expended	\$ 658,125
FY 1997 Trust Fund appropriation	<u>59,000</u>
Total appropriated capital	<u>\$ 717,125</u>

Note 12. Other Revenue

Other revenue is described in Note 1 and consists of the following as of September 30, 1997 (in thousands):

Revenue from services provided	\$ 5,560
Trust interest income	15,790
Other revenue and financing sources	<u>115</u>
Total other revenue	<u>\$ 21,465</u>

Note 13. Program/Operating Expense

The costs of operating the Corporation's grant programs and providing administrative support for Trust Fund operations are included in program/operating expense. The components of program/operating expense for the year ended September 30, 1997 are presented below (dollars are in thousands):

Grants	\$ 492,106
Personnel services and benefits	78,903
Travel and transportation	7,788
Rent, communications, and utilities	6,528
Printing and reproduction	598
Other services	68,936
Supplies & materials	2,854
Depreciation	271
Miscellaneous	<u>141</u>
Total program/operating expense	<u>\$ 658,125</u>

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Note 14. National Service Award Expense

Members participating in the Trust programs are eligible to earn a service award to pay for qualified education expenses. The Trust also pays interest forbearance costs on qualified student loans during the period members perform community service. The Corporation recognizes the expense for national service awards based on the increase in the total service award liability (see Note 6) during the year.

The national service award expense accrued for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1997 is presented below (in thousands):

Awards earned as of 9/30/97	\$ 196,426
Estimated awards to be earned	55,519
Interest forbearance	<u>1,557</u>
Total liability & forbearance as of 9/30/97	253,502
Total liability & forbearance as of 9/30/96	<u>(155,297)</u>
National service award expense	<u>\$ 98,205</u>

Note 15. Other Expense

Other expense represents those costs which are not current program/operating costs. The composition of these costs is presented below (in thousands):

Annual leave expense	\$ 2,568
Bad debts and writeoffs	70
Interest and penalties	<u>72</u>
Total other expense	<u>\$ 2,710</u>

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Note 16. Non-Operating Changes to Net Position

The items included in non-operating changes are transactions or adjustments that directly affected the net position during the current year that were not part of the revenue and financing sources, expenses, or prior period adjustments. The composition of the non-operating changes as of September 30, 1997 is presented below (in thousands).

<u>Description</u>	<u>FY 1997</u>	<u>FY 1996</u>	<u>Changes</u> <u>Increase(Decrease)</u>
Decrease in unexpended appropriations	\$ 492,319	\$ 553,599	\$ (61,280)
Increase in donated capital	34	0	34
Increase in capital investments	<u>993</u>	<u>926</u>	<u>67</u>
Net non-operating changes	<u>\$ 493,346</u>	<u>\$ 554,525</u>	<u>\$ (61,179)</u>

The amount listed above in thousands as the increase in donated capital (\$34) does not represent donations received during FY 1997, but the budgetary fund balance in the Gift Fund as of September 30, 1997. This amount is shown as an increase because the prior year (FY 1996) financial statements did not present any separate balances for the Gift Fund. The current year donations, as listed in dollars in the accompanying Gift Funds Report, were \$300.

SECTION II

MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROLS

MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL FISCAL YEAR 1997

The Corporation for National Service (the Corporation) is subject to the reporting requirements of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended, (31 U.S.C. 9101 et. Seq.). As part of that requirement, the agency is to provide a statement on its internal accounting and administrative controls consistent with the requirements of the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act of 1982 (Public Law 98-255). This statement must reflect the Corporation's assessment of whether there is reasonable assurance that management controls are achieving their intended results, report on any material weaknesses in management controls present within the agency, and describe management's current plans to address and correct these deficiencies.

Although the Corporation has made considerable progress in the development and implementation of corrective actions in response to findings and recommendations from various audit reports, we acknowledge that additional improvements in our oversight of financial operations need to be made. The information below and in the attached tables update information provided in the fiscal year 1996 Annual Report and describe the Corporation's management control objectives, control weaknesses and corrective action plans. We have included management control issues reported and management actions taken through August 30, 1998. The Corporation acknowledges that subsequent to August 30, 1998, additional items have been identified in the Corporation's Inspector General reports. The Corporation is considering these additional matters and is developing appropriate corrective action plans. The Corporation's fiscal year 1998 Annual Report will include actions for these items. As well, the Corporation is drafting an Action Plan that is required to be submitted to the Congress by December 21, 1998, that will include many of these items.

CORPORATION'S MANAGEMENT CONTROL OBJECTIVES

One of the primary management objectives of the Corporation is to maintain adequate control of its ongoing program and administrative processes. In the broadest sense, management controls include the plan of organization, methods, and procedures adopted by management to ensure its goals are met. Management controls include processes for planning, organizing, directing, and controlling program operations. These management controls are intended to provide the Corporation reasonable assurance that:

1. Programs achieve their intended results;
2. Resources are used consistent with the agency mission;
3. Programs and resources are protected from waste, fraud, and abuse;
4. Laws and regulations are followed; and

5. Reliable and timely information is obtained, maintained, reported, and used for decision-making.

Corporation management installed an audit follow-up system to assure that the responses to internal and external audit findings are prompt, and that corrective actions, where necessary, are implemented. As a result, there has been a marked improvement in the resolution of open audit findings.

A. BASIC OPERATIONS

The Corporation was created on September 21, 1993 by the National and Community Service Trust Act. It incorporated activities previously carried out by the Commission for National and Community Service and the White House Office of National Service. Effective April 1994, programs and functions administered by the former ACTION Agency under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 also became an integral part of the Corporation.

The Corporation engages Americans of all ages and backgrounds in community-based service to address the nation's educational, environmental, public safety, and human needs. The Corporation fosters civic responsibility, strengthens the ties that bind us together as a people, and provides educational opportunity for those who make a substantial contribution to service.

The Corporation continues to improve the quality and integrity of its financial affairs by aggressively addressing identified deficiencies. Efforts to correct deficiencies have included the implementation of recommendations contained in reviews and assessments, and the development of additional controls.

Audit of the Corporation's Statement of Financial Position as of September 30, 1997¹

The Office of Inspector (OIG) issued an audit of the Corporation's FY 1997 statement of financial position on September 14, 1998. OIG has begun a full financial statement audit for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. We are making progress; but still have much to do, including correction of weaknesses identified in the FY 1997 statement of financial position audit, and in the OIG's July 1998 Auditability Assessment.

The audit report opinion on the statement of financial position is qualified because the auditors were unable to satisfy themselves as to the reasonableness of certain amounts regarding grants and the component balances of equity accounts. Additionally, the auditors reported material weaknesses in six areas and two areas of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The six areas are:

- **General Control Environment** - The Corporation's general control environment is weak and is not conducive to ensuring that an effective system of internal control is

¹ OIG Report 99-01, *Audit of The Corporation for National and Community Service Statement of Financial Position September 30, 1997 (October 1998)*

maintained to safeguard assets, produce reliable financial reports, and comply with applicable laws and regulations. Further, management has not established procedures to assess the effectiveness of its internal control structure on an annual basis.

- ***National Service Trust*** - Procedures to obtain and reconcile membership roster information prepared by program sites to corresponding information on file at the Corporation are ineffective. This information is necessary to validate the accuracy and completeness of the data supporting the calculation of the service award liability.
- ***Fund Balance with Treasury*** - Reconciliations are not performed in an effective or timely manner.
- ***Grants Management*** - Adequate procedures for monitoring grantee financial activity and compliance with laws and regulations are not in place; expired grants are not closed out on a timely basis; and a reasonable method for determining outstanding amounts advanced to grantees or for estimating amounts payable to grantees for unreimbursed grant expenses incurred has not been established.
- ***Financial Systems*** - The Corporation's general ledger system is not adequate to support the financial information needs of the agency, including funds control, or to facilitate the preparation of annual financial statements.
- ***Financial Management and Reporting*** - The Corporation's organizational structure does not lend itself to effective supervisory or quality control over accounting and financial reporting activity to provide reasonable assurance that accounting records and files are complete, data entry errors are detected and corrected in a timely manner, and that reliable and timely financial reports are prepared.

As stated above, the Corporation is developing an action plan by December 21, 1998, that will describe corrective actions for the material weaknesses related to these six areas and will incorporate all corrective actions still to be completed that appear in Tables A - D of this report. The Corporation will report to Congress on that updated plan periodically as well as in the 1998 Annual Report.

Improvement in Management Systems

The improvement of the management control environment is a major priority of the Corporation's management. It is expected that improvements in fiscal operations (completed, in-process and still being planned) will continue to facilitate the Corporation's ability to address previously identified problem areas and to reduce the likelihood of finding new major problems in the future. The Corporation is committed to installing and implementing a new financial management system by June, 1999. The implementation is being developed in conjunction with a cross servicing agency. In addition to the installation and implementation of the new financial management system, other improvements expected to have a positive impact on the management

control environment include the initiation of an internal monitoring function to continuously assess and test Corporation procedures and the development of an overall financial management improvement plan. This updated plan will replace the corrective action charts included here as Tables A - D and will be ready by December 21, 1998.

Trust Fund System Development

The restructuring of the administration of the National Service Trust Fund has been completed. A National Service Trust Unit within the office of the Chief Financial Officer was created to bring several functions related to the Trust Fund under one central management and to help provide the best service to AmeriCorps members who have earned their education award, as well as improve the management, accountability, and financial reporting of the Trust. The unit is responsible for all activities related to the National Service Trust including the management of investments.

Financial Organization

The new financial organizational structure for the Corporation was implemented in 1997. Under the reorganization, the Chief Financial Officer is charged with the primary responsibility for developing and maintaining the Corporation's financial systems and information resources and ensuring the financial integrity of its operations. Component units of the Chief Financial Officer organization oversee and/or provide accounting, budget, grants management, procurement, and financial services support. The National Service Trust Fund is also managed within the office of the Chief Financial Officer.

B. MANAGEMENT'S STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE

Management acknowledges its responsibility for establishing and maintaining management controls in a manner consistent with the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act of 1982. Management has therefore further evaluated the Corporation's management controls as part of its responsibilities under this requirement to ensure that:

1. Obligations and costs comply with applicable law;
2. Assets are safeguarded against waste, loss, unauthorized use, and misappropriation; and
3. Revenues and expenditures applicable to agency operations are recorded and accounted for properly so that accounts and reliable financial and statistical reports may be prepared and accountability of assets may be maintained.

While the Corporation continues to make progress in correcting previously identified material weaknesses and instances of non-conformance, the fiscal year 1997 financial audit indicates that

more needs to be done. Therefore, management cannot provide reasonable assurance that these control objectives were met.

C. IDENTIFIED DEFICIENCIES IN MANAGEMENT CONTROLS

Presented below are the sources of information that were used to identify deficiencies in the Corporation's management controls and financial systems discussed in the subsequent sections (tables) of the report.

Auditability Survey

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) performed an assessment of the Corporation's progress in correcting reportable conditions and material weaknesses, as identified in previous reports², as part of the effort to perform the annual financial statement audit; a determination was also made regarding the impact of the remaining uncorrected deficiencies on the auditability of the fiscal year 1997 statement of financial position. The OIG stated in the report³ that while there were still previously reported internal control deficiencies, the fiscal year 1997 statement of financial position could be audited. Table A presents a description of five outstanding non-Trust Fund related auditability findings and the status of management's corrective action plans for those findings. Additionally, 17 recommendations were identified in Appendix A of that report as related to material weaknesses, other reportable conditions and other findings as not corrected. Of those 17 recommendations three relate to material weaknesses, 10 relate to other reportable conditions and four relate to other findings.

Trust Fund Audit

During the first quarter of fiscal year 1997, OIG initiated an audit of the financial statements of the Corporation's National Service Trust Fund for fiscal years 1995 and 1994. The audit, performed by an independent accounting firm, was completed in the second quarter of fiscal year 1997 and disclosed a number of material weaknesses in the accounting for and administration of the Trust Fund.⁴ The firm disclaimed an opinion on the fiscal year 1995 and 1994 financial statements because the Corporation did not maintain adequate accounting or member records, and records that were reconstructed subsequent to September 30, 1995 were not adequately supported by underlying documentation. Because the Corporation did not have adequate internal controls over Trust Fund financial and related records for these years, it could not be ascertained that accounts containing fund balances, investments and service award liability were complete and accurate. A description of the material weaknesses identified and management's current efforts to correct these issues are reflected in Tables B and C.

² OIG Report 96-38, *Reports on the Results of the Auditability Survey (March 1996)*

OIG Report 97-29, *Report on the Follow-up Study to the Auditability Survey (July 1997)*

³ OIG Report 98-23, *Auditability Assessment of the Corporation for National Service at September 30, 1997 (July 1998)*

⁴ OIG Report 97-27, *Audit of the National Service Trust Fund Fiscal Years 1995 and 1994 (January 1997)*

Accounting Systems

In accordance with the requirements of 31 U.S.C. 9106 (a)(2)(e), the Corporation must provide a statement consistent with the requirement for federal agencies to report under 31 U.S.C. 3512(d)(2)(B) on whether their accounting systems meet federal requirements consistent with the guidelines for preparing these statements prescribed by OMB Circular A-127, "Financial Management Systems. The Corporation has assessed the current control environment associated with the primary financial management systems used in the operations of the organization. The assessment resulted in the identification of a number of non-conformances within the Corporation's financial management systems.

Under OMB Circular A-127, federal government financial systems must provide complete, reliable, consistent, timely and useful financial information to enable the carrying out of fiduciary responsibilities. Integrated financial management systems must meet specified requirements in order to meet this objective. Because of the identified non-conformances, the Corporation's financial management system does not meet the specified requirements. These non-conformances and their related corrective actions are reflected in Table C. A systems and security review of the financial management system, in accordance with the provisions of OMB Circular A-130, "Management of Federal Information Resources," was completed. All major systems have been certified with findings that were to be addressed within one year of review. A project plan to address findings was developed and progress is monitored regularly.

Impact of Year 2000 Problem

OIG assessed the impact of the Year 2000 problem at the Corporation. The resultant report⁵ identified several areas regarding the Corporation's Year 2000 effort. A description of the findings and management's corrective actions are provided in Table D.

Assessment of AmeriCorps Service Hour Reporting

OIG evaluated controls over AmeriCorps service hour reporting and assessed whether the service performed was in accordance with the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993, as amended.⁶ Their assessment found that, while a level of control over the reporting hours to the National Service Trust Fund exists at all of the program sites tested, the errors and exceptions noted indicated a lack of quality control procedures at both program sites and the Corporation. The OIG also cited material deficiencies that increase the likelihood of errors or irregularities (including fraud), in the reporting of AmeriCorps service hours, and could result in the calculation of a materially incorrect service award liability, the reporting of inaccurate membership data, and educational awards being paid to AmeriCorps Members who have not successfully completed the required term. The report's findings and management's current actions to correct them are reflected in Table D.

⁵ OIG Report 98-20, *Assessment of Computer Difficulties Associated with the Year 2000* (July 1998)

⁶ OIG Report 98-19, *Assessment of AmeriCorps Service Hour Reporting* (June 1998)

D. CURRENT PLANS

The Corporation will continue to implement corrective actions on the remaining management control weaknesses, as well as any instances of material non-conformance which were present within the Corporation's operations in fiscal year 1997.

TABLE A
Auditability Survey I and II ⁷
*(Description of Significant Material Weaknesses and Schedules of
Corrective Actions/Major Milestones)*

- **CNS lacks a strong management control environment.**

***Recommendation:** Management should strengthen the CNS management control environment to address existing weaknesses.*

Corrective Action Plan/Major Milestones	Milestones Dates		
	Original Plan Date	Current Plan Date	Actual Date of Completion
1. Establish a process to regularly emphasize employees' responsibility to adhere to policies and procedures.	07/1996	03/1999	
2. Incorporate management control issues into staff training programs.	07/1996	03/1999	
3. Develop a management controls assessment process to monitor and improve the effectiveness of the Corporation's management controls.	09/1997	03/1999	

- **CNS does not have procedures in place to perform a detailed reconciliation of cash balances per its general ledger to cash balances per Treasury's records on a periodic basis.**

***Recommendation:** CNS should establish written procedures for reconciling cash accounts. The cash reconciliation should be performed on a monthly basis.*

Corrective Action Plan/Major Milestones	Milestones Dates		
	Original Plan Date	Current Plan Date	Actual Date of Completion
1. Perform monthly cash reconciliation on a timely basis and ensure that reconciling items are identified and resolved in a timely manner.*	04/1996		06/1998 and on-going
2. Resolve prior period adjustments and reconcile the statement of differences in order to reconcile with Treasury at the appropriations level.		6/1999	

**While reconciliation at the agency level is done, the Corporation continues to work on actions that will allow reconciliation with Treasury at the appropriations level.*

⁷ OIG Report 96-38, *Report on the Results of the Auditability Survey* (March 1996)
OIG Report 98-23, *Auditability Assessment of the Corporation for National Service at September 30, 1997* (July 1998)

- **CNS has not completely entered OPAC transactions into the general ledger on a timely basis.**

Recommendation: *Management should develop and implement procedures to ensure that OPAC transactions are recorded in the general ledger on a timely basis.*

Corrective Action Plan/Major Milestones	Milestones Dates		
	Original Plan Date	Current Plan Date	Actual Date of Completion
1. Remain current with OPAC processing, as part of the Corporation's efforts to reconcile its cash balance with Treasury.	12/1996	03/1999	

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- **CNS did not reconcile the data recorded in the three electronic data processing (EDP) systems, all of which use the same source document for original entry, on a timely basis.**

Recommendation: *Management should require that data in the various grants systems be periodically reconciled by personnel with no other grant-related responsibilities.*

Corrective Action Plan/Major Milestones	Milestones Dates		
	Original Plan Date	Current Plan Date	Actual Date of Completion
1. Install and operate automatic interfaces between the Payment Management System and the Federal Success general ledger system.	04/1997		02/1998

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- **Management has not provided guidelines to the State Offices for the development and implementation of procedures to verify the official enrollment of VISTA members.**

Recommendation: *CNS should determine and develop an effective means of verifying that VISTA volunteers entered into VMS are officially enrolled in the program.*

Corrective Action Plan/Major Milestones	Milestones Dates		
	Original Plan Date	Current Plan Date	Actual Date of Completion
1. Implement a monthly report which is sent to VISTA project directors. Instructions should be prepared to reconcile reported members serving with clarification of the process to be followed to resolve discrepancies to actual members.	11/1996		06/1998

TABLE B
Audit of the National Service Trust Fund
Fiscal Year 1995 and 1994 Financial Statements⁸
(Description of Material Weaknesses and Schedules of
Corrective Actions/Major Milestones)

- **CNS did not maintain adequate financial records (general ledgers, detailed schedules and source documentation) for the Trust Fund during the years ended September 30, 1995 and 1994.**
- **CNS did not maintain a system of internal controls over financial and other information contained in the Trust Fund System database (educational award and membership detail) for the years ended September 30, 1995 and 1994.**

Recommendation: *CNS should perform the following:*

1. *Maintain records on a contemporaneous basis.*
2. *Establish monthly procedures that require the reconciliation of fund balances with Treasury and investments to Treasury activity.*
3. *Establish a reconciliation procedure between Trust Fund System data (awards earned and disbursements) and monthly general ledger activity. Documentation supporting the reconciliation should be maintained.*

Corrective Action Plan/Major Milestones	Milestones Dates		
	Original Plan Date	Current Plan Date	Actual Date of Completion
1. Revise and reissue accounting procedures providing for transactions to be recorded and reconciled on a contemporaneous basis.	03/1997		10/1998
2. Establish processes providing monthly reconciliation of fund (cash) and investment balances to Treasury's balances.	03/1997		06/1997
3. Develop formal procedures to ensure that reconciliation is performed between the Trust Fund System data and the general ledger on a monthly basis.	03/1997	01/1999	
4. Procure an imaging system to improve the handling of Trust Fund documentation and to assist in locating historic documents.	N/A		07/1998

⁸ OIG Report 97-27, *Audit of the National Service Trust Fund Fiscal years 1995 and 1994 (January 1997)*

TABLE C
System Findings
Auditability Surveys I and II
Audit of the National Service Trust Fund
Fiscal Year 1995 and 1994 Financial Statements
(Description of Material Non-Conformances in Financial Systems and
Schedules of Corrective Actions/Major Milestones)

- **CNS has a cross-servicing agreement with the U.S. Department of Transportation to provide system access and data processing services through its Federal Success (FS) financial management system. However, CNS management assessments of FS disclosed that the system is not in compliance with the Financial Management System Requirements as outlined in Section 7 of OMB Circular No. A-127. Specifically, FS does not provide for effective and efficient inter-relationships between software, hardware, personnel, fund controls, and data contained within the systems.**

***Recommendation:** To study and analyze available options to replace current Federal Success financial management system. The study and analysis project will provide CNS with information as regards the strengths and applicability of other financial systems which could be used to upgrade the Corporation's current financial and administrative operations.*

Corrective Action Plan/Major Milestones	Milestones Dates		
	Original Plan Date	Current Plan Date	Actual Date of Completion
1. Replace Federal Success financial management system.	09/1997	10/1999	

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- **The Trust Fund System is an information system custom developed for the Corporation for National Service. The system maintains in a database, information about CNS applicants, participants, programs and institutions. Material non-conformances assessed are the following:**
 1. **The system has not been certified by an independent source as to the correct operation of appropriate system controls.**
 2. **CNS did not maintain a system of internal controls over financial and other information contained in the Trust Fund System database for the year ended September 30, 1995.**

Recommendation: *CNS should obtain a system certification for the Trust Fund System and material weaknesses in the Trust Fund System noted during the FY 1995 audit should be corrected.*

Corrective Action Plan/Major Milestones	Milestones Dates		
	Original Plan Date	Current Plan Date	Actual Date of Completion
1. Conduct a review of the Trust Fund's internal control structure to include authorization policies and others.	06/1997		09/1997
2. Examine methods to improve the filing system for enrollment and completion forms.	04/1997		09/1997
3. establish key indicators of Trust Fund financial activity which are monitored on a monthly basis as part of regular business processes.	03/1997		07/1998

Table D
Other System Findings
Audit of Procurement Operations
Audit of Member Service Hour Reporting

- Several high risk areas regarding the Corporation's Year 2000 effort and two of these are of particular import.⁹ First, there is insufficient awareness throughout the Corporation of the Year 2000 problem. Second, the Corporation's financial management system, Federal Success, is not Year 2000 compliant.

Recommendations: The Corporation should create a Year 2000 Steering Committee to manage the project to achieve Year 2000 compliance. Also, the Corporation should accelerate the implementation of the new financial management system and develop a contingency plan in the event that the system is not operational in time to avert Year 2000 problems.

Corrective Action Plan/Major Milestones	Milestones Dates		
	Original Plan Date	Current Plan Date	Actual Date of Completion
1. Establish a Year 2000 Steering Committee to oversee the work of the project team and to disseminate information to Senior Management and the Corporation staff.	07/1998		07/1998
2. Start work on a contingency plan for financial management systems.	08/1998		08/1998
3. Determine if contingency plans need to be implemented.	03/1999		
4. Develop Y2K Corrective Action Plan	12/1998		
5. Monitor implementation of Y2K Plan	on-going		

- An assessment of controls over AmeriCorps service hour reporting noted a lack of quality control over procedures.¹⁰

Recommendation: Improve management controls over the reporting of hours to the National Service Trust Fund.

Corrective Action Plan/Major Milestones	Milestones Dates		
	Original Plan Date	Current Plan Date	Actual Date of Completion
1. Add a component to the field assessment protocol for the assessment of service hour record keeping procedures.			07/1998
2. Conduct a national conference for state commission executive directors, financial executives and administrators of major direct program providers on the subject of financial record keeping, including service hour maintenance.	01/1999		

⁹ OIG Report 98-20, *Assessment of Computer Difficulties Associated with the Year 2000* (July 1998)

¹⁰ OIG Report 98-19, *Assessment of AmeriCorps Service Hour Reporting* (June 1998)

Corrective Action Plan/Major Milestones**Milestones Dates**

Original Plan Date	Current Plan Date	Actual Date of Completion
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3. Work with state commissions to institute an electronic hour reporting system (WBRS) technology:
 - Testing
 - Full implementation
4. Develop a corrective action plan in response to other identified weaknesses

11/1998

11/2000

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SECTION III

THE NATIONAL SERVICE TRUST

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A. Introduction and Background

Established by the National and Community Service Trust Act of 1993, the National Service Trust provides funds for education awards for eligible participants who complete service under AmeriCorps, the national service program. The Trust is an account in the Treasury of the United States and consists of:

- (1) From the amounts appropriated to the Corporation for National Service (the Corporation), those amounts designated by the Corporation as being for national service educational awards and eligible interest expense;
- (2) Any amounts received for the Trust as gifts, bequests, devises, or otherwise; and
- (3) The interest on, and proceeds from the sale or redemption of, any obligations held by the Trust.

Amounts in the Trust shall be available, to the extent provided for in advance by appropriation for the following:

- (1) Repay qualified student loans;
- (2) Pay all or part of the cost of attendance at an institution of higher education;
- (3) Pay expenses incurred in participating in an approved school-to-work program; and
- (4) Repay eligible interest expense.

The value of an education award depends on the length of service provided. Completion of a full time term of service, currently requiring a minimum of 1,700 hours of service, would entitle an AmeriCorps member to an education award of \$4,725. Education awards earned by AmeriCorps members are generally available to be used for seven years from the end of the service. Payments from the National Service Trust are made directly to the education institutions and the loan holders as directed by the members and by the institutions.

B. Reporting Requirements

This document provides the report for Fiscal Years 1997 required by 42 U.S.C.12601(d) which reads, in part, as follows:

“...the Corporation shall submit a report to the Congress on the financial status of the Trust during the preceding fiscal year. Such report shall:

- (1) specify the amount deposited to the Trust from the most recent appropriation to the Corporation, the amount received as gifts, bequests, devises, or otherwise pursuant to section 12651g(a)(2) of this title during the period covered by this report, and any amounts obtained by the Trust pursuant to subsection (a)(3) of this section;
- (2) identify the number of individuals who are currently performing service to qualify, or have qualified, for national service educational awards;
- (3) identify the number of individuals whose expectation to receive national service educational awards during the period covered by the report--
 - (A) has been reduced pursuant to section 12603(c) of this title; or
 - (B) has lapsed pursuant to section 12602(d) of this title; and
- (4) estimate the number of additional approved national service positions that the Corporation will be able to make available under division C on the basis of any accumulated surplus in the Trust above the amount required to provide national service educational awards to individuals identified under paragraph (2), including any amounts available as a result of the circumstances referred to in paragraph (3).”

Response to Reporting Requirements

The following is the Corporation's response to the reporting requirements in the statute. The responses have been expanded somewhat to reflect the manner in which the AmeriCorps programs are administered. Members in AmeriCorps*VISTA and AmeriCorps*National Civilian Community Corps generally perform their service in the year for which the funds are appropriated. But most AmeriCorps State/National members perform their service in the year or years subsequent to the year in which the funds are appropriated. Most AmeriCorps programs are funded through grants, either grants from the Corporation for National Service to state commissions for national and community service or grants from the Corporation directly to national service organizations. The programs funded by these grants are selected after a competitive grant process, either at the state or federal level. Therefore the grants are not awarded until late in the year in which the funds are appropriated or early in the subsequent year. Congress recognized that fact in 1997 by making two-thirds of all funds appropriated to the Corporation in the VA/HUD appropriation bill available only in the last month of the fiscal year and in FY 1998. Therefore, most AmeriCorps members begin their service in the fiscal year after the funds are appropriated. With the delayed starting times and some part-time service being provided over a several year period, most of the qualifying service is not completed until late in the subsequent year or the year following.

As a result of the operating cycle described above, much of the required information is incomplete as of the end of the fiscal year in which funds are appropriated. The following information provides the financial status of the Trust Fund for fiscal year 1997.

Trust Fund Income

Source of Income:	<u>(\$ In Thousands)</u>
Appropriations	\$59,000
Interest Received	<u>15,651</u>
Total Income	\$74,651

The amount listed as appropriations reflects funding levels contained in the VA, HUD, Independent Agencies Appropriations Act of fiscal year 1997. Interest reflects the amount received in cash on investments during the year. On an accrual basis, the interest earned during the year was \$15,790 thousand. By law, funds in the National Service Trust are invested only in Treasury interest bearing obligations -- notes, bills and bonds. The Corporation's investments are referred to as Market Based Specials, which are similar to government securities sold on the open market.

Other Information about the Trust

Education awards are available for use by those earning them for a period of up to seven years from the end of service. Therefore, as of September 30, 1997, no earned awards will have lapsed pursuant to 42 U.S.C 12602(d).

The appropriated funds for the Trust for fiscal year 1997 were sufficient to provide an education award for every enrolled member. The total accumulated surplus as of September 30, 1997 was \$91 million. This accumulated surplus would have provided an additional 19,400 full-time education awards.

The National Service Trust continues to provide a secure source of educational funding for people who have complete a qualifying term of national service. As a result of members' service funded during FY 1997, more than 30,000 individuals will be able to pay qualified student loans or attend qualified education institutions.

The following table incorporates the information requested under items 2, 3 and 4 of 42 U.S.C.12601(d):

Enrollment Status	Number Actually Enrolled	Earned Awards	Projected Number to Earn	*Estimated Awards Requirement (in \$000)
Full Time	19,916	2,396	11,586	63,194
Part Time	8,581	403	4,713	11,361
Reduced PT	1,404	700	567	1,225
Forbearance				1,200
Total Program Year 1996	29,901	3,499	16,867	76,981

**Includes total estimated award requirements for all service funded with 1997 appropriations including both participants enrolled in the Trust at September 30, 1997 as well as those expected to enroll after that date.*

SECTION IV

SUMMARY OF DONATIONS AND GIFTS TO THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE

Summary Of Donations and Gifts to the Corporation For National Service

Under the Corporation's authorizing legislation, donated funds may be accepted and used for the purpose of the furtherance of national service (42 U.S.C. §12651g(a)(2)(A)). This legislation also requires that the Corporation report to the Congress on the nature and amount of donations received as well as how they were used and disposed of (in the case of donated property) in support of its programs and activities (42 U.S.C. §12651d(b)(9)).

The Corporation received and used in FY 1997 direct donations and gifts from private sector foundations, corporations and individuals to support national service activities (see Table 1, below). The following activities are among those for which donations were received and used by the Corporation during FY 1997:

- the support of an AmeriCorps Leaders Program to provide a cadre of highly skilled individuals to provide leadership for service programs throughout the country;
- the support of an internship program at the Corporation;
- the support and promotion of the necessary infrastructure for national service, including training and technical assistance; and
- the support of other activities consistent with a strong national service program.

The table below summarizes the sources and uses of donated funds by the Corporation during FY 1997. The funds expended in FY 1997 include donations received in previous years.

1997 Summary of Donated Funds by Source and Use
(Dollars in Hundreds)

<u>Donor Source</u>	<u>Purpose or Use of Funds</u>	<u>Funds Received</u>	<u>Funds Used</u>
Kellogg Foundation	Training & Technical Assistance	\$ --	\$160,200
Kaufman Foundation	AmeriCorps Leaders Program	--	86,500
Northrup Grumman	Internship Program	200	1,000
Various Donors	Miscellaneous and unspecified purposes	<u>100</u>	<u>16,400</u>
Totals		\$300	\$264,100
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In addition to donations and gifts made directly to the Corporation, a significant amount of nonfederal support for service programs is provided annually by state and local entities as well as private organizations in the form of resources provided directly to local programs—the Corporation's grantees and program sponsors. This indirect support, while not a donation or gift to the Corporation, is very valuable to the nonprofit organizations and government entities sponsoring service programs. In general, the authorizing legislation for the Corporation encourages local support of programs through the provision of either direct or matching resources. This emphasis on providing support directly to local programs reflects the Corporation's philosophy of decentralized program delivery to maximize the impact of its available resources.

During fiscal year 1997, previously expended Kellogg funds in the amount of \$194,000 were restored to the gift fund due to an audit determination that those expenditures were not allowable under our agreement with the W. K. Kellogg Foundation. Therefore, this amount was available during fiscal year 1997 for expenditure in addition to the \$384,200 beginning balance in Kellogg account.