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August 27, 1996

TO: Jerry Joiner, AmeriCorps Project Director, NRCS, Florida

FROM: Joel Berg, USDA Director of National Service *JB*

SUBJECT: Year-to-Date Data on Objectives and Member Forms

Attached is a "year-to-date" progress report showing accomplishments on objectives through the third quarter report. **This data, plus the fourth quarter data, will be provided to members of Congress representing your state and to your agency leaders. It is imperative that the information reflected in this report be as accurate as possible.** The report also shows the degree to which you have accomplished your objectives which were agreed to at the beginning of this program year.

I ask that you carefully review this report. Review each objective with the following items in mind:

1. **Accuracy of the data.** This information will be shared with many different groups, and it is important to be accurate in our reporting as well as getting credit for all the great work you have done during the year.

2. **Completion of community service objectives.** One way to determine the successful completion of objectives is to measure accomplishments against the target quantity measurement which you established at the beginning of the year. The table below gives you a snapshot picture of your accomplishments through the third quarter. The last five columns reflects your work measured against the target quantity.

SITE #	NUMBER OF OBJECTIVES	NUMBER OF OBJECTIVES EXCEEDED	NUMBER OF OBJECTIVES AT 100%	NUMBER OF OBJECTIVES 50-100% COMPLETE	NUMBER OF OBJECTIVES 0-50% COMPLETE	NO TARGET QUANTITY
Y12A*	6	4		1	1**	
Y12B	4	4	GREAT JOB!!!			

*site will not be renewed

**this was the primary objective

3. **Program codes.** Review the program code for each of your objectives. Please be sure that the data you are recording for quantity matches the quantity for that program code. If you are counting something other than the quantity measurement for the code, please indicate exactly what you are counting.

4. **Double counting.** Please do NOT double count your accomplishments. For example, your objectives one and two at site Y12B would appear to be the same work counted twice. If this is the case, you should eliminate objective two. If you are actually providing two different services, then leave the count as is..

5. **Congressional Districts.** Please indicate in which Congressional District(s) the work was actually accomplished. This will let us be very specific to Members of Congress as to what work was done in their district.

6. **Volunteers.** Please explain what the volunteers have done with your AmeriCorps members. Also ensure that the volunteer numbers you have been providing to us each quarter is for the quarter **only**, not cumulative for the year.

Your assistance in this reporting enables us to meet our legal obligations as well as providing us with the necessary information to promote our USDA AmeriCorps program to all interested parties. Providing this data in an accurate and timely manner is one of your most important duties as an AmeriCorps Project Director.

Member Forms

A review of your member forms show them up-to-date. Good job!

Submit the End of Term forms for members who have now completed their term of service.

If we are to have all our records in order and insure that those AmeriCorps Members who are entitled to benefits receive them and that those who are not entitled to benefits do not receive them, all forms must be submitted to this office. If you have previously submitted the forms requested above, please send in a copy of that form.

If you have any questions or problems, please contact Dee DiFiore at (202) 690-3051 or Ron DeMunbrun at (202) 690-3894.

Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

Attachment

cc:

Larry Holmes, AmeriCorps Program Manager, NRCS

State: FL

OP SITE: Y12A

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FIRST THREE QUARTERS' PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING ORIGINAL COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVES

BY STATE AND PROGRAM (OBJECTIVE) CODE

State	OP Site	Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact Statement	Year's QTY Target	QTY Unit of Measure	FIRST 3 QTR's Quantity	PERCENT COMPLETE
FL	Y12A		EN-E012A	Environmental education	600	students - educated	852	142.00 %
FL	Y12A		EN-E037A	GIS maps produced	2	maps	6	300.00 %
FL	Y12A	5	EN-E093A	Conduct groundwater resource assessments	170	assessments - water quality	252	148.24 %
FL	Y12A		EN-E098A	Outdated wells sealed	25	wells - sealed	23	92.00 %
FL	Y12A	2	EN-E111A	Provide technical assistance to # of landowners	150	landowners - assisted	296	197.33 %
FL	Y12A	1	EN-E118A	Conduct on-site outdoor water use audits	150	audits - water use	18	12.00 %

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FL	Y12B		EN-E012A	Environmental education	600	students - educated	950	158.33 %
FL	Y12B	5	EN-E093A	Conduct groundwater resource assessments	170	assessments - water quality	317	186.47 %
FL	Y12B	2	EN-E111A	Provide technical assistance to # of landusers	150	landowners - assisted	317	211.33 %
FL	Y12B	1	EN-E118A	Conduct on-site outdoor water use audits	150	audits - water use	317	211.33 %



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October 18, 1996

Subject: PER - AmeriCorps Fourth
Quarterly Report

File Code: 360

To: Joel Berg
Director of National Service
Washington, D.C.

Enclosed is the fourth quarterly report for the AmeriCorps projects in Dade and Duval counties.

Also enclosed are two letters of appreciation to the Jacksonville AmeriCorps Team for their involvement in the National Food Recovery Week with the Second Harvest Food Bank and for the Mobile Irrigation Lab services they provided.

Please note that this quarterly report does not reflect the final hours that will be served by the Duval County AmeriCorps Team. The Duval County AmeriCorps project did not start until November 12, 1995 and will not be complete until November 12, 1996. We will submit a final report for Duval County to show the total hours served by the AmeriCorps members when the project is complete.

If you have any questions, please call Ken Murray at (352) 338-9509.

Jerry R. Joiner
Assistant State Conservationist for Programs

Enclosure

cc: Frank Ellis, ASTC(FOO), Lake City, FL
Jim Piper, ASTC(FOO), Lake Worth, FL
Allen Moore, DC, Jacksonville, FL
Christine Coffin, DC, Homestead, FL



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USDA State Progress Report (CNS Grant No. 95ADFDC047)

1. Check this reporting period: ☐ First ☐ Second ☐ Third ☒ Fourth
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SECTION I - STATE INFORMATION

2. State: Florida
3. Agency: ARS ☐ NRCS ☒ Forest Service ☐ RECD ☐ FSA ☐ FCS ☐

SECTION II - STATE CONTACT INFORMATION: (Make Corrections if Necessary)

4. Contact Name: Jerry R Joiner
First Middle Last
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10. MEMBER DATA:

OP SITE ID: Y12A

Site Supervisor: Allen Moore

PHONE: 904-232-2871

Agency/Org Name: NRCS

FAX: 9047657172

STATE: FL

City: Jacksonville , FL

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 5

			HOURS									
Member Name			SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	1st Rpt	2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt	Total	
HOGSTEN	, ROBIN	C.		F	A	I	204	349	357	<u>361.5</u>	1270.5	910
JACKSON	, SHIRLEY	P.		F	A	I	71	382	255	<u>797.0</u>	1504.5	708
MILLINGTON	, MICHELLA	S.	(b)(6)	F	A	I	222	509	435	<u>534</u>	1700	1166
STILTNER	, STEPHEN	M.		F	A	I	204	461	479	<u>553.5</u>	1697	1144
TUKES	, RUTHENE	.		F	A	I	223	422	431	<u>491.5</u>	1519	1076

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10. MEMBER DATA:

OP SITE ID: Y12B

Site Supervisor: Doug Ulmer

PHONE: 305-242-1218

Agency/Org Name: NRCS

FAX: 3052421292

STATE: FL

City: Homestead, FL

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 5

			HOURS								Total	
Member Name		SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	1st Rpt	2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt			
CANTAVE	, LEONARD	.	F	A	I	280	440	460	<u>520</u>	1700	1180	—
ELLIS	, CATHERINE	M.	F	A	I	280	440	460	<u>520</u>	1700	1180	—
RESENDEZ	, ELIZABETH	.	F	A	I	280	440	460	<u>520</u>	1700	1180	—
VAL	, LAUDUN	P.	F	A	I	280	440	460	<u>520</u>	1700	1180	—
VASQUEZ	, LAURA	A.	F	A	I	280	440	460	<u>520</u>	1700	1180	—

11. Please list the total number of **volunteers** who took part in activities which were sponsored or organized by all the Members in the state during this period.

1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
_____	_____	_____	15	88

12. Please list the total number of **hours of community service** completed by the volunteers cited above during this period.

1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
_____	_____	_____	702	3963

SECTION IV - PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING SERVICE OBJECTIVES:

13. Original Community Service Objectives: Attached are sheets summarizing the community service objectives that were originally approved for each operating site. In cases where a single objective may take an entire year to complete, that objective may have a sub-objectives listed. **You need to fill in the column marked "4th QTR Quantity" and the column marked "4th QTR Success" --- as well as any column that is blank, has a zero, or has a question mark --- for EVERY operating site.** Each chart should have the following columns:

"State" - The standard two-letter code for your state

"Obj No" - Each community service objective for each site is assigned an individual number

"Op Site" - Each site's unique operating site identification

"PGM Code" - Each type of service has been assigned a unique code to describe that type of service. See the appendix to this report entitled "Community Service PGM Code List"

"Obj/Impact Statement" - A few words verbally summarizing the community service objective

"Year's QTY Target" - The year's numerical goal for the people or things to be aided

"Target Unit of Measurement" - The unit of measure used in the previous column

"4th QTR Quantity" - Provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's QTY Target"

"Year's Success Target" - Number for a way of measuring *quality* of service provided --- if this column is blank, has a question mark, or has a zero, please replace it with the accurate information

"Success Unit of Measure" - Explanation of the number in the previous column --- if this column is blank, has a question mark, or has a zero, please replace it with the accurate information

"4th QTR Success" - Provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's Success Target"

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(Under "4th QTR Quantity" enter the amount of work done in the fourth quarter. Do the same for "4th QTR Success".)

Remember, since this is the last or final report, there should be no objectives with a zero entered in quantity or success, if a zero was entered for the first Three quarters. (See your last quarterly report) If you have objectives that you could not do anything on please explain why.

State	OP Site	Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact Statement	Year's		4th QTR Quantity	Year's		4th QTR Success
					QTY Target	QTY Unit of Measure		Success Target	Success Unit of Measure	
FL	Y12A		EN-E037A	GIS maps produced	2	maps	1	90	% of maps used to implement actions	100%
FL	Y12A		EN-E098A	Outdated wells sealed	25	wells - sealed	5	90	% of landowners satisfied with service	100%
FL	Y12A		EN-E012A	Environmental education	600	students - educated	---	90	% of students with increased knowledge	---
FL	Y12A	1	EN-E118A	Conduct on-site outdoor water use audits	150	audits - water use	85	50	% decrease in water usage	36%
FL	Y12A	2	EN-E111A	Provide technical assistance to # of landowners	150	landowners - assisted	200	65	% of landowners making improvements	50%
FL	Y12A	5	EN-E093A	Conduct groundwater resource assessments	170	assessments - water quality	82	100	% of homeowners who make improvements	100%

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FL	Y12B	1	EN-E118A	Conduct on-site outdoor water use audits	150	audits - water use	158	50	% decrease in water usage	54%		
FL	Y12B	2	EN-E111A	Provide technical assistance to # of landusers	150	landowners - assisted	158	65	% of landowners making improvements	59%		
FL	Y12B	5	EN-E093A	Conduct groundwater resource assessments	170	assessments - water quality	---	65	% of landowners making improvements	---		

15. **Community Service Objectives Narrative (optional):** If you feel it is necessary and/or helpful, you may use this space to describe in more detail accomplishments towards the original community service objectives reported in question 13 and/or your additional community service objectives reported in question 14. Please make sure you include the Operating Site ID Number in each narrative description so we can be clear which accomplishment is matched to which site.

Y12A - Duval County The 118A objective has been slow to take off due to the newness of the program, but the team did accomplishment over 100% completion of the other five objectives. Although, of the 100+ requests we have received, 85 homeowners were provided Mobile Irrigation Lab (MIL) services which is a 472% increase from last quarter. Our MIL evaluations have given potential water savings of 159,416 gallons to clients per week.

Y12B - Dade County All objectives have been completed. Working with the Dade County Commissioners and homeowners and other institutions and associations has assisted in facilitating our team program.

16. **Community Building Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how projects have brought together diverse groups of people, empowered communities to solve their own problems, built long term structures that will last beyond each AmeriCorps Member's term of service, and generally improved the abilities of local citizens to help improve their own lives.

Y12A - Duval County The team is continuing to work with the Brownsfield Coalition, serving as a two way communication and educational link between the community and the Coalition to identify environmental issues and concerns.

Y12B - Dade County Working as a team of diverse individuals creates different ideas and resolutions to a problem. It has empowered our community to become more concerned about water conservation. Also, it has built a long-term structure in our personal lives by allowing us to communicate with different people of the community and their views.

17. **AmeriCorps Member Development Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how the AmeriCorps Members themselves have benefited from serving in the program, particularly in regard to expanding their own educational opportunity and increasing their own ethic of personal responsibility. Describe specific skills learned by Members through either their service or training. Describe any Members that earned a GED or otherwise advanced their education. Describe any Members that left public assistance to join AmeriCorps. Relate how AmeriCorps allowed Members to continue college or graduate school. Describe how Members may have changed their ethic of work, citizenship, or community volunteerism.

Y12A - Duval County The team has initiated a volunteer effort with the Second Harvest Bank in which they provided food for families by sorting 15,000 pounds of food equaling 11,252 meals. Two members received Total Quality Management (TQM) training at the Urban Resource Center in Jacksonville. Also several team members participated in the St. Johns River Water Management District Watershed Action Volunteer (WAV) Program where they collected and sampled 63 sites for water analysis.

Y12B - Dade County Members have learned specific skills through our service and training, such as organization, setting priorities, and encountering people with different personalities and views in the community as well as improving public relations. Technically, we have advanced in our computer skills, research skills and mathematical capabilities.

SECTION V - SUCCESS STORIES:

18. **Unique Successes or Great Stories :** Briefly describe one or two unique and/or exceptional success stories, a program highlight, or a 'great story' from your state. Please explain any instance in which AmeriCorps Members recruited non-AmeriCorps community volunteers for projects. Please include all media coverage, including original newspaper clips, videotapes of TV coverage, and cassette tapes of radio coverage; any letters of support or thank you letters; "before and after" photographs, brochures, posters, and newsletters created by the project; and other types of creative documentation.

Y12A - Duval County The team provided food for families by sorting 15,000 pounds of food which equaled 11,252 meals through a volunteer effort with the Second Harvest Food Bank.

Y12B - Dade County One of our exceptional success stories which included everyone in the team was when we accomplished twelve evaluations in one day. Also, two articles focusing on the AmeriCorps team have been published in the South Dade News Leader and The Miami Herald. The team created a brochure on AmeriCorps written in Spanish, English and Creole.

SECTION VI - CHALLENGES

19. **Difficulties Faced by the Program:** Use this section to report on any problems your Members have encountered in the program this period. These should be significant issues which were related to achieving objectives, significant delays in implementation, administrative problems, or any other expectations, events or incidents that have caused the Members concern. State the problem concisely and how the issue has, or has not been resolved. Be sure to outline the steps taken and identify any resources needed to assist in resolving the problem.

Y12A - Duval County Difficulties faced by the program are member absenteeism and internal conflicts. These concerns have been addressed.

Y12B - Dade County Problems have involved the lack of transportation to sites, incomplete equipment and public skepticism. However, we have overcome these minor difficulties.

SECTION V - GENERAL INFORMATION

20. **National Identity Activities (OPTIONAL):** Please describe any activities undertaken by Members that fostered the national identity of AmeriCorps. These could include joint service activities, meetings with other AmeriCorps projects, national telephone conference calls, use of Internet to communicate with other sites, etc.

Y12A - Duval County The AmeriCorps identity has been established to city officials by involvement in the Brownfields Coalition which is a cooperative effort of several agencies. Also, the public is becoming more aware of our program due to our numerous "on-site" visits through our work with the Coalition and MIL evaluations.

Y12B - Dade County Our participation with the Envirothon has helped to foster the identity of AmeriCorps. Coming in contact with many high school students gave us a chance to speak about our projects and about AmeriCorps in general.

21. **Organizational Changes:** Please outline and describe any changes in your program's organization and/or structure during the quarter.

Y12A - Duval County Although the Team Leader position was eliminated last quarter, we have implemented a two week rotation Team Scheduler. It has proved to work well.

Y12B - Dade County We have elected a Team Leader on a monthly rotation for better communication and coordination of the team activities.

22. **Organizational Improvements (OPTIONAL):** Please write any suggestions by you, your Members, site managers, or anyone else regarding ways in which the USDA or CNS AmeriCorps program could be improved.

Y12A - Duval County Regular team meetings were held that lead to scheduling efforts and conflict resolutions.

Y12B - Dade County Our AmeriCorps Team feels that USDA and the Corporation for National and Community Service could improve our program by creating a better public image for AmeriCorps.

23. **Primary Training and Technical Assistance Needs (OPTIONAL):** Please specify precisely what kind of staff or Member training or other technical assistance can be provided by USDA, the Corporation for National Service, or other sources to improve your projects.

Y12A - Duval County Due to the fact that the program is coming to an end soon, we feel that we have the training necessary to fulfill the remainder of our work on the Brownfields project and on the MIL evaluations.

Y12B - Dade County The Homestead AmeriCorps team feels that training or other technical assistance was adequate and provided the confidence needed to "get the job done."

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INTRODUCTION-FOURTH QUARTERLY REPORT

The AmeriCorps project in Homestead has been a complete success. From the beginning of the year we set our priorities and maintained a wide yet clear perspective of our goals. Urban water conservation has been our first concern. We received intensive training from several experts in different fields related to water conservation. Chris Mikler, author of the Urban Irrigation Evaluations Training Manual trained the team on performing irrigation evaluations. Ramon Santiago, NRCS Area Engineer from Lake Worth, Florida, trained the team to recognize different types of soils. Charles Yurgalevitch, Ph.D., of the Homestead Agricultural Mobile Irrigation Lab (MIL) has been our mentor from the beginning. This initial preparation was the first step to a productive year.

The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) recorded 728 billion gallons of water used in 1995. Over 50% of this water was for urban usage, the rest was for agriculture. Irrigation evaluations led homeowners to understand the efficiency of their system and provided them with recommendations on repairing and maintaining their systems to conserve water. After completing our goal of 300 evaluations and 150 follow-up evaluations, we can proudly take credit for over 20 million gallons of water saved in South Florida! That means saving more than \$675,732.00 dollars in Dade County. Along with irrigation evaluations, AmeriCorps has produced an indoor water conservation brochure in English, Spanish, and Creole. The brochure gives several ideas on saving water inside homes.

AmeriCorps has actively participated in other projects besides irrigation evaluations. The Water for South Florida Grant permitted us to work with school children of all ages. We were involved with over 2,000 Dade County students including Howdy Camp, a summer camp. All phases of environmental education were demonstrated by the MIL and AmeriCorps, including presentations of the "Drip and Drop" skit. What these students learned in one day will save them water and money through out a life time, even if they only remember to turn off their faucets while they are brushing their teeth.

Another project we are actively involved with is the Clean Organic Waste (C.O.W.) project. It is a two year compost project, funded by the Dade Solid Waste Department. There we remove some of the plastic, metal and glass from the compost product.

Participating within the community was evident in several of our activities. On April 23, 1996 a Tabebuia tree was planted in memory of the Oklahoma City bomb victims. Manuel Diaz Farms, a local nursery, generously donated the tree. We excavated the area for the six foot yellow trumpet tree. Many of the employees from the South Dade Government Center took part in this event. On July 13-14, AmeriCorps together with the MIL, managed by Dr. Charles Yurgalevitch hosted a booth at the Annual Ag Fiesta at the Fruit and Spice Park. There we promoted water conservation by distributing brochures and pamphlets. We are currently assisting the "National Food Recovery Week" and have collected over 2,500 pieces of clothing and canned goods to be donated to a local shelter, Community Partnership Shelter of Miami. Finally, we are proud to announce our approval for an AmeriCorps Mini grant. This will provide water saving devices for 150 cooperators.

Even though next year's continuation of this AmeriCorps is uncertain, we feel proud of the accomplishments for this team. We feel our mission will not end with AmeriCorps for what we learned this year is only the beginning to of a lifetime of progress in conserving our natural resources.

ABSTRACT

During the period of July 1 through September 30, 1996 the AmeriCorps Mobile Irrigation Lab performed 50 evaluations. Manual evaluations are performed on older systems unsuitable for pressure readings or harsh weather or irregular spacing that may prevent accurate uniformity readings. Of the 38 manual inspections, 15 were rated *excellent*, 17 were rated *good*, 2 were *fair* and 4 were *poor*. The remaining 12 audits were conducted using the catch-can method and taking pressure and flow readings, with 3 rating *excellent*, 5 rated *good*, 3 were *fair* and one *poor*. The catch-can ratings are derived from a computer program called Catch 3-D. refer to attached table. Suggestions made by the team helped home owners reduce watering time and costs. Owners are shown simple maintenance tips for their irrigation systems, such as removing debris and sand from the emitters with a needle. This eliminates costly charges by professional irrigation companies.

On August 30, 1996 Mr. Joel Berg, Director of AmeriCorps National Services for the USDA-NRCS, accompanied the team to an evaluation demonstration. It was a great opportunity to have an open communication with Mr. Berg and express our concerns and accomplishments. We appreciate his input and concern for the entire AmeriCorps programs.

September was an exciting month for our AmeriCorps team. First of all, our trip to Washington D.C. was productive and educational. We met many AmeriCorps team leaders within the USDA-NRCS. We received training on conducting meetings and resolving disagreements within the team. Mr. Larry Holmes and Urlene were very helpful and expressed their support for AmeriCorps projects. During the month of September we continued our clothes and food drive for the needy. To date, Homestead AmeriCorps collected over 2500 pieces of clothes and canned goods.

As the team completes our final hours for this term, we are confident that the AmeriCorps project will continue for many more years. We are proud to say that we helped our communities by saving 20 million gallons of water for Dade County, helping the needy, and educating students. The reward of helping our community is probably the biggest gain.

AMERICORPS IRRIGATION EVALUATIONS

July 1, 1996 - September 30, 1996

URBAN SYSTEM										
NO.		SITE	ACRES	SOIL	SOURCE	PROB.	DU%	CU%	RATING	PWS
AMC	244	TURF	0.5	15	CITY	L			EXCELLENT	
AMC	245	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	M,N			GOOD	
AMC	246	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	E			GOOD	
AMC	247	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	J			EXCELLENT	
AMC	248	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	L,N,J			GOOD	
AMC	249	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	I			EXCELLENT	
AMC	251	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	J,L,G			EXCELLENT	
AMC	252	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	J			GOOD	
AMC	253	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	J,G			EXCELLENT	
AMC	254	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	G,M			GOOD	
AMC	255	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	J,M			GOOD	
AMC	256	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	J			GOOD	
AMC	257	TURF	0.5	4	CITY	NONE			EXCELLENT	
AMC	258	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	N,G			EXCELLENT	
AMC	259	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	G,H			GOOD	
AMC	260	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	J,N,L,M,I			GOOD	
AMC	261	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	I			FAIR	
AMC	262	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	L,G,I			EXCELLENT	
AMC	263	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	L,G,I			GOOD	
AMC	264	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	J,G			GOOD	
AMC	265	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	N,G			GOOD	
AMC	266	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	N,G,J,M			FAIR	
AMC	267	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	L,J			GOOD	
AMC	268	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	G,J,I,M			FAIR	
AMC	269	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	I,L,M			FAIR	
AMC	270	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	NONE			EXCELLENT	
AMC	271	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	M,L			GOOD	
AMC	272	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	M,L			GOOD	
AMC	273	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	NONE			EXCELLENT	
AMC	274	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	M			EXCELLENT	
AMC	275	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	M			EXCELLENT	
AMC	276	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	L,N,E			POOR	
AMC	277	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	M,N			POOR	
AMC	278	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	L			EXCELLENT	
AMC	279	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	M			EXCELLENT	
AMC	280	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	J,N			GOOD	
AMC	281	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	M,N			GOOD	
AMC	282	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	M			GOOD	
AMC	292	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	J,N,I	72	83	GOOD	0.1
AMC	293	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	NONE	82	87	EXCELLENT	-
AMC	294	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	J,I	21	53	POOR	2
AMC	295	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	L,N,E			GOOD	
AMC	296	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	I,J			POOR	
AMC	297	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	NONE			EXCELLENT	
AMC	298	TURF	1	1	CITY	L			EXCELLENT	
AMC	299	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	D,J			GOOD	
AMC	300	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	J,D			FAIR	
AMC	301	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	L			POOR	
AMC	302	TURF	0.5	1	CITY	M,N			GOOD	
AMC	303	TURF	6.5	1	CITY	NONE			EXCELLENT	
TOTAL				31						

ECP/ACP - Evaluations

NO.		CROP	ACRES	PSI	GPM	SPACING	RESTORED
AMC	283	Avocado	10	14	4	67 X 55	YES
AMC	284	Avocado	20	24	5	65 X 55	YES
AMC	285	NONE	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	NO
AMC	286	NONE	10	N/A	N/A	N/A	NO
AMC	287	NONE	11	N/A	N/A	N/A	NO
AMC	288	NONE	20	N/A	N/A	N/A	NO
AMC	289	Avocado	10	22	8	65 X 64	YES
AMC	290	Avocado	10	*	N/A	60 X 47	YES
AMC	291	NONE	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	NO
TOTAL			96				

TABLE 7 - PROBLEMS

<u>CODE</u>	<u>EXPLANATION TO PROBLEMS</u>
<i>Design/Pressure Variation</i>	
a	Under-sized pump for number and type of sprinkler heads
b	Under-sized pipe creating excessive friction losses
c	Excessive pressure variation
d	Low pressure in laterals and sprinklers
e	Poor overlap due to wide sprinkler spacing
<i>Improper Retrofit</i>	
f	Sprinklers with different flow rates in the same zone
g	Sprinklers from different manufacturers in the same zone
h	Various riser heights in same zone
<i>Installation</i>	
i	Missing/malfunctioning emitters or sprinklers
<i>Maintenance</i>	
j	Breaks and cuts in the laterals, lines or hoses
k	Clogged filter or filter screens
l	Clogged emitters or sprinklers
m	Stream of water blocked by vegetation
n	Sprinkler heads not properly adjusted
<i>Operation</i>	
o	Mechanical difficulties in operation
p	Wind distortion of uniformity
q	System used for frost protection only
<i>Scheduling</i>	
r	Operating time too long
s	Operating time too short



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August 26, 1996

Allen Moore
District Conservationist
Natural Resources Conservation Service
U.S. Department of Agriculture
5542 Duim Avenue
Jacksonville, FL 32218

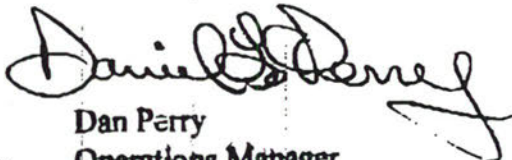
Dear Mr. Moore,

Topic: AmeriCorps National Week of Food Recovery

Thank you for the wonderful volunteer services the Americorp group provided during National Food Recovery Week for the LSS-Second Harvest Food Bank. The Food Bank provides food to non-profit organizations that has qualified feeding programs. To do this, we must solicit food from donors and the food must be sorted. This is where volunteers are needed the most to sort this product. In the past five days Tina Tukes, Shirley Jackson and Robin Hogsten sorted 15,000 pounds of food, that equals to 11,252 meals. Can you imagine that many meals, enough food to feed an army!

Again, thanks to Tina Tukes, Shirley Jackson and Robin Hogsten of USDA/NRCS Americorp of Jacksonville, Florida in conjunction with the City of Jacksonville Ground Water Division for selecting the LSS-Second Harvest Food Bank as one of their volunteer projects. The volunteers were absolutely fabulous!

Sincerely,


Dan Perry
Operations Manager

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DR. STANLEY & JOYCE YAMANE

8609 Autumn Green Drive
Jacksonville, FL 32256-9560
Phone: (904) 464-0777

September 17, 1996

USDA/AmeriCorps
5542 Dunn Avenue
Jacksonville, FL 32218
Attn: Mr. Allen Moore

Dear Mr. Moore:

This is late in coming but we did want to thank you for sending Stephen and Tina out to our home to check on our usage of water in our yard.

We have brought down the time of use as recommended but being that it has been so hot and that we have not had too much rain has not improved our record so much.

Anyway, we are trying to be more conservative outside and inside because we know how precious clean water is to our planet.

Thank you again and I hope more people take advantage of your services.

Mahalo,


Joyce M. Yamane



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USDA State Progress Report (CNS Grant No. 95ADFDC047)

1. Check this reporting period: ☐ First ☐ Second ☒ Third ☐ Fourth
(10/1 - 12/31) (1/1 - 3/31) (4/1 - 6/30) (7/1 - 9/30)

SECTION I - STATE INFORMATION

2. State: Florida
3. Agency: ARS ☐ NRCS ☒ Forest Service ☐ RECD ☐ FSA ☐ FCS ☐

SECTION II - STATE CONTACT INFORMATION: (Make Corrections if Necessary)

4. Contact Name: Jerry Joiner Last
5. Title: Federal Bldg, Rm 248
401 S.E. 1st Ave
Gainesville, FL 32601
6. Address: 2614 Nw 43rd Street
street, number, and PO (if applicable)
- Gainesville FL 32606
City State Zip
7. Telephone number: 3 5 2 - 3 3 8 - 9 5 0 9
8. Fax number: 3 5 2 - 3 3 8 - 9 5 7 8
9. E-Mail Address (if any): _____

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10. MEMBER DATA:

OP SITE ID: Y12A

Site Supervisor: Allen Moore

PHONE: 904-232-2871

Agency/Org Name: NRCS

FAX: 9047657172

STATE: FL

City: Jacksonville, FL

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 5

			HOURS							Total
Member Name		SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	1st Rpt	2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt	
HOGSTEN, ROBIN	C.		F	A	A	204	349	<u>357</u>		553
JACKSON, SHIRLEY	P.		F	A	A	71	382	<u>254.5</u>		453
MILLINGTON, MICHELLA	S.	(b)(6)	F	A	A	222	509	<u>434.5</u>		731
STILTNER, STEPHEN	M.		F	A	A	204	461	<u>478.5</u>		665
TUKES, RUTHENE	.		F	A	A	223	422	<u>430.5</u>		645
Total Hours:										3047

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- * The number of Members allocated should equal the number of active members, those members whose trust status is "A" and whose Program Status is "A". If your report shows five members with "A" "A" status and yet you only have four active members, this means you have not submitted an end of term of service form for the member for the member who is no longer active. Conversely, if your report shows five members with an "A" "A" status and you actually have six members active, you have not submitted an enrollment form for the active member whose name is not shown on this report. If that is the case, list the names, SSN, Status and hours of the missing members on this sheet and send the enrollment forms to the USDA Director of National Service. If enrollment form was sent directly to the Corporation, send copies to the USDA Director of National Service immediately. If you have replaced members be certain to indicate whether the replacements are full or part-time [NOTE: The USDA Director of National Service must approve conversion of full-time slots to part-time slots IN ADVANCE.]

REMEMBER, MEMBERS WHOSE FORMS HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED AT USDA ARE NOT CONSIDERED ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM AND THEIR BENEFITS (EDUCATION AWARD, ETC.) ARE JEOPARDIZED!!!

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10. MEMBER DATA:

OP SITE ID: Y12B

Site Supervisor: Doug Ulmer

PHONE: 305-242-1218

Agency/Org Name: NRCS

FAX: 3052421292

STATE: FL

City: Homestead, FL

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 5

			HOURS							Total
Member Name		SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	1st Rpt	2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt	
CANTAVE	, LEONARD	.	F	A	A	280	440	<u>460</u>		720
ELLIS	, CATHERINE	M.	F	A	A	280	440	<u>460</u>		720
RESENDEZ	, ELIZABETH	.	F	A	A	280	440	<u>460</u>		720
VAL	, LAUDUN	P.	F	A	A	280	440	<u>460</u>		720
VASQUEZ	, LAURA	A.	F	A	A	280	440	<u>460</u>		720
Total Hours:										3600

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11. Please list the total number of **volunteers** who took part in activities which were sponsored or organized by all the Members in the state during this period.

1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
_____	_____	15	_____	39

12. Please list the total number of **hours of community service** completed by the volunteers cited above during this period.

1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
_____	_____	755	_____	1758

SECTION IV - PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING SERVICE OBJECTIVES:

13. Original Community Service Objectives: Attached are sheets summarizing the community service objectives that were originally approved for each operating site. In cases where a single objective may take an entire year to complete, that objective may have a sub-objectives listed. **You need to fill in the column marked "3rd QTR Quantity" and the column marked "3rd QTR Success" --- as well as any column that is blank, has a zero, or has a question mark --- for EVERY operating site.** Each chart should have the following columns:

"State" - The standard two-letter code for your state

"Obj No" - Each community service objective for each site is assigned an individual number

"Op Site" - Each site's unique operating site identification

"PGM Code" - Each type of service has been assigned a unique code to describe that type of service. See the appendix to this report entitled "Community Service PGM Code List"

"Obj/Impact Statement" - A few words verbally summarizing the community service objective

"Year's QTY Target" - The year's numerical goal for the people or things to be aided

"Target Unit of Measurement" - The unit of measure used in the previous column

"3rd QTR Quantity" - Provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's QTY Target"

"Year's Success Target" - Number for a way of measuring *quality* of service provided --- if this column is blank, has a question mark, or has a zero, please replace it with the accurate information

"Success Unit of Measure" - Explanation of the number in the previous column --- if this column is blank, has a question mark, or has a zero, please replace it with the accurate information

"3rd QTR Success" - Provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's Success Target"

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QUESTION 13. PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING ORIGINAL COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVES

(Under "3rd QTR Quantity" enter the amount of work done in the third quarter. Do the same for "3rd QTR Success".)

State	OP Site	Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact Statement	Year's QTY Target	QTY Unit of Measure	3rd QTR Quantity	Year's Success Target	Success Unit of Measure	3rd QTR Success
FL	Y12A		EN-E037A	GIS maps produced	2	maps	4	90	% of maps used to implement actions	90%
FL	Y12A		EN-E098A	Outdated wells sealed	25	wells - sealed	5	90	% of landowners satisfied with service	100%
FL	Y12A		EN-E012A	Environmental education	600	students - educated	832	90	% of students with increased knowledge	90%
FL	Y12A	1	EN-E118A	Conduct on-site outdoor water use audits	150	audits - water use	15	50	% decrease in water usage	37%
FL	Y12A	2	EN-E111A	Provide technical assistance to # of landowners	150	landowners - assisted	252	65	% of landowners making improvements	40%
FL	Y12A	5	EN-E093A	Conduct groundwater resource assessments	170	assessments - water quality	63	100	% of homeowners who make improvements	100%

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QUESTION 13. PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING ORIGINAL COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVES

(Under "3rd QTR Quantity" enter the amount of work done in the third quarter. Do the same for "3rd QTR Success".)

State	OP Site	Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact Statement	Year's QTY Target	Unit of Measure	3rd QTR Quantity	Year's Success Target	Success Unit of Measure	3rd QTR Success
FL	Y12B		EN-E012A	Environmental education	600	students - educated	750	90	% of students with increased knowledge	18%
FL	Y12B	1	EN-E118A	Conduct on-site outdoor water use audits	150	audits - water use	158	50	% decrease in water usage	54%
FL	Y12B	2	EN-E111A	Provide technical assistance to # of landusers	150	landowners - assisted	158	65	% of landowners making improvements	59%
FL	Y12B	5	EN-E093A	Conduct groundwater resource assessments	170	assessments - water quality	158	65	% of landowners making improvements	59%

14. PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVES

Use this section to report progress towards completing additional new objectives --- those objectives in addition to the main objectives of each project listed on the proceeding page. Please fill in all columns for all objectives. It is important to make sure that each objective is listed with its own "OP site" (Operating site) code; this ensures that we know precisely what service is performed at each site. Please fill in all columns for each objective. Under "Obj No.," please give each new objective a number different from the number used for any of the objectives on the proceeding page. Under "PGM Code", please use a one-letter and three-digit code to describe the service from the code list provided at the end of this report. Under "Obj/Impact statement," provide a several-word summary of the nature of the service project -- this verbal summary should roughly match the "PGM Code" listed in the previous column. Under "Year's QTY Target," provide a hard number for the people or things aided. Under "Target Unit of Measurement," specify what unit of measure was used in the previous column -- such as miles, number of people served, acres, etc. Under "1st QTR Quantity," provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's QTY Target" that was accomplished during this reporting period. Under "Year's Success Target," provide a hard number for a way of measuring how well the service was provided. Under "Successes Unit of Measure," specify exactly what the number in the previous column meant. Under "1st QTR Success," provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's Success Target" that was accomplished during this reporting period.

State	Op Site Measure	Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact statement	Year's QTY		Year's Success		Unit of
					Target	QTY	1st QTR Quantity	Success Target	

{SAMPLE:}

CA	Y05A	18	EN96	Constrcuting whale nesting boxes	3	Boxes	1	90	%
	meeting stand.	95%							

15. **Community Service Objectives Narrative (optional):** If you feel it is necessary and/or helpful, you may use this space to describe in more detail accomplishments towards the original community service objectives reported in question 13 and/or your additional community service objectives reported in question 14. Please make sure you include the Operating Site ID Number in each narrative description so we can be clear which accomplishment is matched to which site.

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E012A - This objective was a major priority this quarter in keeping with the request from the Chief of NRCS. E118A - This objective has been slow to take off due to the newness of the program in the area. Concerted efforts have been to promote it as a result of the promotion there is now a backlog of approximately 100 requests. E111A - This objective was a major focus this quarter. The AmeriCorps Team played a major role in the Brownsfield coalition which is a multiagency program designed to achieve environmental justice in blighted urban areas. The AmeriCorps Team made contacts with local residents in order to educate them about groundwater contamination from unused wells. Unused wells were located with the assistance of these local residents and then were slated for proper well plugging.

16. **Community Building Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how projects have brought together diverse groups of people, empowered communities to solve their own problems, built long term structures that will last beyond each AmeriCorps Member's term of service, and generally improved the abilities of local citizens to help improve their own lives.

Y12A - Duval County

The AmeriCorps Team is working with the Brownsfield Coalition serving as a two way communication and educational link between the community and the coalition to identify environmental issues and concerns. The Team is working to educate the public on outdoor water conservation, via mobile irrigation evaluations. The testing of water at home sites for saltwater intrusion is welcomed by the community. The AmeriCorps Team meet a variety of concerned citizens and answer questions concerning the quality of their drinking water and what they can do to help themselves.

Y12B - Dade County

This project has brought together diverse groups of people and empowered communities.

17. **AmeriCorps Member Development Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how the AmeriCorps Members themselves have benefited from serving in the program, particularly in regard to expanding their own educational opportunity and increasing their own ethic of personal responsibility. Describe specific skills learned by Members through either their service or training. Describe any Members that earned a GED or otherwise advanced their education. Describe any Members that left public assistance to join AmeriCorps. Relate how AmeriCorps allowed Members to continue college or graduate school. Describe how Members may have changed their ethic of work, citizenship, or community volunteerism.

Y12A - Duval County

Team members learned how to test water in the surrounding area for dissolved oxygen, Ph, Chloride and salinity for the St. Johns River Water Management District. Members of the team were trained on what to do in case of a hurricane to assist the community. Contamination training was given on how to recognize it, what to do or not to do and who to call in the Brownsfield Project area.

Y12B - Dade County

AmeriCorps members have benefited from serving in the program, particularly expanding our educational opportunity and increasing our own ethic of personal responsibility.

SECTION V - SUCCESS STORIES:

18. **Unique Successes or Great Stories :** Briefly describe one or two unique and/or exceptional success stories, a program highlight, or a 'great story' from your state. Please explain any instance in which AmeriCorps Members recruited non-AmeriCorps community volunteers for projects. Please include all media coverage, including original newspaper clips, videotapes of TV coverage, and cassette tapes of radio coverage; any letters of support or thank you letters; "before and after" photographs, brochures, posters, and newsletters created by the project; and other types of creative documentation.

Y12A - Duval County

See attached news release on the Mobile Irrigation Lab Program in addition to pertinent fliers and a letter of appreciation from a recent client.

SECTION VI - CHALLENGES

19. **Difficulties Faced by the Program:** Use this section to report on any problems your Members have encountered in the program this period. These should be significant issues which were related to achieving objectives, significant delays in implementation, administrative problems, or any other expectations, events or incidents that have caused the Members concern. State the problem concisely and how the issue has, or has not been resolved. Be sure to outline the steps taken and identify any resources needed to assist in resolving the problem.

Y12A - Duval County

Major difficulties that affect this particular program are member absenteeism, documentation of accomplishments by members and occasional conflicts between members. These concerns/problems have been discussed with all members and steps have been implemented to address them if they are not corrected.

SECTION V - GENERAL INFORMATION

20. **National Identity Activities (OPTIONAL):** Please describe any activities undertaken by Members that fostered the national identity of AmeriCorps. These could include joint service activities, meetings with other AmeriCorps projects, national telephone conference calls, use of Internet to communicate with other sites, etc.

21. **Organizational Changes:** Please outline and describe any changes in your program's organization and/or structure during the quarter.

Y12A - Duval County

Team leader position has been eliminated to streamline reporting and scheduling process.

22. **Organizational Improvements (OPTIONAL):** Please write any suggestions by you, your Members, site managers, or anyone else regarding ways in which the USDA or CNS AmeriCorps program could be improved.

Y12B - Dade County

Our AmeriCorps team feels that USDA or the Corporation for National Service (CNS) could improve our program by creating a better public image for AmeriCorps. We as well need to include our efforts.

23. **Primary Training and Technical Assistance Needs (OPTIONAL):** Please specify precisely what kind of staff or Member training or other technical assistance can be provided by USDA, the Corporation for National Service, or other sources to improve your projects.

{END OF REPORT}

During the period from April 1 through June 30, 1996, the AmeriCorps Mobile Irrigation Lab performed 158 evaluations, of which 107 were manual. Manual evaluations are mainly performed on older systems unsuitable for pressure readings or harsh weather conditions which may prevent accurate final readings. Of the 107 manual inspections, 61 rated *excellent*, 33 were *good*, 12 were *fair* and one was *poor*. The remaining 51 audits were conducted using the catch-can method, with 15 rating *excellent*, 11 rated *good*, seven were *fair* and 17 rated *poor*. The catch-can ratings are derived from a computer program called Catch 3-D. The catch-can method provides cooperators with more accurate uniformity readings, while the manual provides specific locations of problems in their systems. A Potential Water Savings (PWS) was calculated from the Distribution Uniformity tests. Fifty one systems evaluated through the catch-can method indicated that 16,906,000 gallons could be saved! For these savings to be realized, home owners must be informed of their systems performance and make recommended changes, (refer to attached table 6). Suggestions by the team helped home owners reduce repair costs. Owners are shown simple maintenance tips for their irrigation systems, like removing debris and sand from the emitters with a needle. This eliminates costly charges from professional irrigation companies. Preparing a list of local irrigation suppliers is also appreciated by homeowners. We do not recommend any irrigation company, but do inform cooperators of what companies are available in their area.

AmeriCorps is not limited to performing irrigation evaluations. Our involvement with the community has motivated the team's spirit. The Oklahoma City Bomb Victims were memorialized with a tree planting, at the South Dade Government Center. The ceremony was shared with many Government Center employees. Manuel Diaz Farms, one of our local growers, donated a yellow trumpet tree, (*Tabebuia*). The tree's yellow trumpet flowers represent a prayer for each life lost in the tragedy. AmeriCorps has actively assisted the MIL (Mobile Irrigation Lab) with the Water For South Florida presentations at Dade County Schools 750 students have benefited. AmeriCorps members are involved in other community services such as volunteering with inner-city youth programs and distributing water saving brochures.

On July 13-14, AmeriCorps together with the MIL, managed by Dr. Charles Yurgalevitch, will host a booth at the annual Ag Fiesta at the Fruit and Spice Park. We will be distributing brochures with water conservation recommendations. AmeriCorps will display our accomplishments with samples of completed irrigation reports. On July 15, two selected AmeriCorps members, Elizabeth Resendiz and Pascal Val will travel to the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico to meet with other AmeriCorps coordinators. The entire team is looking forward to bringing positive insights to our hosts.

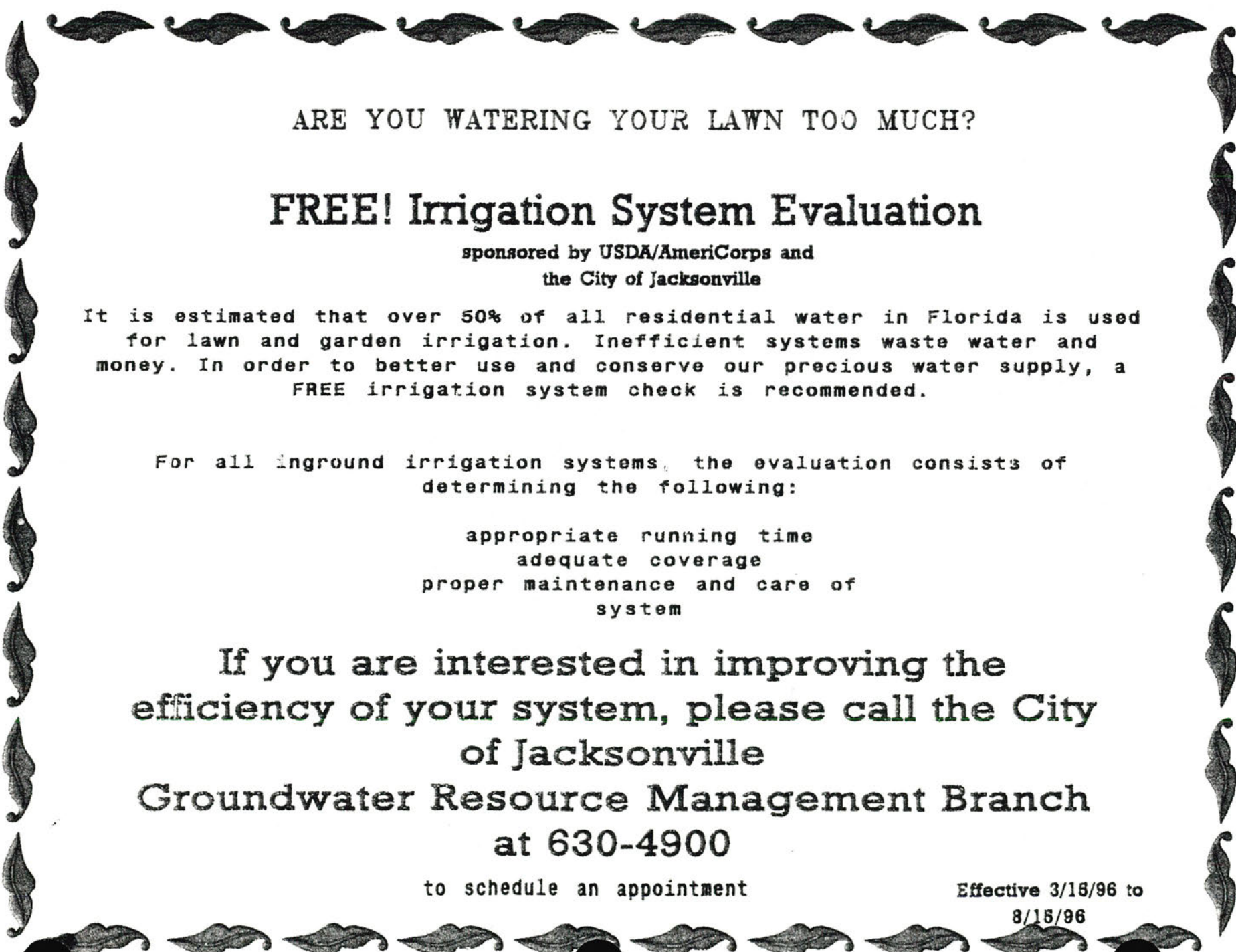
With Doug Ulmer's departure, the team feels a sense of sadness, but proudly congratulates his success. Doug has given us trust and positive reinforcement on our daily tasks. We will miss Doug, but we plan to continue our hard work with our next supervisor. Hopefully, our accomplishments will help ensure the continuance of the Homestead AmeriCorps, not just for ourselves but others who will follow.

National Day of Service Celebrated

On April 23, 1996, the National Day of Service was celebrated by the Duval County USDA/AmeriCorps team by planting 50 Crepe Myrtle trees throughout the Jacksonville area. These trees were planted to commemorate the victims of the Oklahoma City bombing tragedy. Other AmeriCorps teams across the nation participated in similar activities today and on April 19th, the anniversary of the bombing.

The Duval County team enlisted the help of several area agencies in obtaining the trees and the needed sites and materials. The trees were donated for this project through the "Green it Up, Clean it Up" campaign initiated by Mayor John Delaney. Tool and mulch were supplied by the City of Jacksonville. The Department of Forestry assisted with planting techniques and watering.

Over thirty trees were planted in front of the HabiJax homes on Palmetto Ave, after the area had been cleared of trash and tires. These trees will be cared for by the residents, instilling pride in their community. The remainder of the 50 trees were planted in the downtown area on Prudential Dr. in front the River City Brewing parking lot and in between the Science and History Museum and the Main Street Bridge. These trees will add to the beauty of downtown Jacksonville that can be viewed by locals and tourists alike.



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It is estimated that over 50% of all residential water in Florida is used for lawn and garden irrigation. Inefficient systems waste water and money. In order to better use and conserve our precious water supply, a FREE irrigation system check is recommended.

For all inground irrigation systems, the evaluation consists of determining the following:

appropriate running time
adequate coverage
proper maintenance and care of
system

If you are interested in improving the
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Groundwater Resource Management Branch
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- Adequate coverage
- Proper maintenance and care of the system

If you are interested in improving the efficiency of your system, please call the City of Jacksonville Groundwater Resource Management Branch at 630-4900 or the USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Service at 232-2870

to schedule an appointment.

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AmeriCorps *USA

USDA State Progress Report (CNS Grant No. 95ADFDC047)

1. Check this reporting period: ☐ First ☒ Second ☐ Third ☐ Fourth
(10/1 - 12/31) (1/1 - 3/31) (4/1 - 6/30) (7/1 - 9/30)

SECTION I - STATE INFORMATION

2. State: Florida

3. Agency: ARS ☐ NRCS ☒ Forest Service ☐ RECD ☐ FSA ☐ FCS ☐

SECTION II - STATE CONTACT INFORMATION:

(Make Corrections if Necessary)

4. Contact Name: - Jerry Joiner
NRCS
401 S.E. 1st Ave
Gainesville FL 32601
Last

5. Title: _____

6. Address: 2614 NW 43rd Street

street, number, and PO (if applicable)

Gainesville

FL

32606

City

State

Zip

7. Telephone number: 3 5 2 - 3 3 8 - 9 5 0 9

8. Fax number: 3 5 2 - 3 3 8 - 9 5 7 8

9. E-Mail Address (if any) : _____

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10. MEMBER DATA: ✓

OP SITE ID: Y12A

Site Supervisor: Allen Moore

PHONE: 904-232-2871

STATE: FL

Agency/Org Name: NRCS

FAX: 9047657172

City: Jacksonville, FL

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 5

Member Name			SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	HOURS				Total
							1st Rpt	2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt	
HOGSTEN	, ROBIN	C.		F	A	A	204	<u>349</u>			204
JACKSON	, SHIRLEY	P.		F	A	A	71	<u>382</u>			71
MILLINGTON	, MICHELLA	S.	(b)(6)	F	A	A	222	<u>509</u>			222
STILTNER	, STEPHEN	M.		F	A	A	204	<u>461</u>			204
TUKES	, RUTHENE	.		F	A	A	223	<u>422</u>			223

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10. MEMBER DATA:

OP SITE ID: Y12B

Site Supervisor: Doug Ulmer

PHONE: 305-242-1218

STATE: FL

Agency/Org Name: NRCS

FAX: 3052421292

City: Homestead, FL

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 5

Member Name			SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	1st Rpt	HOURS				Total
								2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt		
CANTAVE	, LEONARD	.		F	A	A	280	<u>440</u>				720
ELLIS	, CATHERINE	M.		F	A	A	280	<u>440</u>				720
RESENDEZ	, ELIZABETH	.	(b)(6)	F	A	A	280	<u>440</u>				720
VAL	, LAUDUN	P.		F	A	A	280	<u>440</u>				720
VASQUEZ	, LAURA	A.		F	A	A	280	<u>440</u>				720

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						2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt	

Total Hours: 924

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 5

No. of Active Members Whose Enrollment Forms were recieved at USDA (not including terminations): 5

No. of Members for Whom Forms Have NOT Been Recieved*: 0

ENTER the number of vacancies that you intend to fill in the next reporting period: 0

ENTER the number of vacancies you intend to relinquish for the program year: 0

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REMEMBER, MEMBERS WHOSE FORMS HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED AT USDA ARE NOT CONSIDERED ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM AND THEIR BENEFITS (EDUCATION AWARD, ETC.) ARE JEOPARDIZED!!!

If the number of members for whom forms have been received is greater than the number of members allocated resulting in a negative number appearing in the "No. of Members for Whom Forms Have NOT Been Received" line, you have enrolled more members in your program than authorized. Please explain this over enrollment. It may be that some members have terminated, in which case, change their status on this form and submit the proper end of term of service form to the USDA Director of National Service.

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Member Name	SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	1st Rpt	HOURS			Total	
						2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt		
Total Hours:									1400	

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 5

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SECTION III - MEMBER DATA:

9. Attached are sheets concerning AmeriCorps Member data. The first type of Member Data sheet lists each Member, by operating site, for whom the USDA Office of National Service has received at least a Member enrollment form. The sheet will also list the number of slots allotted to that site and the number of enrollment forms received by the Department; you will need to fill in the number of Members actually enrolled. The sheets give the Member's name, social security number, and enrollment status. Please review the data and check for:

- a. Correct spelling of the name;
- b. Accuracy of the Social Security Number;
- c. Service type (F= Full-time member; P= Part-time member);
- d. Program Status (A = Active; C = Completed; E = Ended Service Early)*
- e. Trust Status (A = Earning Award; B = Earned Award; C = Did Not Earn Award; D = On Hold by the Corporation for National Service; E = Under Review).

Alongside each name, give the total number of hours served (includes training time) by the Member this reporting period. Do this even if the Member has terminated during the reporting period. For Members who are on the list but have terminated or had their service type or status changed, just cross out the old status and print the new one alongside it. Make your corrections directly on this sheet and submit it along with the other portions of your progress report.

The second type of Member Data sheets give an Operating Site ID number and the name of the site supervisor but has no Member names listed. That is because the USDA Office of National Service has not received Enrollment forms for **any** Members from these sites. Please print the necessary information for each member on the appropriate sheet and submit an Enrollment form to the Department. If a Member began service but terminated, we still need a form for that person --- indicates their status as terminated. Also note whether or not the site sent the enrollment form directly to the Corporation for National Service. It is hoped that by now everyone understands that all forms (except health and child care) should come directly to the USDA Director of National Service and NOT--- repeat NOT --- the Corporation for National Service.

REMEMBER:

- a. ALL members should be listed even though they only served a few days. If an enrollment form was submitted for a Member who then terminates either by officially notifying you or simply by walking away from the program, an End of Term of Service Form MUST be submitted for the Member.
- b. If Members are serving at an operating site and their name does not appear on the list for that site, first check to see if the Member is listed under a different operating site; if not, then an Enrollment Form must be submitted so the person can be enrolled in the program.
- c. List all the hours a Member served during the reporting period regardless if they terminated or if they started in the middle of the period.

11. Please list the total number of **volunteers** who took part in activities which were sponsored or organized by all the Members in the state during this period.

1st Qtr. 2nd Qtr. 3rd Qtr. 4th Qtr. Total
11 13 24

12. Please list the total number of **hours of community service** completed by the volunteers cited above during this period.

1st Qtr. 2nd Qtr. 3rd Qtr. 4th Qtr. Total
470 533 1003

SECTION IV - PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING SERVICE OBJECTIVES:

13. **Original Community Service Objectives:** Attached are sheets summarizing the community service objectives that were originally approved for each operating site. In cases where a single objective may take an entire year to complete, that objective may have a sub-objectives listed. **You need to fill in the column marked "1st QTR Quantity" and the column marked "1st QTR Success" --- as well as any column that is blank, has a zero, or has a question mark --- for EVERY operating site.** Each chart should have the following columns:

"State" - The standard two-letter code for your state

"Obj No" - Each community service objective for each site is assigned an individual number

"Op Site" - Each site's unique operating site identification

"PGM Code" - Each type of service has been assigned a unique code to describe that type of service. See the appendix to this report entitled "Community Service PGM Code List"

"Obj/Impact Statement" - A few words verbally summarizing the community service objective

"Year's QTY Target" - The year's numerical goal for the people or things to be aided

"Target Unit of Measurement" - The unit of measure used in the previous column

"1st QTR Quantity" - Provide a **hard number** indicating progress towards the "Year's QTY Target"

"Year's Success Target" - Number for a way of measuring *quality* of service provided --- if this column is blank, has a question mark, or has a zero, please replace it with the accurate information

"Success Unit of Measure" - Explanation of the number in the previous column --- if this column is blank, has a question mark, or has a zero, please replace it with the accurate information

"1st QTR Success" - Provide a **hard number** indicating progress towards the "Year's Success Target"

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QUESTION 13. PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING ORIGINAL COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVES

(Fill in All Blank Columns or Those with Question Marks. Use the Attached Blank Form to Enter New Objectives.)

As you are aware, one of the key pieces of information you are to provide with this 2nd QTR progress report is whether or not you intend to renew this site for the next program year beginning approximately Sept/Oct 1996. If you intend to renew this site for the next program year, indicate whether the objectives listed below will remain the same for the next year's program. If they will remain the same write OK next to them, if one will be not be an objective to be performed at this site for next year, write the word DELETE next to it. If you are proposing one or more new objectives for this site identify them using the format attached to question 14. You may write them on this sheet (be sure to include quantity and quality measures) or you may use a separate piece of paper BUT be certain you clearly identify the operating site to which they belong.

State	OP Site	Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact Statement	Year's		2 nd QTR		Year's		2 nd QTR	
					QTY Target	QTY Unit of Measure	Quantity	Success Target	Success Unit of Measure	Success		
FL	Y12A	1 ^{OK}	EN-E118	Conduct on-site outdoor water use audits	150	audits	3	50	% decrease in water usage	30%		
FL	Y12A	2 ^{OK}	EN-E111	Provide technical assistance to # of landowners	150	landusers	44	65	% of landowners making improvements	50%		
FL	Y12A	5 ^{delete}	EN-E093	Conduct groundwater resource assessments	170	assessment	138	100	% of homeowners who make improvements	100%		

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					QTY Target	QTY Unit of Measure		Success Target	Success Unit of Measure	
FL	Y12B	10 ^{ok}	EN-E118	Conduct on-site outdoor water use audits	150	audits	84	50	% decrease in water usage	58%
FL	Y12B	2 ^{ok}	EN-E111	Provide technical assistance to # of landusers	150	landusers	84	65	% of landowners making improvements	69%
FL	Y12B	5 ^{delete}	EN-E093	Conduct groundwater resource assessments	170	assessment	84	65	% of landowners making improvements	69%

14. PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVES

Use this section to report progress towards completing additional new objectives --- those objectives in addition to the main objectives of each project listed on the proceeding page. Please fill in all columns for all objectives. It is important to make sure that each objective is listed with its own "OP site" (Operating site) code; this ensures that we know precisely what service is performed at each site. Please fill in all columns for each objective. Under "Obj No.," please give each new objective a number different from the number used for any of the objectives on the proceeding page. Under "PGM Code", please use a one-letter and three-digit code to describe the service from the code list provided at the end of this report. Under "Obj/Impact statement," provide a several-word summary of the nature of the service project -- this verbal summary should roughly match the "PGM Code" listed in the previous column. Under "Year's QTY Target," provide a hard number for the people or things aided. Under "Target Unit of Measurement," specify what unit of measure was used in the previous column -- such as miles, number of people served, acres, etc. Under "1st QTR Quantity," provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's QTY Target" that was accomplished during this reporting period. Under "Year's Success Target," provide a hard number for a way of measuring how well the service was provided. Under "Successes Unit of Measure," specify exactly what the number in the previous column meant. Under "1st QTR Success," provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's Success Target" that was accomplished during this reporting period.

State	Op Site	Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact statement	Year's QTY Target	QTY Unit of Measure	1st QTR Quantity	Year's Success Target	Success Unit of Measure	1st QTR Success
{SAMPLE:}										
CA	Y05A	18	EN96	Constrcuting whale nesting boxes	3	Boxes	1	90	% meeting stand.	95%
FL	Y12A		E037	GIS maps produced	2	Maps	2	90	%used	90% ✓
FL	Y12A		E012	Envir. Ed. Presen.	600	#Students	20	90	%students show- ing improvement	90% ✓
FL	Y12A		E098	Outdated wells sealed	25	#Wells plugged	18	100	%plugged	90% ✓
FL	Y12B		E012	Envir. Ed. Presen.	600	# of Students	200	85	%students show- ing improvement	90% ✓

15. **Community Service Objectives Narrative (optional):** If you feel it is necessary and/or helpful, you may use this space to describe in more detail accomplishments towards the original community service objectives reported in question 13 and/or your additional community service objectives reported in question 14. Please make sure you include the Operating Site ID Number in each narrative description so we can be clear which accomplishment is matched to which site.

Y12B - Dade County, Florida

Water analyses have been conducted on samples of well water and lake water that is used for irrigation of homeowners' turf. AmeriCorps also accompanied Doug Ulmer to the Envirothon on March 14, 1996. We have also been working with Dade County commissioners from different districts to inform them and the homeowners in their area about water conservation. Our team has just returned from an intensive training in Tampa with the Jacksonville team. We have also participated in the nationwide teleconference conducted on March 25, 1996.

16. **Community Building Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how projects have brought together diverse groups of people, empowered communities to solve their own problems, built long term structures that will last beyond each AmeriCorps Member's term of service, and generally improved the abilities of local citizens to help improve their own lives.

Y12A - Duval County, Florida

We are working more directly with the public now. This has taken place due to the numerous visits with homeowners to explain the work we were there to do (salt water intrusion especially).

Y12B - Dade County, Florida

This project has brought together diverse groups of people, and empowered communities to solve problems. It has also built long-term structures that will last far beyond our team service in various ways. Working as a team of diverse individuals creates different ideas and resolutions to a problem. It has empowered our community to become more concerned about water conservation. Also, it has built a long-term structure in our personal lives by allowing us to communicate with different people of the community and their views.

17. **AmeriCorps Member Development Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how the AmeriCorps Members themselves have benefited from serving in the program, particularly in regard to expanding their own educational opportunity and increasing their own ethic of personal responsibility. Describe specific skills learned by Members through either their service or training. Describe any Members that earned a GED or otherwise advanced their education. Describe any Members that left public assistance to join AmeriCorps. Relate how AmeriCorps allowed Members to continue college or graduate school. Describe how Members may have changed their ethic of work, citizenship, or community volunteerism.

Y12A - Duval County, Florida

Robin Hogsten received her Bachelor's Degree in Biology during this time. Steve Stiltner is continuing his part-time classes at community college. Also, members have been volunteering for numerous activities including: Greenscape Tree Planting, SJRWMD cleanup of the St. Johns River, Home & Patio Show, Boat Show, Healthy Neighborhoods/Healthy Earth Stewardship, Food Bank, WAVE (Watershed Action Volunteers), AmeriCorps "Team Leader" concept has also instilled individual responsibility in reference to the team.

Y12B - Dade County, Florida

AmeriCorps members have benefited from serving in the program, particularly expanding our educational opportunity and increasing our own ethic of personal responsibility. Members have learned specific skills through our service and training, such as organization, setting priorities, and encountering people with different personalities and views in the community as well as improving public relations. Technically, we have advanced in our computer skills, research skills, and mathematical capabilities.

SECTION V - SUCCESS STORIES:

- 18. Unique Successes or Great Stories :** Briefly describe one or two unique and/or exceptional success stories, a program highlight, or a 'great story' from your state. Please explain any instance in which AmeriCorps Members recruited non-AmeriCorps community volunteers for projects. Please include all media coverage, including original newspaper clips, videotapes of TV coverage, and cassette tapes of radio coverage; any letters of support or thank you letters; "before and after" photographs, brochures, posters, and newsletters created by the project; and other types of creative documentation.

Y12A - Duval County, Florida

An "Irrigation Evaluation" flyer was made for the purpose of getting the public to sign up for free mobile irrigation evaluations. These were handed out at the Boat Show and the Home & Patio Show and the PRime Osborne Convention Center on February 8-11 and February 22-25 respectively. Inserts were also sent to water customers (via water bill) concerning the free irrigation evaluations. A "highlight" for AmeriCorps members was the training in the Tampa, Florida with the Dade County AmeriCorps team. It was a week-long session that included HIV and Defensive Driving seminars, as well as Team Building Skills, personality profiles, diversity in the workplace, etc.

Y12B - Dade County, Florida

One of our exceptional success stories was the opportunity to meet and train with the Jacksonville team. Learning about other projects that other AmeriCorps teams are involved in was very interesting. Also, this training helped us learn more about our personalities and ways that we can work with other people. "If others know more about you than you know about yourself, the more others can control you," this is one of the many things learned in our training session in Tampa, which will help us learn more about our personalities.

SECTION VI - CHALLENGES

- 19. Difficulties Faced by the Program:** Use this section to report on any problems your Members have encountered in the program this period. These should be significant issues which were related to achieving objectives, significant delays in implementation, administrative problems, or any other expectations, events or incidents that have caused the Members concern. State the problem concisely and how the issue has, or has not been resolved. Be sure to outline the steps taken and identify any resources needed to assist in resolving the problem.

Y12A - Duval County, Florida

Problems encountered by the Duval County AmeriCorps team during this period was mainly in achieving objectives. We have numerous goals that were originally expected, but after speaking with Ken Murray, more realistic expectations were generated (at the training in Tampa).

Seating arrangements at the City of Jacksonville Water Quality Division need to be implemented. Give us more room to work (possibly a room or office with computer just for us). Specific numbers need to be put in bi-weekly reports as to what has been done so as to completed the quarterly reports in a more quantity-geared manner.

Y12B - Dade County, Florida

Problems that the program has encountered this period are minor. They included problems with vehicles, incomplete equipment, and public skepticism. However, we have overcome these minor difficulties.

SECTION V - GENERAL INFORMATION

- 20. National Identity Activities (OPTIONAL):** Please describe any activities undertaken by Members that fostered the national identity of AmeriCorps. These could include joint service activities, meetings with other AmeriCorps projects, national telephone conference calls, use of Internet to communicate with other sites, etc.

Y12A - Duval County, Florida

January 11, we took part in the Eastern Region AmeriCorps teleconference with Joel Berg. Participation of AmeriCorp training with Dade County and Belle Glade, Florida also took place during the week of March 18 in Plant City, FLorida.

Y12B - Dade County, Florida

An activity that was undertaken by members that fostered the national identity of AmeriCorps was a teleconference conducted on March 25, 1996, with other AmeriCorps teams, and Joel Berg, USDA-Director of National Service and the Secretary of Agriculture. During the teleconference, we learned of different projects across the county that AmeriCorps is working on. Also, our participation with the Envirothon has also helped foster the identity of AmeriCorps. Coming in contact with many high school students gave us a chance to speak about our projects and about the AmeriCorps in general.

- 21. Organizational Changes:** Please outline and describe any changes in your program's organization and/or structure during the quarter.

Y12A - Duval County, Florida

We began implementation of weekly schedules consisting of what members are going to be doing the upcoming week. We also changed team leaders from Steve Stilner to Robin Hogsten.

Y12B - Dade County, Florida

The changes in our program's organization and structure are streamlining our format for the mailing of completed reports to cooperators, and also our evaluations procedure. We have also elected a team leader on a monthly rotation for better coordination of team activities. The AmeriCorps is also working with the commissioners from different districts. We supplied the commissioners with a copy of our flyer to distribute to homeowners in their area.

- 22. Organizational Improvements (OPTIONAL):** Please write any suggestions by you, your Members, site managers, or anyone else regarding ways in which the USDA or CNS AmeriCorps program could be improved.

Y12A - Duval County, Florida

Please start out with training as soon as the program begins. Especially in getting with other AmeriCorp teams in the state (such as our training in Tampa). More direct involvement of site supervisor with projects. Possibly eliminate third party involvement, so as to be more cohesive in attaining goals.

Y12B - Dade County, Florida

Our AmeriCorps team feels that USDA or Corporation for National Service (CNS) could improve our program by creating a better public image for AmeriCorps. We as well need to include our efforts.

- 23. Primary Training and Technical Assistance Needs (OPTIONAL):** Please specify precisely what kind of staff or Member training or other technical assistance can be provided by USDA, the Corporation for National Service, or other sources to improve your projects.

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The Homestead AmeriCorps team feels that training or other technical assistance does not need to improve. Working next to the Dade County Mobile Irrigation Lab (MIL) has given us great confidence and help in everything we need.

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USDA State Progress Report (CNS Grant No. 95ADFD047)

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SECTION I - STATE INFORMATION

2. State: Florida

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Zip

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10. MEMBER DATA:

OP SITE ID: Y12A

Site Supervisor: Allen Moore

PHONE: 904-232-2871

Agency/Org Name: NRCS

FAX: 9047657172

STATE: FL

City: Jacksonville , FL

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 5

			HOURS							
Member Name		SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	1st Rpt	2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt	Total
HOGSTEN , ROBIN	C.		F	A	A	204				
JACKSON , SHIRLEY	P.		F	A	A	71				
MILLINGTON , MICHELLA	S.	(b)(6)	F	A	A	222				
STILTNER , STEPHEN	M.		F	A	A	204				
TUKES , RUTHENE	.		F	A	A	223				

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10. MEMBER DATA:

OP SITE ID: Y12B

Site Supervisor: Doug Ulmer

PHONE: 305-242-1218

Agency/Org Name: NRCS

FAX: 3052421292

STATE: FL

City: Homestead, FL

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 5

Member Name		SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	1st Rpt	HOURS				Total
							2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt		
CANTAVE	, LEONARD	.	F	A	A	280	_____	_____	_____	_____	
ELLIS	, CATHERINE	M.	F	A	A	280	_____	_____	_____	_____	
RESENDEZ	, ELIZABETH	.	F	A	A	280	_____	_____	_____	_____	
VAL	, LAUDUN	P.	F	A	A	280	_____	_____	_____	_____	
VASQUEZ	, LAURA	A.	F	A	A	280	_____	_____	_____	_____	

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No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 5

No. of Active Members Whose Enrollment Forms were recieved at USDA (not including terminations): 5

No. of Members for Whom Forms Have NOT Been Recieved*: 0

ENTER the number of vacancies that you intend to fill in the next reporting period: 0

ENTER the number of vacancies you intend to relinquish for the program year: 0

* If the number of Members allocated is greater than the number of forms received, there are four options: 1. There are Members enrolled in programs whose forms have not been submitted to the USDA Director of National Service. If that is the case, list the names, SSN, Status and hours of the missing members on the back of this sheet and send the enrollment forms to the USDA Director of National Service. 2. The enrollment forms were sent directly to the Corporation. If that is the case, send copies to the USDA Director of National Service immediately. 3. There are vacancies in your program you intend to fill in the next reporting period. If that is the case, enter the number of vacancies on the appropriate line. 4. There are vacancies that you can not fill and you are relinquishing them.

PLEASE REMEMBER, MEMBERS WHOSE FORMS HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED HERE AT USDA ARE NOT CONSIDERED OFFICIALLY ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM AND THEIR BENEFITS (EDUCATION AWARD, HEALTH CARE, ETC.) ARE JEOPARDIZED!!!

If the number of members for whom forms have been received is greater than the number of members allocated resulting in a negative number appearing in the "No. of Members for Whom Forms Have NOT Been Received" line, you have enrolled more members in your program than authorized. Please provide an explanation for this over enrollment. (It may be that some members have terminated, in which case, change their status on this form and submit the proper end of term of service form to the USDA Director of National Service.

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11. Please list the total number of **volunteers** who took part in activities which were sponsored or organized by all the Members in the state during this period.

1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
17				

12. Please list the total number of **hours of community service** completed by the volunteers cited above during this period. (In question 18, briefly explain what these volunteers accomplished)

1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
720				

SECTION IV - PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING SERVICE OBJECTIVES:

13. **Original Community Service Objectives:** Attached are sheets summarizing the community service objectives that were originally approved for each operating site. In cases where a single objective may take an entire year to complete, that objective may have a sub-objective listed. **You need to fill in the column marked "1st QTR Quantity" and the column marked "1st QTR Success" --- as well as any column that is blank, has a zero, or has a question mark --- for EVERY operating site.** Each chart should have the following columns:

"State" - The standard two-letter code for your state

"Obj No" - Each community service objective for each site is assigned an individual number

"Op Site" - Each site's unique operating site identification

"PGM Code" - Each type of service has been assigned a unique code to describe that type of service. See the appendix to this report entitled "Community Service PGM Code List"

"Obj/Impact Statement" - A few words verbally summarizing the community service objective

"Year's QTY Target" - The year's numerical goal for the people or things to be aided

"Target Unit of Measurement" - The unit of measure used in the previous column

"1st QTR Quantity" - Provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's QTY Target"

"Year's Success Target" - Number for a way of measuring *quality* of service provided --- if this column is blank, has a question mark, or has a zero, please replace it with the accurate information

"Success Unit of Measure" - Explanation of the number in the previous column --- if this column is blank, has a question mark, or has a zero, please replace it with the accurate information

"1st QTR Success" - Provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's Success Target"

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QUESTION 13. PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING ORIGINAL COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVES
(Fill in All Blank Columns or Those with Question Marks. Use the Attached Blank Form to Enter New Objectives.)

State	OP Site	Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact Statement	Year's		1 st QTR Quantity	Year's		1 st QTR Success
					QTY Target	Unit of Measure		Success Target	Success Unit of Measure	
FL	Y12A	1	E118	Conduct on-site outdoor water use audits	150	audits	0	50%	% decrease in water usage	0
FL	Y12A	2	E111	Provide technical assistance to # of landowners	150	landusers	0	65%	% of landowners making improvements	0
FL	Y12A	5	E093	Conduct groundwater resource assessments	170	assessment	51	100%	% of homeowners who make improvements	43%

* NOTE: This team was "on board" only six weeks during the first quarter. Three weeks were used for training. The numbers will go "through the roof" next quarter.

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State	OP Site	Obj	PGM	Obj/Impact Statement	Year's		1 st QTR	Year's		1 st QTR
		No.	Code		QTY	Unit of Measure		Success	Success	
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FL	Y12B	1	E118	Conduct on-site outdoor water use audits	150	audits	75	50%	% decrease in water usage	61%
FL	Y12B	2	E111	Provide technical assistance to # of landusers	150	landusers	75	65%	% of landowners making improvements	75%
FL	Y12B	5	E093	Conduct groundwater resource assessments	170	assessment	75	65%	% of landowners making improvements	75%

15. **Community Service Objectives Narrative (optional):** If you feel it is necessary and/or helpful, you may use this space to describe in more detail accomplishments towards the original community service objectives reported in question 13 and/or your additional community service objectives reported in question 14. Please make sure you include the Operating Site ID Number in each narrative description so we can be clear which accomplishment is matched to which site.

Operating Site ID Number Y12B - Dade County, FL

Irrigation evaluations are performed to determine the efficiency of the system. In this process suggestions and recommendations are accompanied by a printed report, and a map of the home identifying where problems are located in order to understand how to improve the evaluated system.

16. **Community Building Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how projects have brought together diverse groups of people, empowered communities to solve their own problems, built long term structures that will last beyond each AmeriCorps Member's term of service, and generally improved the abilities of local citizens to help improve their own lives.

Operating Site Number Y12A - Duval County, FL

The implementation of the AmeriCorps Program has fostered partnerships with the City of Jacksonville-Water Quality Division, County Extension Service, Duval Soil and Water Conservation District, St. Johns River Water Management District, U.S. Geological Survey and the individual landowners that they have worked with and/or provided assistance.

Operating Site ID Number Y12B - Dade County, FL

This project has brought together diverse groups of people and empowered communities to solve problems. It has also built long-term structures that will last far beyond our team service in the following ways. Working as a team of diverse groups creates different ideas and resolutions to a problem. It has empowered our community to become more concerned about water conservation. Also it has built a long-term structure in

17. **AmeriCorps Member Development Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how the AmeriCorps Members themselves have benefited from serving in the program, particularly in regard to expanding their own educational opportunity and increasing their own ethic of personal responsibility. Describe specific skills learned by Members through either their service or training. Describe any Members that earned a GED or otherwise advanced their education. Describe any Members that left public assistance to join AmeriCorps. Relate how AmeriCorps allowed Members to continue college or graduate school. Describe how Members may have changed their ethic of work, citizenship, or community volunteerism.

Operating Site Number Y12A - Duval County, FL

The AmeriCorps Members have indicated to me that they have benefited tremendously due to their exposure to information and observations that most have never thought about. The diverse group has benefited from other members' backgrounds and experiences. They have received training on a wide variety of subjects.

Operating Site ID Number Y12B - Dade County, FL

AmeriCorps members have benefited from serving in the program, particularly in regard to expanding our own educational opportunity and increasing our own ethic of personal responsibility. Members have learned specific skills through our service and training, such as organization, setting priorities, and encountering people with different personalities and views in the community as well as improving public relations. Technically, we have advanced in our computer skills, research skills, and mathematical capabilities.

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Operating Site Number Y12B' - Dade County (Continued)
in our personal lives by allowing us to try to communicate with different people of the community and their views.

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SECTION V - SUCCESS STORIES:

18. **Unique Successes or Great Stories :** Briefly describe one or two unique and/or exceptional success stories, a program highlight, or a 'great story' from your state. Please explain any instance in which AmeriCorps Members recruited non-AmeriCorps community volunteers for projects. Please include all media coverage, including original newspaper clips, videotapes of TV coverage, and cassette tapes of radio coverage; any letters of support or thank you letters; "before and after" photographs, brochures, posters, and newsletters created by the project; and other types of creative documentation.

Operating Site ID Number Y12B - Dade County, FL

One of our exceptional success stories which included everyone in the team was when we accomplished twelve evaluations in one day. Also, for one of the team members personally, the opportunity to speak in public was her highlight of the AmeriCorps program. Two articles focusing on the AmeriCorps have been published in the South Dade News Leader and The Miami Herald. Also, we created a brochure on AmeriCorps written in Spanish, English and Creole.

SECTION VI - CHALLENGES

9. **Difficulties Faced by the Program:** Use this section to report on any problems your Members have encountered in the program this period. These should be significant issues which were related to achieving objectives, significant delays in implementation, administrative problems, or any other expectations, events or incidents that have caused the Members concern. State the problem concisely and how the issue has, or has not been resolved. Be sure to outline the steps taken and identify any resources needed to assist in resolving the problem.

Operating Site ID Number Y12A - Duval County, FL

The major difficulties have been the training process, access to sites in the field and the compilation of reports. All subject areas above have been addressed and for the most part resolved through the utilization of special trainers for specific subject areas, meetings and other continuous communication forums and the implementation of the "Team Leader" position.

Operating Site ID Number Y12B - Dade County, FL

Problems that the program has encountered this period are minor. They included problems with vehicles, incomplete equipment and public skepticism. However, we have overcome these minor difficulties.

SECTION V - GENERAL INFORMATION

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Operating Site ID Number Y12A - Duval County, FL

Several of the team members have participated in other activities during this quarter. They include the following:

1. Presentation and demonstration to 25 teachers on the effects of stormwater runoff.
2. Promotion of AmeriCorps to "Watershed Action Volunteers."
3. Promotion of AmeriCorps in their respective communities.

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Operating Site ID Number Y12A - Duval County, FL

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Operating Site ID Number Y12B - Dade County, FL (Continued)
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AmeriCorps Suggestions on
conserving water... Pamphlet

AmeriCorps

Our AmeriCorps project was designed in accordance with USDA-NRCS to conserve water. Irrigation evaluations are performed to determine efficiency of the system. In this process suggestions and recommendations are accompanied by a modern technological printed report in order to understand and to improve the evaluated system. EVALUATIONS ARE FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL.

Interested parties please call: 242-1218

Dade County Members

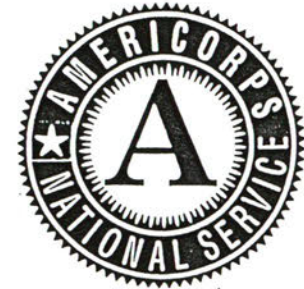
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August 27, 1996

TO: Glen Walden, AmeriCorps Project Director, RD, Florida

FROM: Joel Berg, USDA Director of National Service *JB*

SUBJECT: Year-to-Date Data on Objectives and Member Forms

Attached is a "year-to-date" progress report showing accomplishments on objectives through the third quarter report. **This data, plus the fourth quarter data, will be provided to members of Congress representing your state and to your agency leaders. It is imperative that the information reflected in this report be as accurate as possible.** The report also shows the degree to which you have accomplished your objectives which were agreed to at the beginning of this program year.

I ask that you carefully review this report. Review each objective with the following items in mind:

1. **Accuracy of the data.** This information will be shared with many different groups, and it is important to be accurate in our reporting as well as getting credit for all the great work you have done during the year.

2. **Completion of community service objectives.** One way to determine the successful completion of objectives is to measure accomplishments against the target quantity measurement which you established at the beginning of the year. The table below gives you a snapshot picture of your accomplishments through the third quarter. The last five columns reflects your work measured against the target quantity.

SITE #	NUMBER OF OBJECTIVES	NUMBER OF OBJECTIVES EXCEEDED	NUMBER OF OBJECTIVES AT 100%	NUMBER OF OBJECTIVES 50-100% COMPLETE	NUMBER OF OBJECTIVES 0-50% COMPLETE	NO TARGET QUANTITY
R12A	4	2	2			
R12B	2	2				
R12C	2	1			1	

2. **Congressional Districts.** Please indicate in which Congressional District(s) the work was actually accomplished. This will let us be very specific to Members of Congress as to what work was done in their district.

3. **Volunteers.** Please explain what the volunteers have done with your AmeriCorps members. Also ensure that the volunteer numbers you have been providing to us each quarter is for the quarter **only**, not cumulative for the year.

Your assistance in this reporting enables us to meet our legal obligations as well as providing us with the necessary information to promote our USDA AmeriCorps program to all interested parties. Providing this data in an accurate and timely manner is one of your most important duties as an AmeriCorps Project Director.

Member Forms

A review of your member forms reveals they are up-to-date. Great job!

If you have any questions or problems, please contact Dee DiFiore at (202) 690-3051 or Ron DeMunbrun at (202) 690-3894.

Thank you for a job well done.

Attachment

cc:

Dave Gibson, AmeriCorps Program Manager, RD

State: FL

OP SITE: R12A

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FIRST THREE QUARTERS' PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING ORIGINAL COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVES

BY STATE AND PROGRAM (OBJECTIVE) CODE

State	OP Site	Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact Statement	Year's QTY Target	QTY Unit of Measure	FIRST 3 QTR's Quantity	PERCENT COMPLETE
FL	R12A	3	EN-E010A	Renovate & restore historic buildings	3	sites - restored	3	100.00 %
FL	R12A	2	EN-R008A	Assist low-income residents obtain employment	30	people - job training	30	100.00 %
FL	R12A	1	EN-R035A	Recruit and train volunteers	20	volunteers	37	185.00 %
FL	R12A	3	EN-R035A	Recruit & train volunteers	30	volunteers	75	373.33 %

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FL	R12B	2	EN-R008A	Assist low-income residents obtain employment	30	people - job training	129	430.00 %
FL	R12B	1	EN-R035A	Recruit and train volunteers	20	volunteers	265	1325.00 %

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FL	R12C	2	EN-R008A	Assist low-income residents obtain employment	30	people - job training	0	0.00 %
FL	R12C	1	EN-R035A	Recruit and train volunteers	20	volunteers	100	500.00 %



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9. E-Mail Address (if any): a07f1RUS

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10. MEMBER DATA:

OP SITE ID: R12C

Site Supervisor: Bruce Stitt
Agency/Org Name: Marianna Chamber of Commerce
City: Marianna, FL

PHONE: 904-482-4353

FAX: 9044822217

STATE: FL

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 2

Member Name	SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	HOURS				Total
					1st Rpt	2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt	
GONYEA II, GARY	D. (b)(6)	F	A	I	440	490	520	<u>570</u>	✓ 2020 1450
YOUNG, MICHELLE	M. (b)(6)	F	A	I	440	490	520	<u>365</u>	✓ 1815 1450
Total Hours:									3835 2900

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 2

No. of Active Members Whose Enrollment Forms were recieved at USDA (not including terminations): 2

No. of Members for Whom Forms Have NOT Been Recieved*: 0

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10. MEMBER DATA:

OP SITE ID: R12B

Site Supervisor: Wendall Taylor

PHONE: 904-482-8061

Agency/Org Name: Marianna Chamber of Commerce

FAX: 9044828002

STATE: FL

City: Marianna, FL

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 2

Member Name		SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	HOURS				Total
						1st Rpt	2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt	
KELLISON	, LISA	L.	F	A	I	480	490	384	<u>458</u> ✓	1354 1812
OAKS	, KATHLEEN	.	F	A	I	480	490	408	<u>434</u> ✓	1378 1812
Total Hours:										2732 3624

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10. MEMBER DATA:

OP SITE ID: R12A Site Supervisor: Vicki Silver PHONE: 407-233-5313
STATE: FL Agency/Org Name: Glades Area Champion Community FAX: 4072335365
City: West Palm Beach , FL

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 1

Member Name	SSN	SER STAT	PGM STAT	TRT STAT	HOURS				Total
					1st Rpt	2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt	
SEARS , JENNIE	M. (b)(6)	F	A	I	480	520	496	510	2006 XXXX
									Total Hours: 2006 XXXX

No. of Members Allocated by USDA: 1

No. of Active Members Whose Enrollment Forms were recieved at USDA (not including terminations): 1

No. of Members for Whom Forms Have NOT Been Recieved*: 0

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11. Please list the total number of **volunteers** who took part in activities which were sponsored or organized by all the Members in the state during this period.

1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>365</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>471</u>

12. Please list the total number of **hours of community service** completed by the volunteers cited above during this period.

1st Qtr.	2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.	Total
<u>0</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>1030</u>	<u>510</u>	<u>1540</u>

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"Op Site" - Each site's unique operating site identification

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"Obj/Impact Statement" - A few words verbally summarizing the community service objective

"Year's QTY Target" - The year's numerical goal for the people or things to be aided

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"4th QTR Success" - Provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's Success Target"

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(Under "4th QTR Quantity" enter the amount of work done in the fourth quarter. Do the same for "4th QTR Success".)

Remember, since this is the last or final report, there should be no objectives with a zero entered in quantity or success, if a zero was entered for the first Three quarters. (See your last quarterly report) If you have objectives that you could not do anything on please explain why.

State	OP Site	Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact Statement	Year's		4th QTR		Year's		4th QTR
					QTY Target	QTY Unit of Measure	Quantity	Success Target	Success Unit of Measure	Success	
FL	R12A	1	EN-R035A	Recruit and train volunteers	20	volunteers	37 ✓	185%	number of people/things aided by service		0
FL	R12A	2	EN-R008A	Assist low-income residents obtain employment	30	people - job training	30 ✓	100%	number of people receiving new jobs		0
FL	R12A	3	EN-E010A	Renovate & restore historic buildings	3	sites - restored	3 ✓	100%	% of work meeting professional standards		0
FL	R12A	3	EN-R035A	Recruit & train volunteers	30	volunteers	75 ✓	373.33%	number of people/things aided by service		0

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State	Site	OP Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact Statement	Year's		4th QTR		Year's		4th QTR
					QTY Target	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Success Target	Success Unit of Measure	Success	
FL	R12B	1	EN-R035A	Recruit and train volunteers	20	volunteers	265	430%	number of people/things aided by service	0	
FL	R12B	2	EN-R008A	Assist low-income residents obtain employment	30	people - job training	138	132.6%	number of people receiving new jobs	8	

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					QTY Target	Unit of Measure		Success Target	Unit of Measure	
FL	R12C	1	EN-R035A	Recruit and train volunteers	20	volunteers	140	501%	number of people/things aided by service	40
FL	R12C	2	EN-R008A	Assist low-income residents obtain employment	30	people - job training	0	0	number of people receiving new jobs	0

14. PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVES

Use this section to report progress towards completing additional new objectives --- those objectives in addition to the main objectives of each project listed on the proceeding page. Please fill in all columns for all objectives. It is important to make sure that each objective is listed with its own "OP site" (Operating site) code; this ensures that we know precisely what service is performed at each site. Please fill in all columns for each objective. Under "Obj No.," please give each new objective a number different from the number used for any of the objectives on the proceeding page. Under "PGM Code", please use a one-letter and three-digit code to describe the service from the code list provided at the end of this report. Under "Obj/Impact statement," provide a several-word summary of the nature of the service project -- this verbal summary should roughly match the "PGM Code" listed in the previous column. Under "Year's QTY Target," provide a hard number for the people or things aided. Under "Target Unit of Measurement," specify what unit of measure was used in the previous column -- such as miles, number of people served, acres, etc. Under "1st QTR Quantity," provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's QTY Target" that was accomplished during this reporting period. Under "Year's Success Target," provide a hard number for a way of measuring how well the service was provided. Under "Successes Unit of Measure," specify exactly what the number in the previous column meant. Under "1st QTR Success," provide a hard number indicating progress towards the "Year's Success Target" that was accomplished during this reporting period.

1st QTR		Obj PGM		Year's		Year's		Success		Unit of
State Op Site	Measure	No.	Code	Obj/Impact statement	Target	QTY	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Target	

{SAMPLE:}

CA	Y05A	18	EN96	Constrcuting whale nesting boxes	3	Boxes		1	90	%
meeting stand. 95%										

15. **Community Service Objectives Narrative (optional):** If you feel it is necessary and/or helpful, you may use this space to describe in more detail accomplishments towards the original community service objectives reported in question 13 and/or your additional community service objectives reported in question 14. Please make sure you include the Operating Site ID Number in each narrative description so we can be clear which accomplishment is matched to which site.

Op Site# R12A: member conducted meeting regarding the preservation of a historic town hall.

Op Site# R12B: members developed material for use at the incubator site

Op Site# R12C: members assisted with addressing community related safety concerns.

16. **Community Building Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how projects have brought together diverse groups of people, empowered communities to solve their own problems, built-long term structures that will last beyond each AmeriCorps Member's term of service, and generally improved the abilities of local citizens to help improve their own lives.

Op Site# R12A: member organized business development related workshop

Op Site# R12B: member organized child care related assistance in response to the closing of a local child care center

Op Site# R12C: members taught children who were attending community sites, recreational and art related activities.

17. **AmeriCorps Member Development Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how the AmeriCorps Members themselves have benefited from serving in the program, particularly in regard to expanding their own educational opportunity and increasing their own ethic of personal responsibility. Describe specific skills learned by Members through either their service or training. Describe any Members that earned a GED or otherwise advanced their education. Describe any Members that left public assistance to join AmeriCorps. Relate how AmeriCorps allowed Members to continue college or graduate school. Describe how Members may have changed their ethic of work, citizenship, or community volunteerism.

Op Site# R12A: member: 1)attended training which related to the election process and 2) began community college course work relating to mathematical/ analytical problem solving.

Op Site# R12B: member attended revolving local fund program training activities.

Op Site# R12C: none to report

SECTION V - SUCCESS STORIES:

18. **Unique Successes or Great Stories :** Briefly describe one or two unique and/or exceptional success stories, a program highlight, or a 'great story' from your state. Please explain any instance in which AmeriCorps Members recruited non-AmeriCorps community volunteers for projects. Please include all media coverage, including original newspaper clips, videotapes of TV coverage, and cassette tapes of radio coverage; any letters of support or thank you letters; "before and after" photographs, brochures, posters, and newsletters created by the project; and other types of creative documentation.

none to report

SECTION VI - CHALLENGES

19. **Difficulties Faced by the Program:** Use this section to report on any problems your Members have encountered in the program this period. These should be significant issues which were related to achieving objectives, significant delays in implementation, administrative problems, or any other expectations, events or incidents that have caused the Members concern. State the problem concisely and how the issue has, or has not been resolved. Be sure to outline the steps taken and identify any resources needed to assist in resolving the problem.

none to report

SECTION V - GENERAL INFORMATION

20. **National Identity Activities (OPTIONAL):** Please describe any activities undertaken by Members that fostered the national identity of AmeriCorps. These could include joint service activities, meetings with other AmeriCorps projects, national telephone conference calls, use of Internet to communicate with other sites, etc.

Op Site# R12A: none identified

Op Site# R12B: none identified

Op Site# R12C: members published public safety related brochures.

21. **Organizational Changes:** Please outline and describe any changes in your program's organization and/or structure during the quarter.

none to report

22. **Organizational Improvements (OPTIONAL):** Please write any suggestions by you, your Members, site managers, or anyone else regarding ways in which the USDA or CNS AmeriCorps program could be improved.

none to report

23. **Primary Training and Technical Assistance Needs (OPTIONAL):** Please specify precisely what kind of staff or Member training or other technical assistance can be provided by USDA, the Corporation for National Service, or other sources to improve your projects.

Op Site# R12A: None identified

Op Site# R12B: none identified

Op Site# R12C: none identified

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(10/1 - 12/31) (1/1 - 3/31) (4/1 - 6/30) (7/1 - 9/30)

SECTION I - STATE INFORMATION

2. State: Florida
3. Agency: ARS ☐ NRCS ☐ Forest Service ☐ RECD ☒ FSA ☐ FCS ☐

SECTION II - STATE CONTACT INFORMATION: (Make Corrections if Necessary)

4. Contact Name: Glenn E. Walden Last
RECD State Office
4440 NW 25th PL
Gainesville, FL 32606
5. Title: _____
6. Address: _____
street, number, and PO (if applicable)
- _____
City State Zip
7. Telephone number: 352 - 338 - 3440
8. Fax number: 352 - 338 - 3452
9. E-Mail Address (if any) : _____

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10. MEMBER DATA:

*XX Please note correction
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OP SITE ID: R12A

Site Supervisor: Vicki

Silver

PHONE: 407-233-5313

Agency/Org Name:

FAX: 4072335365

STATE: FL

City: West Palm Beach , FL

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					1st Rpt	2nd Rpt	3rd Rpt	4th Rpt	
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Total Hours:									1000 1496

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OAKS	, KATHLEEN	.	F	A	A	480	496	408		1384

Total Hours: 2944

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OP SITE ID: R12C

Site Supervisor: Bruce Stitt
Agency/Org Name: Marianna Chamber of Commerce
City: Marianna, FL

PHONE: 904-482-4353

FAX: 9044822217

STATE: FL

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Total Hours:									1860 2900

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11. Please list the total number of **volunteers** who took part in activities which were sponsored or organized by all the Members in the state during this period.

1st Qtr. 2nd Qtr. 3rd Qtr. 4th Qtr. Total
-0- 5 365 370

12. Please list the total number of **hours of community service** completed by the volunteers cited above during this period.

1st Qtr. 2nd Qtr. 3rd Qtr. 4th Qtr. Total
-0- 40 1030 1070

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					QTY Target	Unit of Measure		Success Target	Unit of Measure	
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FL	R12B	2	EN-R008A	Assist low-income residents obtain employment	30	people - job training	129	100%	number of people receiving new jobs	65% (142 jobs)

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QUESTION 13. PROGRESS TOWARDS ACCOMPLISHING ORIGINAL COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVES
 (Under "3rd QTR Quantity" enter the amount of work done in the third quarter. Do the same for "3rd QTR Success".)

State	OP Site	Obj No.	PGM Code	Obj/Impact Statement	Year's QTY Target	QTY Unit of Measure	3rd QTR Quantity	Year's Success Target	Success Unit of Measure	3rd QTR Success
FL	R12C	1	EN-R035A	Recruit and train volunteers	20	volunteers	100	100%	number of people/things aided by service	100%
FL	R12C	2	EN-R008A	Assist low-income residents obtain employment	30	people - job training	- 0 -	- 0 -	number of people receiving new jobs	- 0 -

PALM BEACH COUNTY
OPERATING SITE #R12A

15. **Community Service Objectives Narrative (optional):** If you feel it is necessary and/or helpful, you may use this space to describe in more detail accomplishments towards the original community service objectives reported in question 13 and/or your additional community service objectives reported in question 14. Please make sure you include the Operating Site ID Number in each narrative description so we can be clear which accomplishment is matched to which site.

Community service related activities which were achieved:

1. worked with business owners in the cities of Belle Glade, Pahokee and South Bay toward the creation of jobs for economically disadvantaged community residents;
2. initiation of activities for restoration of an old city hall in the City of Belle Glade;
3. worked with and collected information relating to needed repairs of respective historic sites in Pahokee.

16. **Community Building Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how projects have brought together diverse groups of people, empowered communities to solve their own problems, built long term structures that will last beyond each AmeriCorps Member's term of service, and generally improved the abilities of local citizens to help improve their own lives.

Community building activities achieved included:

1. worked with an organization called Glades Technical Advisory Committee. This committee is made up of different community organizations whose goal is to help diversify the Glades area economy in a manner that will enhance its human and natural resources. Participated in a charrette which brought together architects and citizens to plan what they would like the City of Belle Glade to look like in the future.
2. involved with the Glades annual Black Gold Jubilee. This festival marks the end of the harvest for the Glades.
3. participated in a meeting at the Port of Palm Beach to learn details/benefits of Foreign Trade Zones.

17. **AmeriCorps Member Development Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how the AmeriCorps Members themselves have benefited from serving in the program, particularly in regard to expanding their own educational opportunity and increasing their own ethic of personal responsibility. Describe specific skills learned by Members through either their service or training. Describe any Members that earned a GED or otherwise advanced their education. Describe any Members that left public assistance to join AmeriCorps. Relate how AmeriCorps allowed Members to continue college or graduate school. Describe how Members may have changed their ethic of work, citizenship, or community volunteerism.

Development activities achieved included:

1. completion of training in the following areas: HIV and defensive driving;
2. participation in downtown business revitalization workshop in Delray Beach.

SECTION V - SUCCESS STORIES:

18. **Unique Successes or Great Stories :** Briefly describe one or two unique and/or exceptional success stories, a program highlight, or a 'great story' from your state. Please explain any instance in which AmeriCorps Members recruited non-AmeriCorps community volunteers for projects. Please include all media coverage, including original newspaper clips, videotapes of TV coverage, and cassette tapes of radio coverage; any letters of support or thank you letters; "before and after" photographs, brochures, posters, and newsletters created by the project; and other types of creative documentation.

Home Depot, in coordination with Americorps worker efforts, has donated paint to the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber is now donating the paint for restoring and beautifying historic buildings.

SECTION VI - CHALLENGES

19. **Difficulties Faced by the Program:** Use this section to report on any problems your Members have encountered in the program this period. These should be significant issues which were related to achieving objectives, significant delays in implementation, administrative problems, or any other expectations, events or incidents that have caused the Members concern. State the problem concisely and how the issue has, or has not been resolved. Be sure to outline the steps taken and identify any resources needed to assist in resolving the problem.

Primary problem is minor. It involves waiting for computers and access time.

SECTION V - GENERAL INFORMATION

20. **National Identity Activities (OPTIONAL):** Please describe any activities undertaken by Members that fostered the national identity of AmeriCorps. These could include joint service activities, meetings with other AmeriCorps projects, national telephone conference calls, use of Internet to communicate with other sites, etc.

An activity that was undertaken by Americorps members that fostered the national identity of Americorps was a USDA training session which was conducted by USDA/NRCS. This training was held in Plant City. It helped me as well as the other Americorps members to learn of the different projects that other Americorps were involved in.

21. **Organizational Changes:** Please outline and describe any changes in your program's organization and/or structure during the quarter.

None

22. **Organizational Improvements (OPTIONAL):** Please write any suggestions by you, your Members, site managers, or anyone else regarding ways in which the USDA or CNS AmeriCorps program could be improved.

23. **Primary Training and Technical Assistance Needs (OPTIONAL):** Please specify precisely what kind of staff or Member training or other technical assistance can be provided by USDA, the Corporation for National Service, or other sources to improve your projects.

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JACKSON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

OPERATING SITE #R12B

15. **Community Service Objectives Narrative (optional):** If you feel it is necessary and/or helpful, you may use this space to describe in more detail accomplishments towards the original community service objectives reported in question 13 and/or your additional community service objectives reported in question 14. Please make sure you include the Operating Site ID Number in each narrative description so we can be clear which accomplishment is matched to which site.

Community service activities achieved included:

1. trained local entrepreneurs on start-up procedures;
2. Throughout the month of May, Americorps members worked on various items including: day care, low income housing, infrastructure, incubator, Enterprise Community/ Empowerment Zone fact finding data, planting flowers related to Oklahoma bombing, composing flyer about JCDC, composing material for volunteers for EC work groups, SBA meeting, assessment of a neglected local park, including follow-up on the cleanout of a water drainage ditch, city volunteer driven clean up day.

16. **Community Building Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how projects have brought together diverse groups of people, empowered communities to solve their own problems, built long term structures that will last beyond each AmeriCorps Member's term of service, and generally improved the abilities of local citizens to help improve their own lives.

Compiled information regarding needs related to domestic violence in the community.

17. **AmeriCorps Member Development Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how the AmeriCorps Members themselves have benefited from serving in the program, particularly in regard to expanding their own educational opportunity and increasing their own ethic of personal responsibility. Describe specific skills learned by Members through either their service or training. Describe any Members that earned a GED or otherwise advanced their education. Describe any Members that left public assistance to join AmeriCorps. Relate how AmeriCorps allowed Members to continue college or graduate school. Describe how Members may have changed their ethic of work, citizenship, or community volunteerism.

Activities achieved included: attending HIV, CPR, early childhood, and resource development training.

SECTION V - SUCCESS STORIES:

18. **Unique Successes or Great Stories :** Briefly describe one or two unique and/or exceptional success stories, a program highlight, or a 'great story' from your state. Please explain any instance in which AmeriCorps Members recruited non-AmeriCorps community volunteers for projects. Please include all media coverage, including original newspaper clips, videotapes of TV coverage, and cassette tapes of radio coverage; any letters of support or thank you letters; "before and after" photographs, brochures, posters, and newsletters created by the project; and other types of creative documentation.

SECTION VI - CHALLENGES

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None identified.

SECTION V - GENERAL INFORMATION

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21. **Organizational Changes:** Please outline and describe any changes in your program's organization and/or structure during the quarter.

Addition of Bill Rimes as Executive Director of JCDC.

22. **Organizational Improvements (OPTIONAL):** Please write any suggestions by you, your Members, site managers, or anyone else regarding ways in which the USDA or CNS AmeriCorps program could be improved.

23. **Primary Training and Technical Assistance Needs (OPTIONAL):** Please specify precisely what kind of staff or Member training or other technical assistance can be provided by USDA, the Corporation for National Service, or other sources to improve your projects.

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CITY OF MARIANNA
OPERATING SITE #R12C

15. **Community Service Objectives Narrative (optional):** If you feel it is necessary and/or helpful, you may use this space to describe in more detail accomplishments towards the original community service objectives reported in question 13 and/or your additional community service objectives reported in question 14. Please make sure you include the Operating Site ID Number in each narrative description so we can be clear which accomplishment is matched to which site.

Community service activities which were achieved included:

1. entered information related to the Americorps-organized "Clean Up Marianna Day" into a data base for use with next year's event;
2. worked on developing low income housing strategy initiatives, including networking with other Americorps workers nationally during the planning/research phase;
3. organizing volunteers to conduct additional community clean up activities.

16. **Community Building Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how projects have brought together diverse groups of people, empowered communities to solve their own problems, built long term structures that will last beyond each AmeriCorps Member's term of service, and generally improved the abilities of local citizens to help improve their own lives.

Community building activities which were achieved included:

1. worked on improving/enhancing "Gleaning," a local anti-hunger project;
2. initiated work with volunteers relating to the restoration of a children's playground.

17. **AmeriCorps Member Development Objectives Narrative (optional):** Briefly describe how the AmeriCorps Members themselves have benefited from serving in the program, particularly in regard to expanding their own educational opportunity and increasing their own ethic of personal responsibility. Describe specific skills learned by Members through either their service or training. Describe any Members that earned a GED or otherwise advanced their education. Describe any Members that left public assistance to join AmeriCorps. Relate how AmeriCorps allowed Members to continue college or graduate school. Describe how Members may have changed their ethic of work, citizenship, or community volunteerism.

Objective activities achieved included:

1. participation in HIV and First Aid training.

SECTION V - SUCCESS STORIES:

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None

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21. **Organizational Changes:** Please outline and describe any changes in your program's organization and/or structure during the quarter.
- None
22. **Organizational Improvements (OPTIONAL):** Please write any suggestions by you, your Members, site managers, or anyone else regarding ways in which the USDA or CNS AmeriCorps program could be improved.
23. **Primary Training and Technical Assistance Needs (OPTIONAL):** Please specify precisely what kind of staff or Member training or other technical assistance can be provided by USDA, the Corporation for National Service, or other sources to improve your projects.
- None

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'Clean UP Marianna Day'

"unifying our community and beautifying our city"

Saturday 27th April 1996

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

*Come and join our efforts to help each other and our city.
to register call Michelle Young at 482-4353*

*Help us clean UP elderly/disabled people's yards.
Help us clean UP along 20 major roads in the city.*

*AWARDS: volunteers will receive a 4-color T-shirt to
commemorate the day and a lunch sponsored by Subway
and the Marianna Garden Club.*

*Door prizes will also be given away at the end of the
"Clean UP".*

*PLACE: Meet at the Region's Park at the corner of
Market and Green Street
at 8:45 am to register or join early. You can register as
an individual or with an organization.*