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6/17/97

Ron - per Tonda

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of people w/ full award = 880
of people w/ partial award = 119
of people w/ no award = 233

TOTAL

1232

$$\begin{array}{r} 880 = 71.42\% \\ 119 = 9.65\% \\ \hline 999 = 81.08\% \end{array}$$

18.92% did not get award

Thank,

Can Monica FAX me an approval for the ante Huger consortium and the new Mississippi project?

ethel Ron

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August 14, 1996

TO: Rodney Sprott, AmeriCorps Project Director, Interfaith
Hunger Coalition, California

FROM: Joel Berg, Director of National Service, USDA

SUBJECT: Educational Awards JB

This letter is to inform you that the AmeriCorps Member listed below has been awarded a pro-rated education award:

Hope Mohr

(b)(6)

Ms. Mohr will be notified by the Corporation for National Service as to the amount of her award.

The AmeriCorp Member listed below was not granted a partial educational award:

Karen Scheuerer

Ms. Scheuerer reasons for leaving AmeriCorps did not meet the criteria for "compelling personnel circumstances" as defined by the Corporation for National Service.

Please inform these members of the status of their award.



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September 18, 1996

TO: Lue Walters, AmeriCorps Project Director, NRCS,
Illinois

FROM: Joel Berg, Director of National Service, USDA /B

SUBJECT: Educational Awards

This letter is to inform you that the AmeriCorps Member listed below was not awarded a pro-rated education award:

Shital Patel

(b)(6)

The reasons these members had for leaving do not meet the criteria for "compelling personnel circumstances" as defined by the Corporation for National Service. Therefore, she cannot be given a pro-rated award.



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May 1, 1996

TO: Larry Miles, AmeriCorps Project Director, Kansas, NRCS
FROM: *[Signature]* Joel Berg, Director of National Service, USDA
SUBJECT: *for* Educational Awards

This letter is to inform you that the AmeriCorps Member listed below has been awarded a pro-rated education award:]

Jerri Senger

(b)(6)

Please inform the member of this award and let them know that their End of Term of Service Form has been forwarded to the Corporation for National Service. The Member should receive a letter from the Corporation for National Service in approximately three weeks.



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November 16, 1995

TO: Larry Miles, AmeriCorps Project Director, Kansas, NRCS

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

SUBJECT: Educational awards

This letter is to inform you that the AmeriCorps Members listed below have been awarded a pro-rated education award:

Richard P. Linneman
Travis Wahlmeier

(b)(6)

Please inform the members of this award and let them know that their End of Term of Service Forms have been forwarded to the Corporation for National Service.

CC:
Paula Cole Jones



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November 16, 1995

TO: Joyce Watkins, AmeriCorps Project Director, South Dakota,
NRCS

FROM: Joel Berg, Director of National Service, USDA

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SUBJECT: Educational awards

This letter is to inform you that the AmeriCorps Member listed below have been awarded a pro-rated education award:

Jeffrey W. Quinn

(b)(6)

Please inform the member of this award and let him know that their End of Term of Service Forms has been forwarded to the Corporation for National Service.

The AmeriCorps Member listed below were not awarded a pro-rated education award.

Name	Reason for non-award
Robyn Garreau	Insufficient time served
Thaddeus Johnson	Employment not compelling circumstances
James Hansen	Employment not compelling circumstances
Jason Kleinsasser	Amount of stipend not compelling circumstances

CC:

Paula Cole Jones



USDA/AmeriCorps

Natural Resources Conservation Service
760 South Broadway
Salina, KS 67401-4642
(913) 823-4500
FAX (913) 823-4540

Subject: PER - AmeriCorps Program -
Kansas - Educational Awards

Date: October 31, 1995

To: Paula Cole Jones, AmeriCorps Program Manager,
PRG-CAR, NRCS, Washington, D.C.

File Code: 360-5

T. J. Wahlmeir and Richard Linneman are recommended to receive prorated educational awards for their 1995 AmeriCorps service with the Perry Parks and Wildlife Area Restoration Team. They were both unable to complete their AmeriCorps terms due to military service commitments.

Both are members of the National Guard and were required to provide several weeks of summer training with their units. Additional military training for each of the members precluded their completion of their AmeriCorps terms.

It is my determination their failure to complete their terms was due to compelling circumstances and prorated educational awards should be granted based on their time of service.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Larry D. Miles".

Larry D. Miles
Kansas USDA/AmeriCorps Project Director

cc:

Jim Meisenheimer, Kansas USDA/AmeriCorps Regional Facilitator, Salina, KS
A. Faye Morris, Human Resources Officer, NRCS, Salina, KS



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November 15, 1995

TO: Larry Miles, AmeriCorps Project Director, Kansas, NRCS

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

SUBJECT: Educational awards

This letter is to inform you that the AmeriCorps Members listed below have been awarded a pro-rated education award:

Trent S. Anderson
Cindy J. Ochs

(b)(6)

Please inform the members of this award and let them know that their End of Term of Service Forms have been forwarded to the Corporation for National Service.

CC:
Paula Cole Jones



USDA/AmeriCorps

Natural Resources Conservation Service
760 South Broadway
Salina, KS 67401-4642
(913) 823-4500
FAX (913) 823-4540

Subject: PER - AmeriCorps Program -
Kansas - Educational Awards

Date: November 2, 1995

To: Paula Cole Jones, AmeriCorps Program Manager,
PRG-CAR, NRCS, Washington, D.C.

File Code: 360-5

Cindy Ochs just completed her AmeriCorps term. She used the last day of the one year term. She was a dedicated member who applied for a second term and withdrew at the last minute.

The reason Cindy could not complete her term was because she could not find a child care provider during the mid-term. Her original provider quit after the first few months. She lives in a small rural community and qualified providers were not available. She is a single mother and had to take LWOP to take care of her child part of the time.

The reason Cindy withdrew her application for a second term was because a qualified child care provider could not be found. We would have liked very much to have kept her for a second term.

The conditions described constitute compelling circumstances in this case, and I am recommending Cindy Ochs receive a prorated educational award based on the time she provided service.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Larry D. Miles".

Larry D. Miles
Kansas USDA/AmeriCorps Project Director

cc:
Jim Meisenheimer, Kansas USDA/AmeriCorps Regional Facilitator, Salina, KS
A. Faye Morris, Human Resources Officer, NRCS, Salina, KS



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August 14, 1996

TO: Bernie Wright, State Director, South Carolina
Rural Development

FROM: Joel Berg, Director of National Service, USDA

SUBJECT: Educational Awards

This letter is to inform you that the AmeriCorps Member listed below was not awarded a pro-rated education award:

Jacqueline Porter

(b)(6)

Ms Porter's reason for leaving did not meet the criteria for "compelling personnel circumstances" as defined by the Corporation for National Service.

United States
Department of
Agriculture

Rural
Development

Strom Thurmond Federal Building
1835 Assembly Street, Room 1007
Columbia, South Carolina 29201
(803) 253-3498

June 14, 1996

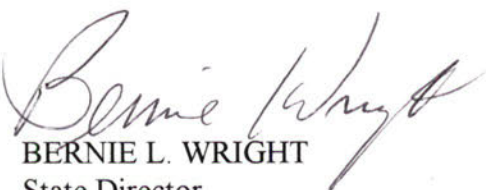
SUBJECT: Jacqueline Porter, Site R45B
Americorps Member, Allendale-Barnwell Redevelopment Program

TO: Joel Berg, Director of National Service, USDA

This memo is a request to allow the above referenced Americorps Member to retain a pro-rated educational reward due to compelling circumstances requiring her to be released from service. Ms. Porter has served her community and the Americorps Program proudly for the past two years and is being required to move to a site where we have no other programs available for her to fill a vacancies. Please review the attached letter concerning her reasons for leaving and notify this office if a partial award is acceptable.

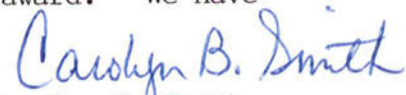
Please contact me should you need further discussions @ 803-765-5163.

Sincerely,


BERNIE L. WRIGHT
State Director

Denied

NOTE: Per discussion with a member of your staff this morning, we are advising that we have previously submitted the "National Service Trust End of Term of Service Form" to Jim Coyle on 05/30/96. On this form we had coded the Type of Termination as "Early termination for Cause and not eligible for an education award." However, as noted above, we wish to change this to "Early termination for Compelling Personal Circumstance and eligible for a partial education award." We have enclosed another form which reflects this change.


Carolyn B. Smith
06/18/96

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Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250

6-13-96

To Mr. Joel Berg:

The reason I left the AmeriCorp program was due mostly for concern of my two daughters. Living in an rural environment where people are afraid of change, and me, I conc., a catalyst. I worked two sites, one in Blackville where I was getting things done. I was a threat to Public Safety officials and in order to get me out of the way, the mechanics of deception started. My name was slandered with lies about the Mayor and myself, my daughter was served with papers barring her from entering a store because of shop lifting, her grades were poor and her health was failing, and I did not have any insurance for her. I was attending school - Voorhees College at night and on weekends, I kept with a 4.0 average. My only dream is to complete my college education without interruption, and provide the basic needs for my two daughters. I moved to Union County, found employment with IBM and the basic needs like insurance, living expenses are not being provided.

Jacqueline Porter

FAX TO: JOEL BERG, DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL SERVICE

JIM COYLE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT/AMERICORPS

(202) 720-4614

**FROM: R. Gregg White, Sr., AmeriCorps Program Director
Rural Development, Columbia, South Carolina
(803) 253-3498 Office Phone**

RE: JACQUELINE PORTER

Per my phone call to Joel Berg today, attached is a corrected copy of Jacqueline Porter's End of Term of Service Form. Her "Hours of service completed" has been changed from 736 hours to 1,096 hours. She had completed 856 hours in the first two quarters of FY96 and 240 hours in the third quarter of FY96 for a total of 1,096 hours.

Sorry for the error. Please call if you have any further questions.

Carolyn B. Smith

for: **R. GREGG WHITE, SR.
07/03/96**

Questions 6 - 12 to be filled out by Approving Official

USE NO. 2 PENCIL ONLY! Erase cleanly any changes or stray marks. Make black marks that fill the circles.

Sections 6-12 must be completed by one of the following:

- the State Director of the Corporation for National Service if participant is a VISTA participant.
 - the Camp Commander or his/her designee if participant is a National Civilian Community Corps participant.
 - the Program Director if participant is an AmeriCorps USA program participant.
- Enter the hours of service completed under the National Service Program. VISTA and National Civilian Community Corps programs should not complete this item.
 - Show the ending date of the term of service.
 - Indicate whether the participant was enrolled in a full-time or part-time program. If a VISTA or a National Civilian Community Corps participant, mark "Full-time" program unless enrolled in the summer program. If an AmeriCorps USA participant, indicate whether the individual was a full-time participant (minimum of 1700 hours), a part-time participant (900 hours), a reduced part-time participant (less than 900 hours), or a summer participant.
 - Give the name of the program or project.
 - Show the Program or Project ID that has been assigned to this program by the Corporation.
 - Indicate the type of termination of the end of service. Please be sure to follow the Corporation's regulations in making this selection. If participant is continuing service for another term under the National Service Trust on this or another project, another Trust Enrollment form must be completed.
 - Print your name, then sign and date the Certification of Service.

6. Hours of service completed

7. Date of Completion

8. Type of Participant Enrollment:
(Mark only one.)

HOURS	
0	736
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9

1096

Corrected
hrs.

DATE		
MO.	DAY	YR.
0	5	1096
1	1	1
2	2	2
3	3	3
4	4	4
5	5	5
6	6	6
7	7	7
8	8	8
9	9	9

- ☒ Full-time
☐ Part-time
☐ Reduced part-time
☐ Summer
☐ Other (Specify: _____)

9. Name of Program/Project: AmeriCorps USDA/RECD

10. Program/Project ID Number: 95ADEDC047

11. Type of termination:

- ☐ Completion of service as scheduled and eligible for an education award.
☐ Early termination for Cause and not eligible for an education award.
☒ Early termination for Compelling Personal Circumstance and eligible for a partial education award.

12. Certification of Service:

I certify that this individual performed the service indicated above.

Name of Authorized Certifying Official

Signature of Authorized Certifying Official

Date



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August 14, 1996

TO: Marc MacQueen, AmeriCorps Project Director, NRCS,
Massachusetts

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

SUBJECT: Educational Awards

This letter is to inform you that the AmeriCorps Member listed below was not awarded a pro-rated education award:

Kenya Cross
Joey Thomas

(b)(6)

The reasons these members had for leaving do not meet the criteria for "compelling personnel circumstances" as defined by the Corporation for National Service. Therefore, they cannot be given a pro-rated award.

The members listed below have been awarded a pro-rated award:

Shiekeishia Jackson
Jeremy Lawrence

These members should receive a letter from the Corporation within 20 days.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (202) 720-6350.