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To: Larry Holmes
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As you know, the AmeriCorps Team in Dade County, Florida has been extraordinarily successful. All of the existing members have expressed an interest in continuing in the program if the site is renewed for FY 97. The AmeriCorps Team in Duval County, Florida has been less than fully successful.

Accordingly, we are seeking to renew the Dade County Program for FY 97 with slightly revised Community Service Objectives (CSOs). We are also seeking to convert the Duval County Program to the South Florida Urban Community Assistance Program (SFUCAP) Office in Broward County, Florida. We have developed a new set of CSOs for SFUCAP.

The AmeriCorps Program ethic fits closely with the ideals and objectives of SFUCAP. The SFUCAP Coordinator has tremendous experience in managing large, diverse Earth Team groups.

Enclosed are the five new CSOs for SFUCAP in Broward County, Florida and four revised CSOs for Dade County, Florida.

Please let me know if there are any questions.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jerry R. Joiner acting for".

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE
COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVE 1
RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS

GRANTEE: USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Site: SFUCAP

COMPONENTS OF OBJECTIVE STATEMENTS: Coastal and shoreline protection.

1. What work will be done? What service activities will your participants engage in?

Members will assist in the planning, coordinating, planting and maintaining of coastal and inland plants to control coastal and shoreline erosion.

2. What is the hoped result for the work/activities described above?

By planting and maintaining erosion control plants, members will reduce erosion and help protect coastlines, shorelines, and streambanks.

3. How will you measure the quality of your product or impact of your service?

Coastline and shoreline will be protected as determined by the Dune Cross Section Survey procedure.

4. By what standard will you gauge success?

Members will plant 5,000 plants which will protect 500 feet of coastline and shoreline.

5. How many individuals will receive the benefit of the work your participants perform?

More than 5,000 residents and tourists visit the beaches in the benefited area per year.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE
COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVE 2
RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS

GRANTEE: USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Site: SFUCAP

COMPONENTS OF OBJECTIVE STATEMENTS: Community and school gardens.

1. What work will be done? What service activities will your participants engage in?

Members will work with homeowners, churches, community associations, counties, cities and other organizations to set up community gardens.

2. What is the hoped result for the work/activities described above?

By establishing community gardens members will teach people how to grow their own food and empower the community.

3. How will you measure the quality of your product or impact of your service?

People will be trained as community gardeners as specified by the Cooperative Extension Service Master Gardener Program.

4. By what standard will you gauge success?

Members will train more than 300 people of which 100 will actually create gardens.

5. How many individuals will receive the benefit of the work your participants perform?

More than 400 people will be fed by the gardens created by the people trained.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE
COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVE 3
RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS

GRANTEE: USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Site: SFUCAP

COMPONENTS OF OBJECTIVE STATEMENTS: Outdoor classrooms.

1. What work will be done? What service activities will your participants engage in?
Members will work with school systems to establish and improve outdoor classrooms.
2. What is the hoped result for the work/activities described above?
By establishing outdoor classrooms members will help children learn about the natural environment of south Florida.
3. How will you measure the quality of your product or impact of your service?
Outdoor classrooms as stipulated, by the Florida League Environmental Educators will be established using the following criteria: proximity, safety, use of native plants, and the incorporation of science and mathematics into the curriculum.
4. By what standard will you gauge success?
Members will create four outdoor classrooms and 25 teachers will utilize the outdoor classrooms.
5. How many individuals will receive the benefit of the work your participants perform?
Five hundred students and 25 teachers.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE
COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVE 4
RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS

GRANTEE: USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Site: SFUCAP

COMPONENTS OF OBJECTIVE STATEMENTS: Outdoor water use audits.

1. What work will be done? What service activities will your participants engage in?
Members will conduct visual, pressure/flow /overlap and distribution uniformity inspections on homeowners and commercial landscapes.
2. What is the hoped result for the work/activities described above?
Broaden homeowners understanding of their water use and water waste.
3. How will you measure the quality of your product or impact of your service?
Measure the amount of water that is used and the amount of water that is wasted using the Catch 3D program.
4. By what standard will you gauge success?
One hundred and fifty audits will be conducted in accordance with NRCS technical guidelines. The amount of water that will be saved is be 58,240 gallons per home per year.
5. How many individuals will receive the benefit of the work your participants perform?
One hundred and fifty families.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL SERVICE
COMMUNITY SERVICE OBJECTIVE 5
RURAL DEVELOPMENT CORPS

GRANTEE: USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Site: SFUCAP

COMPONENTS OF OBJECTIVE STATEMENTS: Compost project.

1. What work will be done? What service activities will your participants engage in?

Members will assist in the planning, coordinating and implementing of a compost distribution system.

2. What is the hoped result for the work/activities described above?

Improved water quality by reducing runoff of water and fertilizer from plant nurseries.

3. How will you measure the quality of your product or impact of your service?

The distribution system will be evaluated on the amount of compost utilized.

4. By what standard will you gauge success?

Members will distribute 500 tons of compost material which will be utilized by fifteen nurseries.

5. How many individuals will receive the benefit of the work your participants perform?

One hundred thousand residents will benefit from improved water quality.

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*AmeriCorps Suggestions
On Conserving Water...*

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Quarterly Report

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To: Joel Berg
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Washington, D.C.

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

Included is a clipping from The Times Union newspaper and various other advertisements describing the Mobile Irrigation Laboratory (MIL) services provided by the Duval County AmeriCorps Team. Also included is a letter from a Jacksonville resident who received MIL services thanking the AmeriCorps Team for a "job well done."

Both the Duval and Dade county AmeriCorps Teams participated in the National Day of Service in an effort to commemorate the victims of the Oklahoma City bombing tragedy. A report of this event and other conservation efforts accomplished by both teams are enclosed.

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