



*Corporation for National
and Community Service*

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CNCS Mission

To improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering.



CNCS Purpose



Provide opportunities for Americans of all ages and backgrounds to engage in service that addresses the national education, public safety, environmental and other human needs to achieve demonstrable results

CNCS



- *Nation's largest grantmaker supporting service and volunteering. Through our Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, and Learn and Serve America programs, we provide opportunities for Americans of all ages and backgrounds to express their patriotism while addressing critical community needs.*

Results



Since the Corporation's inception:

- *More than 1 billion volunteer service hours have been generated by Senior Corps volunteers*
- *More than 400,000 individuals have served through AmeriCorps*
- *More than 1 million high school students participate annually in service-learning initiatives funded by Learn and Serve America*

Senior Corps



- *Through grants and other resources—including the energy and efforts of citizens age 55 and over—Senior Corps helps meet the needs and challenges of America's communities.*

Senior Corps Programs



- Foster Grandparents connects volunteers age 60 and over with children and young people with exceptional needs. Work primarily in school settings on a 1 to 2 ratio with students to improve academic deficiencies.
- The Senior Companion Program brings together volunteers age 60 and over with adults in their community who have difficulty with the simple tasks of day-to-day living. Maintain elderly in independent living situations.
- RSVP offers "one stop shopping" for all volunteers 55 and over who want to find challenging, rewarding, and significant service opportunities in their local communities.

AmeriCorps



- *Begun in 1994, the AmeriCorps programs provide opportunities for Americans to make an intensive commitment to service. The AmeriCorps network of local, state, and national service programs engages more than 70,000 Americans in intensive service opportunities each year.*

AmeriCorps



- *AmeriCorps members serve through more than 3,000 nonprofits, public agencies, and faith-based and other community organizations, helping meet critical needs in education, public safety, health and the environment.*
- *The variety of service opportunities is almost unlimited. Members may tutor and mentor youth, build affordable housing, teach computer skills, clean parks and streams, run after-school programs, or help communities respond to disasters.*
- *Members who complete their year of service receive a \$4,725 scholarship*

AC State and National "Supporting Service Across America"



- Provides financial support through grants to public and nonprofit organizations that sponsor service programs around the country, including hundreds of faith-based and other community organizations, higher education institutions, Indian tribes, and public agencies.*
- These groups recruit, train and place AmeriCorps members to meet critical community needs.*

*AmeriCorps*VISTA*

“Working to Provide Long-term Solutions to Poverty”



- *AmeriCorps*VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) provides full-time members to nonprofit, faith-based and other community organizations, and public agencies to create and expand programs that bring low-income individuals and communities out of poverty.*
- *AmeriCorps*VISTA members leverage human, financial, and material resources to increase the capacity of thousands of low-income areas across the country to address challenges and improve their lives and communities.*



*AC – National Civilian
Community Corps “A team
based opportunity to serve”*

- *NCCC is a full-time, team-based, residential program for men and women ages 18–24. Members live on one of four campuses, located in Denver, Colorado; Sacramento, California; Perry Point, Maryland; and Vinton, Iowa.*

NCCC Mission



Strengthen communities and develop leaders through direct team-based national and community service. In partnership with nonprofit organizations, state and local agencies, and faith-based and other community groups, members complete service projects in all 50 states and some U.S. territories.

Learn and Serve America
*"A most valuable and
powerful lesson"*



- *Provides support to schools, higher education institutions and community-based organizations, that engage students, their teachers, and others in service-learning.*

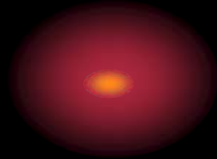
Service learning



A method of teaching and learning that connects classroom lessons with meaningful service to the community. Students build academic skills while strengthening communities through service. Benefits include improved academic achievement, increased student engagement and civic skills and stronger communities.

Learn & Serve Programs

- *School based – K-12*
- *Community based – K-12*
- *Programs for tribes and territories*
- *Higher Education grants*
 - *Individual*
 - *Consortio*



L&S Higher Education



Individual grants - innovative and replicable programs

- Integrate community service or service-learning into the life of a single institution – across an entire department, a school, in the core curriculum, throughout co-curricular activities, or throughout the entire institution.*
- DEADLINE – March 2009*

L&S Higher Education



Consortia - intermediary organizations making subgrants for new programs

- Conduct research in a number of sites*
- Deliver training and technical assistance to a specific target population*
- Grantees build upon proven strategies of integrating community service and service-learning in the curriculum and campus culture, while adapting to the institution's and community's unique environment.*
- DEADLINE March 2009*

L&S Higher Education Special Initiatives



- *President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll – increases public awareness about contributions universities are making through community service and service-learning programs*
- *President's Volunteer Service Award – honors those who make service a central part of their lives. Given to youth ages 14 and under who have completed 50 or more hours of volunteer service; to individuals 15 and older who have completed 100 or more hours; and to families or groups who have completed 200 or more hours.*
- *MLK Day - a national effort to use Dr. King's life and teachings to transform the holiday in his honor into community service that empowers and strengthens local communities.*
- *Match the Eli Segal AmeriCorps Education Award – currently 78 universities*

L & S Higher Education Special Initiatives



Universities Rebuilding America Partnership (URAP)

- *HUD AND CNCS launched the Universities Rebuilding America Partnership (URAP) at Louisiana State University in November 05.*
- *Offers resources and support to engage college and university students, faculty and staff in helping rebuild the Gulf Coast region.*

L&S Special Initiatives



- *HUD - \$5.6 million in grants for universities*
- *CNCS developed a toolkit to help university students, faculty and staff prepare for group trips to help rebuild the devastated areas of the Gulf Coast region.*
 - *Helps campus organizers think through important elements of the travel and work experience such as choosing the best sites and sponsoring organizations; orienting group members for the trip, including training and education; and providing opportunities for individual and group reflection.*
 - *On our website under Learn and Serve*

MLK Day January 19, 2009



*"Everybody can be great,
because anyone can serve.
You only need a heart full of
grace, a soul generated by love."*

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.