Corporation for National and Community Service

Cost-Effective Solutions for Our Communities and Nation

The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), a federal agency and the nation’s largest grantmaker in support of service and volunteering, manages AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, and Volunteer Generation Fund.

Working hand-in-hand with local partners, we tap the ingenuity and can-do spirit of the American people to tackle some of the most-pressing challenges facing our nation. Our service participants, and the community volunteers they coordinate, enable tens of thousands of non-profit organizations, faith-based groups, schools, and municipal agencies to solve tough problems and meet local needs. We serve, we build, and we make an impact that changes lives and communities.

AmeriCorps
80,000 members
20,000 sites

Senior Corps
245,000 members
35,000 sites

National Service By the Numbers

CNCS improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering.

- **325,000** Senior Corps and AmeriCorps members
- **3 million** leveraged volunteers
- **50,000** service locations
- **$1.26 billion** leveraged

Our Focus Areas

- Disaster Services
- Economic & Workforce Development
- Education
- Energy & Conservation
- Health & Aging
- Veterans and Military Families
Getting Things Done for America

AmeriCorps provides opportunities for 80,000 Americans each year to give intensive service to their communities and country. AmeriCorps members tutor and mentor youth, build affordable housing, assist veterans and military families, provide health services, run after-school programs, help communities respond to disasters, and build the capacity of nonprofit organizations. In exchange for a year of full-time service, members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award that can be used to pay for trade school, college, or graduate school; or to pay back qualified loans. Since 1994, more than 1 million Americans have given 1.3 billion hours of service through AmeriCorps.

Making a Difference for Generations

Each year, Senior Corps taps the skills, talents, and experience of more than 245,000 Americans age 55 and older to meet a wide range of community challenges through three programs: Foster Grandparents, RSVP, and Senior Companions. RSVP volunteers help local police departments conduct safety patrols, participate in environmental projects, provide intensive educational services to children and adults, and respond to natural disasters. Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to young people who need extra help with their studies. Senior Companions help homebound seniors maintain independence in their own homes.

Other Programs and Initiatives

- The Volunteer Generation Fund strengthens the nation’s civic infrastructure by helping nonprofits recruit, manage, and support more volunteers.

- The September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance offers Americans the opportunity to honor victims, survivors, and those who rose up in service on September 11, 2001, through charitable service.

- The Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service supports community organizations in their efforts to engage local citizens in service on the Martin Luther King Jr. federal holiday.

- The National Service Knowledge Network provides training and resources to national service programs and nonprofits seeking to expand their capacity and impact.

- The CNCS Volunteering and Civic Life in America report provides comprehensive data to state and local leaders to help them expand the impact of service.