



# AMERICORPS NCCC

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The state of Kentucky is supported by the AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) Southern Region Campus. Located in Vicksburg, Mississippi, the Southern Region Campus houses approximately 160 members each year and serves the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

AmeriCorps NCCC is a full-time, team-based residential program for men and women ages 18-24. NCCC members, assigned to one of five regional campuses, are organized into teams of approximately 10 members and serve in local communities in every state responding to needs that are identified by community-based organizations. Approximately 1,200 members serve in NCCC each year.

Teams serve with local and national organizations, providing an infusion of resources and leading volunteers for Habitat for Humanity, the American Red Cross, and hundreds of other organizations. These dedicated and energetic young adults lead youth development activities, construct and rehabilitate low-income housing, clean up streams, help communities develop emergency plans, and address other pressing local needs. A flexible program structure allows for partnerships with organizations that might lack the capacity to manage grant programs and for strategic collaboration with other national service programs to magnify the impact on the communities served.

As the federal government's direct national service wing, NCCC's structure allows for rapid deployment of teams in emergencies. Trained in CPR, first aid, disaster response and firefighting, NCCC teams have responded to local and national disasters since the program was established in 1994. **Since 2000, NCCC members have served more than 4.7 million hours on over 1,760 disaster services projects.**

## SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN KENTUCKY SINCE 2000

- ★ Completed approximately **110,600** service hours
- ★ Service valued at over **\$2.4 million**
- ★ Coordinated **6,174** volunteers
- ★ Constructed or renovated **106** homes
- ★ Removed **274.2** tons of debris and underbrush
- ★ Planted over **75,000** new trees
- ★ Sorted and distributed **1,539** tons of food and clothing
- ★ Assisted **8,800** people in disaster areas
- ★ Refurbished **560** homes for disaster victims
- ★ Completed **2,811** damage assessments

## SAMPLE PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ The Salvation Army Louisville Command
- ★ Metro United Way
- ★ Kentucky VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster)
- ★ SUCCESS Corps
- ★ Habitat for Humanity – Lexington
- ★ Habitat for Humanity – Madison County
- ★ Hazard-Perry County Housing Development Alliance, Inc.
- ★ Low Income Housing Coalition of East Kentucky, Inc (LINKS)
- ★ American Red Cross
- ★ Housing Oriented Ministries Established for Service, Inc (HOMES)

*"Without AmeriCorps NCCC there would not have been a Build a Bed Blitz. And if there had not been a Blitz, it probably would not have been more than 100 beds built by fewer volunteers. The 700 outside volunteers that came to help build during the 24 hours had the opportunity to meet some of America's finest...How do you judge impact when 500 children sleeping on the floor finally can have a bed? How do you judge impact when because of the beds, children sleep better and better in class the next day? How do you judge impact when a Mom writes to tell us that her child's bed will become an heirloom to be passed down for generations? What AmeriCorps NCCC did for Kentucky will last for years. Healthier, stronger children will help build a healthier, stronger Kentucky."*

**Eileen Cackowski, Executive Director**  
**Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service**

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