



AMERICORPS NCCC

Atlantic Region

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The state of Maryland is supported by the AmeriCorps NCCC Atlantic Region. Located in Perry Point at the Veteran's Administration Medical Center, the Atlantic Region campus houses approximately 200 members and team leaders each year and serves the District of Columbia, the states of Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont, and Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) 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 ten members and serve in local communities in every state responding to needs that are identified by community-based organizations. Approximately 1200 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 partnership with organization 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 MARYLAND SINCE 2000

- ★ Over **499,000** service hours since 2000
- ★ Service valued at **\$10.7** million
- ★ Recruited and coordinated over **5,000** volunteers
- ★ Assisted over **500,000** people in disaster areas
- ★ Served over **200,000** meals to disaster victims
- ★ Tutored over **17,000** students
- ★ Planted **170,000** new trees
- ★ Protected or restored **30,266** acres of wildlife habitats

SAMPLE PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ Girl Scouts of Central Maryland
- ★ Elk Neck State Forest
- ★ Irvine Nature Center
- ★ City Neighbors Charter School
- ★ Kayam Farm at Pearlstone Conference and Retreat Center
- ★ Moveable Feast
- ★ Rebuilding Together Baltimore
- ★ Blue Water Baltimore
- ★ Academy of Success

As a public charter school, City Neighbors is responsible for its three facilities with minimal assistance from Baltimore City Public School System. We continuously foster and collaborate with local businesses, communities & non-profit organizations to help us achieve our vision and mission, creatively with limited funding resources. For the past two years, AmeriCorps NCCC has worked alongside our school community of parents, students and staff members in getting our schools ready for Opening Day. Together, we serve as a model for other public schools (charter or non-charter) on how creative we can be at using local resources to face challenges of costly facility construction, upkeep and maintenance.

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