

At a time of great social need, the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) engages millions of Americans in focused, sustained service to solve community problems, improve the lives of our nation's most vulnerable citizens, strengthen nonprofits and communities, and transform their own lives. Nationwide, CNCS:

- Engages more than **5 million Americans** in results-driven service through **70,000** community and faith-based organizations each year, supporting America's civic infrastructure of food banks, homeless shelters, youth centers senior homes, state service commissions, and volunteer centers at a time of increasing demand for services.
- Places **tens of thousands** of teachers, tutors, and mentors into America's lowest performing schools, helping children learn the skills they need to graduate and be successful in the 21st century economy.
- Leverages **\$800 million** in non-federal resources each year to strengthen impact on communities.
- Strengthens America's nonprofits by mobilizing more than 3 million community volunteers each year.
- Provides **tens of thousands** of young adults a living allowance, work skills, and educational support to help them graduate, go to college, and find work, saving taxpayer dollars.
- Supports Governor-appointed **State Service Commissions** in every state to engage citizens in solving critical problems.

## Impact in Maryland

More than **8,200** citizens of all ages and backgrounds serve in CNCS programs Senior Corps, AmeriCorps or Learn and Serve America in Maryland. Serving through **500** nonprofits, schools, public agencies or faith-based groups across the state, these citizens tutor and mentor at-risk youth, assist veterans and military families, provide health services, restore the environment, respond to disasters, build homes, and recruit and manage volunteers. This year CNCS is committing more than **\$30,780,000** to support 500 nonprofits and communities.

- **Senior Corps** engages more than **6,000** Maryland seniors who annually contribute more than **1,136,040** hours valued at more than **\$24,265,920** through Foster Grandparents, Senior Companions, and RSVP. Last year they:
  - » Provided **270** frail seniors assistance to help them live independently in their own homes and gave respite services to **38** caregivers
  - » Tutored or mentored more than **4,600** children and youth with special or exceptional needs
  - » Helped more than **390** community organizations expand their reach and impact on community challenges
- **AmeriCorps**, including **VISTA** and **NCCC**, engages more than **1,900** Maryland citizens in intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing community needs. Last year they:
  - » Tutored or mentored more than **51,540** disadvantaged children and youth
  - » Provided more than **1,006,450** hours of service valued at more than **\$21,497,708**
  - » Recruited more than **41,370** volunteers
  - » Raised more than **\$27,070,000** in cash or in-kind resources for the organizations they serve
  - » Strengthened the reach and impact of **Maryland** affiliates of the Habitat for Humanity, Teach for America, and other national nonprofits and state and local organizations including Notre Dame Mission Volunteer Program, Volunteer Maryland, University of Maryland Baltimore County and Civic Works
    - » Perry Point is home to a campus of **AmeriCorps NCCC**, a residential team-based program for 18-24 year-olds who carry out disaster, environmental, and education projects across Maryland and neighboring states.
    - » Since 1994, more than **18,000** Maryland residents have served more than **23 million** hours and have qualified for Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than **\$51,090,000**.
- **The Social Innovation Fund (SIF)** mobilizes public and private resources to grow promising, innovative community-based solutions that have evidence of compelling impact in three areas of priority need: economic opportunity, healthy futures, and youth development.
  - » To date, the SIF has awarded **\$95 million** to **16** intermediary grantmakers in **10** states, which have made subgrants to nearly **150** subgrantees in **33** states and the District of Columbia, leveraging **\$250 million** in additional private and non-federal dollars in matching funds.
    - » In Maryland, **four** organizations have received SIF subgrants totaling more than **\$600,000**.

## Maryland Project Highlights

- Volunteer Maryland engages 32 **AmeriCorps** members as volunteer coordinators at local agencies to provide direct, measurable, and impactful service to Maryland citizens and the environment. As a pioneering capacity building program, their direct service results in the engagement of 8,800 of community members from all walks of life and parts of the state. Last year, members and volunteers mentored youth, planted trees, provided health education classes and financial coaching for 65,061 citizens. Volunteer Maryland's strengths include its diversity of issues, geographic reach, member diversity, unique program design, extensive program evaluation, tangible and sustainable results for members and local communities. Approximately 85% of former service sites sustain or expand the volunteer program created by the AmeriCorps member, and 85% of alumni remain active volunteers and leaders in the service field.
- The Real Foods Farm successfully launched the Real Food Farm's innovative Mobile Farmer's Market thanks to the assistance of two AmeriCorps **VISTA** members. The Mobile Market takes fresh, organically grown produce from its farm in Baltimore, MD to its neighborhoods, which have low levels of access to fresh food. In the first 4 months of its operation, the Mobile Market made over 50 home deliveries and ran over 40 community market stands. The farm grew over 10,000 lbs of vegetables and had over 800 volunteers with over 2,300 hours. As a result of the work of the VISTA members, Civic Works has increased its capacity to improve access to fresh produce in Northeast Baltimore City for years to come.
- Pimlico Road Youth Program in Baltimore provides academic support, cultural enrichment and arts instruction in a safe, encouraging, educational environment during out-of-school hours. Some of the activities include daily homework help, tutoring, art, music and dance instruction, performances and workshops on survival skills. Twenty Baltimore City **RSVP** volunteers are serving 50 youth. Thanks to RSVP volunteer Kenneth McElroy, who wrote and received four grants totaling over \$50,000 in 2011, the program will continue to serve students during after-school hours and during its five-week summer camp.
- AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (**NCCC**) has completed over 499,000 hours of service in Maryland since 2000. Among other accomplishments, NCCC has tutored 17,062 students, served 1,0154 meals, restored or protected 21,000 feet of riverbanks or riverbeds, and constructed, renovated, or weatherized 197 homes. Recent project highlights include NCCC's support for the Veteran's Administration Medical Center in Perry Point. NCCC teams helped to upgrade VA medical facilities and to improve the grounds by landscaping and restoring a historic area at the center. The team's support helped to create a more welcoming and hospitable environment for veterans receiving treatment and services at the VA. The team also provided direct assistance to help veterans participate in recreational and occupational therapy activities.
- **Learn and Serve America** provides grants to schools, colleges, and nonprofit groups to engage more than 5,000 Maryland students in community service linked to academic learning and the development of civic skills. The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) provides sub-grants to school districts throughout the state. This service-learning initiative aligns service learning with cleaning the Chesapeake Bay, which is one of Governor O'Malley's signature issues. MSDE seeks to engage more students in environmental service learning, increase academic achievement by providing a stimulating learning experience, and engage students in service-learning that directly addresses community needs in order to build healthier communities.