



AMERICORPS NCCC

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The state of Missouri is supported by the AmeriCorps NCCC Southwest Region campus. Located in the Loretto Heights neighborhood of Denver, the Southwest Region campus houses approximately 320 members and team leaders each year and serves the states of Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas.

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 MISSOURI SINCE 2000

- ★ **199,192** service hours completed
- ★ Service valued estimated at **\$4.3** million
- ★ **22,784** Meals served in disaster areas
- ★ **268,837** People assisted in disaster areas
- ★ **190.9** Tons of debris or exotic vegetation removed
- ★ **43,487** Volunteers recruited or coordinated
- ★ **3,561** Damage assessments completed
- ★ **7,068** Acres of land burned in prescribed burns
- ★ **2,545** Acres of land cleared of unwanted brush or exotic vegetation

SAMPLE PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ American Red Cross
- ★ ReBuild Joplin
- ★ AmeriCorps St. Louis Emergency Response Team
- ★ Missouri Department of Conservation
- ★ Truman Heritage Habitat for Humanity
- ★ St. Louis County Parks
- ★ Shaw Nature Reserve
- ★ Missouri Prairie Foundation, Kansas City, MO
- ★ Leatherwood Matters, Versailles

"The tallgrass prairie currently occupies less than 1% of its former range in Missouri and North America. It is considered the single most imperiled ecosystem in the world today ... AmeriCorps NCCC teams have helped the Missouri Department of Conservation to increase our efforts (and acreages) 2-3X over what we would be able to accomplish without them!"

-John George, Missouri Department of Conservation

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