



AMERICORPS NCCC

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The state of Mississippi 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 MISSISSIPPI SINCE 2000

- ★ Completed **1,044,582** service hours
- ★ Service valued at estimated **\$22.3** million
- ★ Coordinated **46,280** volunteers
- ★ Homes refurbished for disaster victims **1,659**
- ★ Disaster assessments completed **16,748**
- ★ Assisted **261,170** individuals in disaster areas
- ★ Constructed **529** new homes and renovated **1,412** homes
- ★ Served **340,657** meals
- ★ Removed over **1,182** tons of trash and debris
- ★ Removed **206,000** pounds of underbrush

SAMPLE PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ Habitat for Humanity – MS Gulf Coast and Bay-Waveland Area
- ★ Living Independence for Everyone (LIFE) of Mississippi
- ★ Southern Foundation for Homeless Children
- ★ Vicksburg National Military Park
- ★ Hands On Mississippi
- ★ Recover, Rebuild, Restore Southeast MS (R3SM)
- ★ Pat Harrison Waterway District
- ★ Camp Coast Care
- ★ American Red Cross
- ★ Boys and Girls Club of Central Mississippi
- ★ Hope Haven Children's Shelter
- ★ Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge
- ★ Salvation Army of Greater Jackson
- ★ Gulf Coast Research Laboratory
- ★ The Land Trust for the Mississippi Coastal Plain

"During the time they were here, AmeriCorps team member became part of 'our town' and part of 'our organization'. They brought youth and commitment and hope with them when they arrived, not just hammers and hardhats. They served as examples to our locals, who responded by becoming more involved in the concerns and problems within our community"

Terry Latham, Executive Director, Hope Haven Children's Shelter, MS

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