



AMERICORPS NCCC

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The state of New Mexico 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 NEW MEXICO SINCE 2000

- ★ 97,102 service hours completed
- ★ Service valued estimated at \$2.1 million
- ★ 1,070 Students tutored
- ★ 5,892 Hours spent tutoring students
- ★ 140 Houses constructed or renovated
- ★ 30 Miles of hiking trails constructed
- ★ 16.5 Tons of debris or exotic vegetation removed
- ★ 4,054 Acres of land cleared of unwanted brush or exotic vegetation

SAMPLE PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ Bureau of Land Management, Ruidoso
- ★ EcoServants, Ruidoso
- ★ White Sands National Monument, Alomogordo
- ★ Boys and Girls Club of Farmington, Farmington
- ★ Tohaali Community School, Newcomb
- ★ Santa Fe Habitat for Humanity, Santa Fe

I am delighted that our stream structures and flood prevention measures were put into place as proposed in our work plan. I was also very happy when the NCCC team reported that they had a great experience and learned a lot about our Apache people. But mostly I am awed at the growth in confidence, in pride, and sense of self-worth, self-esteem and self-awareness that our own kids experienced as a result of the NCCC visit. This was unexpected, and probably the biggest benefit of this project. In my opinion, this dynamic interaction happened in large part, due to the character and respect that the NCCC demonstrated.

-Mike Montoya, Mescalero Fisheries Department

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