



AMERICORPS NCCC

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The state of Virginia 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 VIRGINIA SINCE 2000

- ★ Completed **301,928** service hours
- ★ Service valued at estimated **\$6.4** million
- ★ Leveraged **1,219** volunteers
- ★ Constructed or restored **365** miles of trail
- ★ Restored or protected **147,750** feet of riverbanks and streambeds
- ★ Served **411,000** meals in times of disaster
- ★ Contained or suppressed fire on over **28,450** acres
- ★ Planted **18,160** trees, shrubs or seedlings

SAMPLE PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP)
- ★ American Red Cross
- ★ Virginia State Parks—Westmoreland, Mason Neck, Caledon, Hungry Mother, Kiptopeke, First Landing, Belle Isle
- ★ Friends of the Russell Fork
- ★ Easter Seals Virginia
- ★ Thomas Jefferson Foundation-Monticello
- ★ National Park Service
- ★ Camp Holiday Trail
- ★ The Nature Conservancy of Virginia
- ★ Camp Highroad
- ★ Philips School
- ★ U.S. Fish and Wildlife

"In my time here, NCCC teams have done great work. They opened up a whole new section of the park by removing 250 fallen trees and stumps and forging 3.5 miles of new hiking and biking trails. These are trails which, without the NCCC team, would have not opened for several more years. They painted several of our buildings, laid several hundred feet of water pipelines, and constructed a butterfly garden, all while finding time to work with not only the park but with other local, state, and federal organizations. For their part and for all the work they did, they probably saved everyone they worked with ten times what they cost to have out in the field."

Tad Waterfield, Kiptopeke State Park, Cape Charles, VA

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