MAYORS DAY of Recognition for National Service

Participate in the Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service on April 1, 2014

What is the Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service?

To spotlight the impact of AmeriCorps and Senior Corps and thank those who serve, mayors across the country will participate in the second annual Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service on April 1, 2014.

On this day, mayors will hold public events and use traditional and social media to highlight the value and impact of national service in our cities. Last year, 832 mayors representing nearly 100 million citizens participated in the inaugural Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service. The initiative is led by the Corporation for National and Community Service; Cities of Service; the National League of Cities; and Mesa, AZ, Mayor Scott Smith, President of the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

Mayor Roy D. Buol of Dubuque, IA recognized AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants in the first annual Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service.

Mayor Christopher B. Coleman of St. Paul, MN, CEO, CNCS, Wendy Spencer, Mayor Scott Smith of Mesa, AZ Seattle, WA, November 15, 2013.

How Can Mayors Participate

Last year, mayors across the country came up with creative ways to recognize the good work of national service participants in their cities. Here are a few ideas on how to get involved:

- **See Our Impact in Action**
  Plan a tour of some of the signature national service locations in your area.
- **Host a Luncheon**
  Host a thank-you event for AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants.
- **Issue a Proclamation**
  Acknowledge the impact of your local AmeriCorps and Senior Corps programs.
- **Write an Op-Ed**
  Profile a national service program or participant making a difference in your city.
- **Invite to City Hall**
  Host a national service meet-and-greet and thank-you event.
- **Host a roundtable with AmeriCorps and Senior Corps**
  Invite national service participants to share their service experiences.
- **Tweet your Support**
  Thank national service participants through your social media platforms. #Mayors4Service
- **Make a Video**
  Make a video recognizing your national service participants.

"Every day, in cities across the country, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps members are making a powerful difference through national service. These dedicated citizens are tackling tough challenges facing our communities – helping kids graduate, fighting poverty, making neighborhoods safer, and much more. I believe in the power of national service and encourage mayors and city officials across the country to join in recognizing the positive impact of AmeriCorps and Senior Corps in our cities."

Mayor Chris Coleman
President, National League of Cities
St. Paul, MN

2013 Highlights

Last year, more than 800 mayors across the country participated in events. Here are a few highlights:

Avondale, AZ: Mayor Marie Lopez-Rogers, then-President of the National League of Cities, signed a proclamation recognizing national service and met with AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants.

Birmingham, AL: AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers participated in the City of Birmingham's City Council meetings where Mayor William A. Bell, Sr. thanked them for the service they provide to the city. The mayor's office provided certificates of appreciation to all national service participants and community partners.

Buffalo, NY: Mayor Brown issued a report on the impact of national service in Buffalo. The report catalogued the cumlative efforts and impacts of AmeriCorps and Senior Corps in the city.

Flint, MI: Mayor Dayne Walling, an AmeriCorps alumnus, issued a proclamation, participated in a roundtable discussion with key stakeholders, hosted a recognition luncheon for the city's "champions of national service," and visited two national service projects in his city.

Manchester, NH: Mayor Ted Gatsas met with representatives of all the national service programs in New Hampshire at City Hall Plaza. The mayor posed for photos, provided each program with their own personalized proclamation, thanked members for all the work that they do and shared refreshments.

Mesa, AZ: Mayor Scott Smith, the current President of the United States Conference of Mayors, held a news conference at a community resource center started by an AmeriCorps VISTA team.

Philadelphia, PA: Mayor Michael Nutter, then-President of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, established the first-annual Mayors Award for Distinguished National Service to AmeriCorps and Senior Corps participants.

How Do I Sign Up?

To learn more or register your city to participate, go to

NationalService.gov/MayorsforService

or contact

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You can also contact the CNCS Director in your state.
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