



# Nebraska

2004 - 2005

**Meeting community needs in Nebraska.** More than **10,000** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement through **48** national service projects across Nebraska. Serving with national and local nonprofits, schools, faith-based organizations and other groups, these citizens tutor and mentor children, coordinate after-school programs, build homes, conduct neighborhood patrols, restore the environment, respond to disasters, build nonprofit capacity and recruit and manage volunteers. This year, the Corporation for National and Community Service will commit more than **\$6,200,000** to support Nebraska communities through three national service initiatives:



**Senior Corps:** More than **6,400** seniors in Nebraska contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs. Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than **8,100** young people who have special needs. Senior Companions help more than **940** homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes. Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteers conduct safety patrols for local police departments, participate in environmental projects, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than **770** groups across Nebraska.



**AmeriCorps:** This year AmeriCorps will provide more than **250** individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, public safety and other pressing needs in communities across Nebraska. Roughly three-quarters of all AmeriCorps grant funding goes to the Governor-appointed Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission, which in turn awards grants to nonprofit groups to respond to local needs. Most of the remainder of the grant funding is distributed by the Corporation directly to multi-state and national organizations through a competitive grants process. Other individuals will serve through AmeriCorps\*VISTA, whose members help bring individuals and communities out of poverty by serving full-time to fight illiteracy, improve health services, create businesses and increase housing opportunities, and AmeriCorps\*NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps), a 10-month, full time residential program for men and women between the ages of 18 and 24. In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members earn an education award of up to \$4,725 that can be used to pay for college or to pay back qualified student loans. Since 1994, more than **2,600** Nebraska residents have qualified for AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than **\$11,200,000**.



**Learn and Serve America:** Learn and Serve America provides grants to schools, colleges, and nonprofit groups to support efforts to engage more than **3,500** Nebraska students in community service linked to academic achievement and the development of civic skills. This type of learning, called service learning, improves communities while preparing young people for a lifetime of responsible citizenship. In addition to providing grants, Learn and Serve America serves as a resource on service and service-learning to teachers, faculty members, schools, and community groups.

Together with the USA Freedom Corps, the Corporation for National and Community Service is working to build a culture of citizenship, service, and responsibility in America. To learn more about the Corporation or any of its programs, visit [www.nationalservice.gov](http://www.nationalservice.gov) or call 202-606-5000 or TTY 202-565-2799.

<b>Senior Corps</b>	<b>Projects</b>	<b>Participants</b>		<b>Program Funding</b>
Foster Grandparent Program	6	448		\$1,317,245
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	13	5,827		\$526,456
Senior Companion Program	2	141		\$419,080
<b>Senior Corps Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>6,416</b>		<b>\$2,262,781</b>

  

<b>AmeriCorps</b>	<b>Program Sites</b>	<b>Participants<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Education Award<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Program Funding</b>
AmeriCorps*State (Competitive)	2	80	\$333,113	\$874,392
AmeriCorps*State (Formula)	4	43	\$141,750	\$371,857
AmeriCorps*National	5	45	\$144,113	\$299,294
AmeriCorps*VISTA	9	45	\$212,625	\$707,760
AmeriCorps*NCCC	3	N/A	N/A	N/A <sup>3</sup>
Education Awards Program (State)	2	39	\$151,200	\$12,800
<b>AmeriCorps Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>\$982,801</b>	<b>\$2,266,103</b>

  

<b>Learn and Serve America</b>	<b>Grantees</b>	<b>Participants</b>	<b>Subgrantees</b>	<b>Program Funding</b>
K-12 School-Based	1	3,535	20	\$103,552
Higher Education	1	24	10	\$368,342
<b>Learn and Serve America Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3,559</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>\$471,894</b>

  

<b>Administrative Funds</b>		<b>Program Funding</b>
Disability Outreach		\$30,000
Program Development & Technical Assistance		\$111,077
State Commission Administration		\$169,321
<b>Administrative Funds Total</b>	N/A	<b>\$310,398</b>
<b>Program Totals</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>10,227</b>
		<b>\$982,801</b>
<b>Total Corporation Funding (including AmeriCorps Education Awards)</b>		<b>\$6,293,977</b>

<sup>1</sup>This figure represents the number of awarded positions available to be filled in the 2004 - 2005 program year. For AmeriCorps\*VISTA and the Education Awards Program, this represents the actual number of AmeriCorps members in active service.

<sup>2</sup>This figure represents the maximum potential value of AmeriCorps Education Awards that can be earned by AmeriCorps members serving in Nebraska. The award can be used in any state to pay for college, graduate school, vocational training, or to pay back student loans. The education award total is included in total Corporation funding.

<sup>3</sup>Nebraska is served by the AmeriCorps\*NCCC campus located in Denver, Colorado.  
 In the past year, AmeriCorps\*NCCC teams have served on projects in Brownville, Fairbury and Omaha.



# Senior Corps in Nebraska

Primary City	Program Name <i>Sponsor Organization (if different)</i>	Number of Participants	Program Type
Alliance	Box Butte County RSVP <i>City of Alliance</i>	357	RSVP
Beatrice	Pioneer FGP <i>Blue Valley Community Action Inc</i>	90	Foster Grandparent Program
Chadron	Chadron FGP <i>Northwest Community Action Council</i>	32	Foster Grandparent Program
Chadron	Chadron RSVP <i>Northwest Community Action Council</i>	540	RSVP
Crawford	Crawford RSVP <i>Crawford Cultural Ctr</i>	300	RSVP
Falls City	RSVP of Richardson County <i>The Richardson Foundation Inc</i>	280	RSVP
Gering	Panhandle FGP <i>Panhandle Community Services</i>	98	Foster Grandparent Program
Grand Island	Grand Island RSVP <i>Senior Citizens Industries Inc</i>	400	RSVP
Grand Island	Hall/Adams/Buffalo FGP <i>Senior Citizens Industries Inc</i>	88	Foster Grandparent Program
Hastings	Adams/Webster Co'S RSVP <i>Senior Action Inc</i>	625	RSVP
Kearney	Retired and Senior Volunteer Program <i>Mid-Nebraska Community Action</i>	300	RSVP
Lincoln	Lincoln Area RSVP <i>Lincoln Area Agency on Aging</i>	680	RSVP
Lincoln	Lincoln/Lancaster FGP <i>Lincoln Area Agency on Aging</i>	46	Foster Grandparent Program
Lincoln	SCP of Lincoln <i>Lincoln Area Agency on Aging</i>	46	Senior Companion Program
North Platte	North Platte RSVP <i>City of North Platte</i>	616	RSVP
Ogallala	Ogallala City/Keith Co RSVP <i>City of Ogalla</i>	290	RSVP
Omaha	Eastern Ne Off on Aging RSVP <i>Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging</i>	1,078	RSVP



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Omaha	Eastern Nebraska FGP <i>Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging</i>	94	Foster Grandparent Program
Omaha	SCP Omaha/Eastern Ne <i>Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging</i>	95	Senior Companion Program
Omaha	RSVP of Southwest Iowa <i>Presbyterian Outreach, Inc.</i>	36	RSVP
Rushville	RSVP of Sheridan County <i>Sheridan County Commissioners</i>	325	RSVP
<b>Total Number of Senior Corps Volunteers</b>		6,416	



# AmeriCorps in Nebraska

Primary City	Program Name <i>Sponsor Organization (if different)</i>	# of Members	Program Type
Fairbury	BVCA AmeriCorps <i>Blue Valley Community Action Inc</i>	12	AmeriCorps*State
Kearney	Service Learning Corps of Rural NE: An AmeriCorps Program <i>Board of Regents, University of Nebraska at Kearney</i>	25	Education Awards Program (State)
Lincoln	City of Lincoln Parks & Recreation <i>City of Lincoln</i>	17	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Lincoln	Urban Revitalization Project <i>City of Lincoln - Finance for Parks &amp; Rec, Libraries</i>	4	AmeriCorps*State
Lincoln	Citizenship AmeriCorps <i>Lincoln Action Program</i>	10	AmeriCorps*National
Lincoln	YouthBuild AmeriCorps Program <i>Lincoln Action Program, Inc</i>	14	Education Awards Program (State)
Lincoln	commUNITY AmeriCorps Team <i>Lincoln Action Program, Inc</i>	43	AmeriCorps*State
Lincoln	United Methodist Ministries <i>United Methodist Ministries</i>	8	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Omaha	Alternatives in Retention <i>College of Saint Mary</i>	6	AmeriCorps*State
Omaha	Community Building <i>Habitat for Humanity</i>	10	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Omaha	SUN AmeriCorps <i>Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska</i>	37	AmeriCorps*State
Omaha	Outreach Coalition <i>Medical Outreach Coalition</i>	1	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Omaha	Community Development <i>Mosaic Community</i>	2	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Omaha	Community Initiatives <i>NuVision Housing Services, Inc</i>	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Omaha	Omaha Habitat for Humanity	9	AmeriCorps*National
Omaha	Presbyterian Outreach, Inc.	1	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Omaha	Youth Volunteer Corps of Omaha <i>United Way of the Midlands</i>	1	AmeriCorps*National
Omaha	Urban Education Service Corps - Omaha <i>University of Nebraska, Omaha</i>	25	AmeriCorps*National



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Omaha	MMI AmeriCorps <i>University of Nebraska Medical Center (MMI) Sponsored Programs</i>	21	AmeriCorps*State
Rushville	Volunteers Organized to Assist in Disasters (VOAD) <i>American Red Cross</i>	1	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Scottsbluff	Disaster Preparedness <i>North Platte Valley Red Cross</i>	1	AmeriCorps*VISTA
<b>Total Number of AmeriCorps Members</b>		<b>252</b>	

Notes:

If there are programs with identical names in separate entries, they are different grants to the same organization. If no members are shown, either the grant is for planning or technical assistance, or enrollment data was not available at the time of printing.



# Learn and Serve America in Nebraska

Primary City	Program Name <i>Sponsor Organization (if different)</i>	Number of Participants	Program Type
Albion	Boone Central Public School	110	K-12 School-Based
Arlington	Arlington Public Schools	40	K-12 School-Based
Bancroft	Bancroft-Rosalie Community Schools	38	K-12 School-Based
Bellevue	Bellevue Public Schools	1,000	K-12 School-Based
Big Springs	South Platte Public Schools	3	K-12 School-Based
Chadron	Chadron State College	1	Higher Education
Crete	Crete Middle School	10	K-12 School-Based
Duning	Sandhills Public Schools	150	K-12 School-Based
Fremont	Midland Lutheran College	1	Higher Education
Gordon	Gordon High School	20	K-12 School-Based
Kearney	University of Nebraska-Kearney	1	Higher Education
Lincoln	Board of Regents, University of Nebraska	4	Higher Education
Lincoln	Midwest Consortium for Service-Learning in Higher Education <i>Board of Regents, University of Nebraska</i>		Higher Education
Lincoln	Lincoln Public Schools	60	K-12 School-Based
Lincoln	LSA School-Based Formula Program <i>Nebraska Department of Education</i>		K-12 School-Based
Lincoln	Nebraska Wesleyan University	2	Higher Education
Murdock	Elmwood-Murdock	400	K-12 School-Based
North Platte	North Platte Public Schools	324	K-12 School-Based
Ogallala	Ogallala Public Schools	5	K-12 School-Based
Omaha	Creighton University	4	Higher Education
Omaha	Metropolitan Community College	1	Higher Education
Omaha	Omaha Public Schools	25	K-12 School-Based
Omaha	Omaha Public Schools	67	K-12 School-Based
Omaha	Omaha Public Schools	203	K-12 School-Based
Omaha	University of Nebraska-Omaha	5	Higher Education
Omaha	Westside Community Schools	1,000	K-12 School-Based
Peru	Peru State College	1	Higher Education
Rushville	Rushville High School	50	K-12 School-Based
Scottsbluff	Educational Service Unit 13	30	K-12 School-Based
Wayne	Wayne State University	4	Higher Education
<b>Total Number of Learn and Serve Participants</b>		<b>3,559</b>	



# Learn and Serve America in Nebraska

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*Presidential Freedom Scholarships: Two students from the junior or senior class in each high school in the United States may receive a \$1000 college scholarship for outstanding leadership in service to community. This is a matching scholarship: \$500 is provided by a local organization such as the PTA or Kiwanis and \$500 is provided by Learn and Serve America. Since 2000, more than 325 Nebraska students have received these scholarships.*

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