



Nebraska 2011-2012



MEETING COMMUNITY NEEDS IN NEBRASKA.

More than 7,500 people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement through national service in Nebraska. Serving with more than 850 national and local nonprofits, schools, faith-based organizations and other groups, these citizens tutor and mentor children, support veterans and military families, provide health services, restore the environment, respond to disasters, increase economic opportunity, and recruit and manage volunteers. This year, the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) will commit more than \$6,600,000 to support Nebraska communities through national service initiatives including:

Senior Corps: More than 3,800 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 2,700 young people who have special needs. Senior Companions help more than 500 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes. RSVP volunteers conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 810 groups across Nebraska.

AmeriCorps: This year AmeriCorps will provide more than 350 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic, and other pressing needs in communities across Nebraska. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to the Governor-appointed ServeNebraska, which in turn awards grants to nonprofit groups to respond to local needs. Most of the remainder of the grant funding is distributed by CNCS directly to multi-state and national organizations through a competitive grants process. Other individuals 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 that can be used to pay for college or to pay back qualified student loans. Since 1994, more than 4,600 Nebraska residents have served more than 8 million hours and have qualified for Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than \$17,100,000.

Learn and Serve America: Learn and Serve America provides grants to schools, colleges, and nonprofit groups to engage more than 3,400 Nebraska students in community service linked to academic learning and the development of civic skills. This type of learning, called service-learning, strengthens communities, improves academic engagement, and prepares young people for a lifetime of responsible citizenship. Learn and Serve America also provides curricula and other resources to teachers, faculty members, schools, and community groups.

The Corporation for National and Community Service is a federal agency that improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering. CNCS annually engages more than five million Americans in service to meet local needs through Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, and Learn and Serve America, and leads President Obama's national call to service initiative, United We Serve. To learn more visit NationalService.gov or Serve.gov or call 202-606-5000 or TTY 1-800-833-3722.

Nebraska at a Glance

| Senior Corps | Projects | Participants | | Program Funding |
|---|----------|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Foster Grandparent Program | 6 | 437 | | \$1,406,928 |
| Retired and Senior Volunteer Program | 6 | 3,240 | | \$354,745 ¹ |
| Senior Companion Program | 2 | 137 | | \$415,920 |
| SENIOR CORPS TOTAL | 14 | 3,814 | | \$2,177,593 |
| AmeriCorps | Projects | Participants ² | Education Award ³ | Program Funding |
| AmeriCorps State Competitive | 2 | 71 | \$238,929 | \$542,791 |
| AmeriCorps State Formula | 11 | 210 | \$587,551 | \$1,349,335 |
| AmeriCorps NCCC | 5 | N/A | N/A | - ⁴ |
| AmeriCorps Fixed Amount Grant | 4 | 25 | \$75,013 | - |
| AmeriCorps Indian Tribes | 2 | 23 | \$122,100 | \$284,517 |
| AmeriCorps VISTA | 3 | 25 | \$138,750 | \$300,825 |
| AMERICORPS TOTAL | 27 | 354 | \$1,162,343 | \$2,477,468 |
| Learn and Serve America | Grantees | Participants | Education Award | Program Funding |
| K-12 School-Based | 2 | 857 | N/A | \$285,450 ⁵ |
| Higher Education | 1 | 2,572 | N/A | \$99,050 |
| LEARN AND SERVE TOTAL | 3 | 3,429 | - | \$384,500 |
| Other Funding | Grantees | | | Program Funding |
| Disability Outreach | 1 | | | \$50,395 ⁶ |
| Program Development & Technical Assistance | 1 | | | \$83,800 ⁶ |
| State Commission Administration | 1 | | | \$276,800 ⁶ |
| OTHER FUNDING TOTAL | 3 | - | - | \$410,995 |
| PROGRAM TOTALS | 47 | 7,597 | \$1,162,343 | \$5,450,556 |
| TOTAL CNCS FUNDING (including Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards) | | | | \$6,612,899 |

Notes: The data shown represents a snapshot in time. CNCS project sites, participants, and funding change throughout the year, so the data may not reflect current conditions.

¹ RSVP funding levels reflect the actual amount awarded to each RSVP grantee in FY 2011. The FY 2011 budget reduction was implemented by either extending or compressing the grant period, with some grants receiving a 9-month budget period and others receiving a 15-month budget period.

² This figure represents the number of awarded positions available to be filled in the 2011 - 2012 program year. For AmeriCorps VISTA, this represents the actual number of AmeriCorps members in active service.

³ This figure represents the maximum potential value of Segal 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 CNCS funding.

⁴ Nebraska is served by the AmeriCorps NCCC campus located in Vinton, Iowa. In the past year, AmeriCorps NCCC teams have served on projects in Omaha, Pawnee City.

⁵ Fiscal Year 2011 and 2012 funding was eliminated for Learn and Serve America but some programs are operating funded by previously approved multi_year grants.

⁶ Funding levels reflect Fiscal Year 2011 appropriations. Funding for this account was reduced in Fiscal Year 2012.

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> | 418 | RSVP |
| Beatrice | Pioneer FGP <i>Blue Valley Community Action Inc.</i> | 80 | Foster Grandparent Program |
| Chadron | Chadron FGP <i>Northwest Community Action Partnership</i> | 31 | Foster Grandparent Program |
| Chadron | Dawes & Sioux County RSVP <i>Northwest Community Action Partnership</i> | 405 | RSVP |
| Gering | Panhandle FGP <i>Panhandle Community Services</i> | 98 | Foster Grandparent Program |
| Hastings | Senior Action, Inc. Foster Grandparent Program <i>Senior Action Inc.</i> | 88 | Foster Grandparent Program |
| Hastings | Adams/Webster Counties RSVP <i>Senior Action Inc.</i> | 510 | RSVP |
| Lincoln | Lincoln/Lancaster FGP <i>Aging Partners</i> | 46 | Foster Grandparent Program |
| Lincoln | SCP of Lincoln <i>Aging Partners</i> | 43 | Senior Companion Program |
| North Platte | North Platte Area RSVP <i>City of North Platte</i> | 641 | RSVP |
| Ogallala | Ogallala City/Keith County RSVP <i>City of Ogallala</i> | 302 | RSVP |
| Omaha | Eastern Nebraska FGP <i>Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging</i> | 94 | Foster Grandparent Program |
| Omaha | Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging RSVP <i>Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging</i> | 964 | RSVP |
| Omaha | SCP Omaha/Eastern Nebraska <i>Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging</i> | 94 | Senior Companion Program |
| TOTAL NUMBER OF SENIOR CORPS PARTICIPANTS | | 3,814 | |

Notes: The city column refers to the location of sponsor organization. Volunteers may be serving in other locations than the city listed.

AmeriCorps in Nebraska



| Primary City | Program Name <i>Sponsor Organization (if different)</i> | Number of Participants | Program Type |
|--------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Beatrice | SCA Nebraska <i>Student Conservation Association, Inc.</i> | 2 | AmeriCorps Fixed Amount Grant |
| Fairbury | BVCA AmeriCorps <i>Blue Valley Community Action Inc.</i> | 8 | AmeriCorps State |
| Hastings | Hastings Literacy Program AmeriCorps <i>Hastings Literacy Program, Inc.</i> | 14 | AmeriCorps State |
| Kearney | Rural Corps of South Central Nebraska <i>Kearney Area Community Foundation</i> | 24 | AmeriCorps State |
| Lincoln | NE - University of Nebraska Lincoln <i>Regis University-Colorado Campus Compact</i> | 13 | AmeriCorps Fixed Amount Grant |
| Lincoln | Nebraska Campus Compact Service Scholars <i>Board of Regents, University of Nebraska</i> | 36 | AmeriCorps State |
| Lincoln | Partners in Achievement <i>Center for People in Need</i> | 17 | AmeriCorps State |
| Lincoln | ECHO AmeriCorps <i>City of Lincoln</i> | 35 | AmeriCorps State |
| Lincoln | HUB AmeriCorps <i>HUB Central Access Point for Young Adults</i> | 16 | AmeriCorps State |
| Lincoln | Rural Improvement for Schooling and Employment (RISE) <i>Nebraska State Probation</i> | 16 | AmeriCorps State |
| Lincoln | Lincoln Public Schools Federal Programs <i>Lincoln Public Schools</i> | 6 | AmeriCorps VISTA |
| Lyons | Growing Foods for Health and the Environment <i>Center for Rural Affairs</i> | 6 | AmeriCorps State |
| Macy | Bright Futures AmeriCorps Team <i>Omaha Tribe</i> | 12 | AmeriCorps Indian Tribes |
| Niobrara | Santee AmeriCorps Program <i>Santee Sioux Nation</i> | 11 | AmeriCorps Indian Tribes |
| Omaha | Omaha Admission Possible <i>Admission Possible</i> | 2 | AmeriCorps Fixed Amount Grant |
| Omaha | Health Center Association of Nebraska <i>National Association of Community Health Centers, Inc.</i> | 8 | AmeriCorps Fixed Amount Grant |
| Omaha | LFS AmeriCorps <i>Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska</i> | 39 | AmeriCorps State |
| Omaha | MCC AmeriCorps <i>Metropolitan Community College</i> | 17 | AmeriCorps State |
| Omaha | MMI AmeriCorps <i>University of Nebraska Medical Center (MMI) Sponsored Programs</i> | 32 | AmeriCorps State |
| Omaha | AmeriCorps-Youthbuild Omaha <i>Goodwill Industries, Inc. (Omaha)</i> | 21 | AmeriCorps State |

AmeriCorps in Nebraska



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|--|---|---------------------------|------------------|
| Omaha | City of Omaha, Cities of Service City of Omaha | 2 | AmeriCorps VISTA |
| Omaha | MCC Vista Metropolitan Community College | 17 | AmeriCorps VISTA |
| TOTAL NUMBER OF AMERICORPS PARTICIPANTS | | 354 | |

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.

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Learn and Serve America in Nebraska



| Primary City | Sponsor Organization | Number of Participants | Program Type |
|---|---|------------------------|-------------------|
| Beatrice | Beatrice Public Schools | 100 | K-12 School-Based |
| Crawford | Crawford Public Schools | 60 | K-12 School-Based |
| Lincoln | Nebraska Department of Education | | K-12 School-Based |
| Omaha | Board of Regents of University of Nebraska, dba University of Nebraska at Omaha | 2,572 | Higher Education |
| Omaha | Omaha Community Foundation | 63 | K-12 School-Based |
| Omaha | United Way of the Midlands | 67 | K-12 School-Based |
| Scottsbluff | Educational Service Unit 13 | 5 | K-12 School-Based |
| Wakefield | Educational Service Unit 1 | 147 | K-12 School-Based |
| Winnebago | Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska | 415 | K-12 School-Based |
| TOTAL NUMBER OF LEARN AND SERVE PARTICIPANTS | | 3,429 | |

Notes: If no participants are shown, either the grant is for planning or technical assistance, or enrollment data was not available at the time of printing, or the organization listed is the primary grantee and the participants are listed by its subgrantees. The city column refers to the location of the sponsor organization. Participants may be serving in other locations than the city listed.

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