



## National Service in Puerto Rico



### MEETING COMMUNITY NEEDS IN PUERTO RICO

More than 2,100 people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement through national service in Puerto Rico. Serving at more than 150 locations throughout the state, 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 \$8,560,000 to support Puerto Rico communities through national service initiatives. CNCS invests in cost-effective community solutions--working hand in hand with local partners to improve lives, expand economic opportunity, and engage citizens in solving problems in their communities. Serving in many of the state's most impoverished communities, CNCS provides vital support to schools, food banks, homeless shelters, community health clinics, youth centers, veterans service facilities, and other nonprofit and faith-based organizations at a time of growing demand for services. Through a unique public-private partnership, this federal investment will leverage an additional \$1,630,000 in other resources to strengthen community impact, build local support, and increase return on taxpayer dollars.

**AmeriCorps:** This year AmeriCorps will provide more than 280 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic, and other pressing needs in communities across Puerto Rico. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to the Puerto Commission for Volunteerism & Community Service, 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 5,000 Puerto Rico residents have served more than 10 million hours and have qualified for Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than \$14,690,000.

**Senior Corps:** More than 1,800 seniors in Puerto Rico 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 2,500 young people who have special needs. Senior Companions help more than 2,100 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes. RSVP volunteers conduct safety patrols, renovate homes, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 35 groups across Puerto Rico.

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 national days of service; improves communities through the Social Innovation Fund, and leads President Obama's national call to service initiative, United We Serve. To learn more visit [NationalService.gov](http://NationalService.gov) or [Serve.gov](http://Serve.gov) or call 202-606-5000 or TTY 1-800-833-3722.

# Puerto Rico At a Glance

AmeriCorps	Projects	Service Locations	Participants <sup>1</sup>	Education Scholarships <sup>2</sup>	Program Funding
AmeriCorps National	1	1	16	\$88,800	\$104,000 <sup>3</sup>
AmeriCorps State Formula	8	4	92	\$346,875	\$819,999
AmeriCorps VISTA	24	26	173	\$960,150	\$2,752,257
<b>AMERICORPS TOTAL</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>\$1,395,825</b>	<b>\$3,676,256</b>
Senior Corps	Projects	Service Locations	Participants	Education Scholarships	Program Funding
Foster Grandparent Program	4	61	609	-	\$1,728,783
RSVP	3	35	785	-	\$203,005
Senior Companion Program	5	27	444	-	\$1,395,644
<b>SENIOR CORPS TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>1,838</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$3,327,432</b>
Other Funding	Projects	Service Locations	Participants	Education Scholarships	Program Funding
State Commission Operations Support	1	-	-	-	\$164,000
<b>OTHER FUNDING TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$164,000</b>
<b>PROGRAM TOTALS</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>2,119</b>	<b>\$1,395,825</b>	<b>\$7,167,688</b>
<b>TOTAL CNCS FUNDING</b> (including Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards)					<b>\$8,563,513</b>
<b>TOTAL LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT</b> (Non-CNCS Resources)					<b>\$1,632,018 <sup>4</sup></b>
<b>TOTAL CNCS FUNDING + TOTAL LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT</b>					<b>\$10,195,531</b>

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.

- This figure represents the number of awarded positions available to be filled in the 2012 - 2013 program year. For AmeriCorps VISTA, this represents the actual number of VISTA members in active service.
- This figure represents the maximum potential value of Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards that can be earned by AmeriCorps members serving in Puerto Rico. 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.
- AmeriCorps National figures may include national programs headquartered in the state and/or operating sites of national programs that are headquartered in other states. Funding reflects the estimated proportionate share of the national grant associated with operating sites in this report. Some national organizations do not report operating site data, or it was not available at time of publishing, so figures may not reflect current conditions.
- As part of its public-private partnership approach, CNCS requires grantees to leverage additional resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on the federal investment. This figure reflects non-CNCS cash and in-kind resources that CNCS grantees and project sponsors have committed to raise to support their programming activities across the state.



AMERICORPS TOTALS	PARTICIPANTS	PROGRAMS/PROJECTS
CURRENT (as of March 11, 2013)	281	33
COMPLETED (within last 12 months)	97	15

Primary City	Program/Project Name Sponsor Organization	Number of Participants	Program Type
Aguada	AmeriCorps Stregthening Rays of Hope Project (Current) Programa De Apoyo y Enlace Comunitario, Inc.	11	AmeriCorps State Formula
Aguada	Programa de Apoyo y Enlace Comunitario, Inc. (Current) Programa De Apoyo y Enlace Comunitario, Inc.	11	AmeriCorps VISTA
Aguadilla	La Tierra Prometida, Inc. (Completed) La Tierra Prometida, Inc.	-	AmeriCorps VISTA
Arecibo	American Cancer Society of P.R. (Current) American Cancer Society	5	AmeriCorps VISTA
Arecibo	CSJ AmeriCorps Program (Completed) Centro de Servicios a la Juventud, Inc	20	AmeriCorps State Formula
Arecibo	Oficina para la Promocion y el Desarrollo Humano (Current) Oficina para la Promocion y el Desarrollo Humano	2	AmeriCorps VISTA
Arecibo	Volunteer Infrastructure Program for ACS/PR (Current) American Cancer Society	1	AmeriCorps VISTA
Catano	Asociacion Pro Juventud y Com Bo Palmas (Current) Asociacion Pro Juventud y Comunidad del Barrio Palmas	7	AmeriCorps State Formula
Cidra	COSSMA (Current) National Association of Community Health Centers, Inc.	16	AmeriCorps National
Cidra	Promotores de Salud - State (Completed) COSSMA	8	AmeriCorps State Formula
Cupey	VIDAS Servicios Sociales Episcopales (Current) VIDAS Servicios Sociales Episcopales	2	AmeriCorps VISTA
Guaynabo	Puerto Rico Youth At Risk, Inc. (Current) Puerto Rico Youth At Risk, Inc.	10	AmeriCorps VISTA
Guaynabo	Scuba Dogs Society (Completed) Scuba Dogs Society	-	AmeriCorps VISTA
Gurabo	SUAGM: UT Job Development and UNE CTC Initiatives (Current) Sistema Universitario Ana G. Mendez, Inc.	18	AmeriCorps VISTA
Hatillo	Centro de Integracion e Intervencion Paso a Paso (Current) Centro de Intervencion e Integracion Paso a Paso, Inc.	5	AmeriCorps VISTA
Hatillo	Centro de Intervencion e Integracion Paso a Paso, Inc. (Current) Centro de Intervencion e Integracion Paso a Paso, Inc.	3	AmeriCorps VISTA
Loiza	Evaluation Program (Current) Taller Salud, Inc.	2	AmeriCorps VISTA
Loíza	Teaching Support Program (Current) CENTRO ESPERANZA, INCORPORADO	3	AmeriCorps State Formula
Maunabo	Municipality of Maunabo (Completed) Municipality of Maunabo	-	AmeriCorps VISTA
Mayaguez	GOALS-Government and Organizations Allied to Serve (Completed) Municipio de Mayaguez	23	AmeriCorps State Formula
Mayaguez	Mayaguez Children's Library (Current) Mayaguez Children's Library	3	AmeriCorps VISTA
Naguabo	Coordinando tu Comunidad (Completed) Comite Desarrollo Social y Cultural Daguao Inc.	-	AmeriCorps VISTA
Patillas	Promoting healthy styles among the obese population (Completed) Centro de Servicios Primarios de Salud de Patillas, Inc.	8	AmeriCorps State Formula
Ponce	Ponce NHS Capacity and Community Building (Current) Ponce Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc.	2	AmeriCorps VISTA
Ponce	Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico (Current) Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico	2	AmeriCorps VISTA
Ponce	VISTA Health Service Campaign (Current) Consejo de Salud de Puerto Rico	10	AmeriCorps VISTA
Sabana Seca	Niños de Nueva Esperanza (Current) Niños de Nueva Esperanza Inc	2	AmeriCorps VISTA



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San Antonio	Proyecto La Nueva Esperanza (Current) Proyecto La Nueva Esperanza, Inc.	2	AmeriCorps VISTA
San Juan	ALAPAS VISTA Project (Completed) Alianza Laura Aponte por la Paz Social	-	AmeriCorps VISTA
San Juan	AmeriCorps VISTA Pathways Out of Poverty Program (Current) Fundacion Sila M. Calderon	14	AmeriCorps VISTA
San Juan	Asesores Financieros Comunitarios (Completed) Asesores Financieros Comunitarios 1	-	AmeriCorps VISTA
San Juan	Cantera Social Response (Current) Cantera Peninsula Project	30	AmeriCorps State Formula
San Juan	Centro para Puerto Rico (Current) Fundacion Sila M. Calderon	10	AmeriCorps State Formula
San Juan	Environmental Stewardship as a Tool for Social Change (Current) Corporacion del Proyecto ENLACE del Cano Martin Pena	8	AmeriCorps State Formula
San Juan	Iniciativa Comunitaria AmeriCorps Project (Current) Iniciativa Comunitaria de Investigacion, Inc.	8	AmeriCorps State Formula
San Juan	Meeting Intellectual Disability Social & Recreational Needs (Current) Instituto Psicopedagogico de PR	15	AmeriCorps State Formula
San Juan	Prensa Comunitaria (Completed) Prensa Comunitaria	-	AmeriCorps VISTA
San Juan	Programa de Voluntarios (Current) The Salvation Army	16	AmeriCorps VISTA
San Juan	Re-ACE (Completed) Red de Ayuda Comunal de Emergencias, Inc.	-	AmeriCorps VISTA
San Juan	Re-ACE (Current) Red de Ayuda Comunal de Emergencias, Inc.	13	AmeriCorps VISTA
San Juan	Restoring the Caño (Current) Corporacion del Proyecto ENLACE del Cano Martin Pena	10	AmeriCorps VISTA
San Juan	Sapientis AmeriCorps Planning Grant (Completed) Sapientis	-	AmeriCorps State Formula
San Juan	Social Media and Donor Outreach Program (Completed) Puerto Rico Community Foundation	-	AmeriCorps VISTA
San Juan	University of Sacred Heart (Completed) Tufts University/MA Campus Compact	38	AmeriCorps National
San Juan	University of the Sacred Heart (Current) University of the Sacred Heart	6	AmeriCorps VISTA
San Juan	University of the Sacred Heart VISTA Project (Current) University of the Sacred Heart	9	AmeriCorps VISTA
Utua	Strengthening Community Leadership Skills (Current) Path Stone Corporation	7	AmeriCorps VISTA
Yabucoa	Coalition Pro-Homeless of the Eastern Area of Puerto Rico (Current) Coalition Pro-Homeless of the Eastern Area	18	AmeriCorps VISTA

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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# Senior Corps in Puerto Rico



SENIOR CORPS TOTALS	PARTICIPANTS	PROGRAMS
CURRENT (as of March 11, 2013)	1,838	12
COMPLETED (within last 12 months)	0	0

Primary City	Program Name Sponsor Organization	Number of Participants	Program Type
Bayamon	Hope for the Aged FGP (Current) Hope for the Aged Inc.	246	Foster Grandparent Program
Caguas	Senior Companion Program / Programa Amigos Acompañantes (Current) Central Region Board on Elderly Affairs	63	Senior Companion Program
Cayey	Cayey FGP (Current) Corp Reg De Guayama De Srvs Comunidad	104	Foster Grandparent Program
Juncos	Senior Companion Program -Juncos (Current) Hope for the Aged Inc.	84	Senior Companion Program
Mercedita	Consejo de Salud de Puerto Rico, Inc. (Current) Consejo de Salud de Puerto Rico	53	Senior Companion Program
San Juan	Alzheimer's SCP (Current) PR Office of the Ombudsman for the Retirees and the Elderly (OPPTE)	133	Senior Companion Program
San Juan	Municipality of San Juan FGP (Current) Municipality of San Juan	148	Foster Grandparent Program
San Juan	OPPTE-Ponce's FGP (Current) PR Office of the Ombudsman for the Retirees and the Elderly (OPPTE)	111	Foster Grandparent Program
San Juan	RSVP Admin for Families & Children (Current) Admin. for Families & Children-Dept. of Family	360	RSVP
San Juan	RSVP Municipality of San Juan (Current) Municipality of San Juan	175	RSVP
San Juan	SCP San Juan (Current) Board of Community Service-Hope for the Aged Inc.	111	Senior Companion Program
Yabucoa	Corporacion Gericola RSVP (Current) Gericulture Corp. Humacao Region	250	RSVP

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