



AMERICORPS NCCC

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Arizona is supported by the AmeriCorps NCCC Southwest Region campus. Located in the Loretto Heights neighborhood of Denver, the Southwest Region campus serves as the base for approximately 600 traditional NCCC members and team leaders each year, and serves the states of Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas.

AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) is a full-time, team-based residential program for men and women ages 18-24. NCCC members are assigned to one of five regional campuses into teams of approximately ten members, and complete 2- to 3-month projects responding to local communities' needs in every state. Teams serve with local and national organizations, infusing resources and leading volunteers for hundreds of organizations like Habitat for Humanity and the American Red Cross. These 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.

NCCC's flexible program structure allows both the opportunity to partner with non-profit or government organizations that might lack the capacity to manage longer grant programs, as well as the ability to create strategic collaborations with other national service programs and federal agencies to magnify the impact on communities served. In 2012, NCCC collaborated with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and created a new unit of members called FEMA Corps. These teams are devoted solely to FEMA disaster preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery efforts, which strengthen the nation's ability to respond to and recover from disasters while expanding career opportunities for young people. Between the traditional and FEMA Corps, up to 2,800 members serve with AmeriCorps NCCC each year.

In addition to the FEMA Corps, the traditional NCCC teams are coordinated for rapid disaster deployment anywhere in the country. Trained in CPR, first aid, disaster response and firefighting, teams have responded to local and national disasters since the program was established in 1994. Since 2000, members have served more than 5.1 million hours on 1900 disaster services projects across the nation.

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SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ARIZONA SINCE 2000

- ★ 352,506 service hours completed
- ★ \$7,804,483 dollars worth of service provided
- ★ 1,300 volunteers recruited and coordinated
- ★ 1,000 tons of debris, exotic vegetation or underbrush removed
- ★ 11,000 people assisted at mass care facilities
- ★ 33,000 feet of streambeds or riverbeds restored
- ★ 6,000 tax returns completed
- ★ 1,100 homeless people assisted

SELECTED ARIZONA PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ Crown King Fire District
- ★ American Conservation Experience
- ★ Southwest Conservation Corps
- ★ City of Yuma Parks and Recreation
- ★ North Central Arizona National Monuments
- ★ Community Food Resource Center
- ★ Grand Canyon Trust
- ★ Arizona State Parks

HIGHLIGHTED PROJECT: Southwest Conservation Corps

The Southwest Conservation Corps' (SCC) mission is to empower individuals to positively impact their lives, their communities, and the environment. With the Southwest Conservation Corps, AmeriCorps NCCC team cleared 60 acres of land of over 4,000 pounds of invasive species and underbrush, while also restoring 5 miles of hiking trail, 12 campsites, and 45 picnic sites. The NCCC team helped restore the original design features of the trails and accompanying structures. This work helps improve visitor satisfaction, safety, and natural and cultural resource protection.

AmeriCorps NCCC is a program of the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS). CNCS improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering.

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