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Delaware is supported by the AmeriCorps NCCC Atlantic Region campus. Currently located in Perry Point, MD and moving to Baltimore in 2013, the Atlantic Region campus serves as the base for approximately 400 members and team leaders each year and serves Washington D.C., Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

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.

Delaware

SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN DELAWARE SINCE 2000

- ★ 139,323 service hours completed
- ★ \$3,084,611 dollars worth of service provided
- ★ 1,600 volunteers recruited and coordinated
- ★ 2,400 homes constructed, renovated, or weatherized
- ★ 15,500 feet of stream banks or riverbeds restored or protected
- ★ 123 tons of debris, exotic vegetation or underbrush removed
- ★ 15,500 news trees planted
- ★ 1,600 people assisted at mass care facilities

SELECTED DELAWARE PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ New Castle County Department of Special Services
- ★ Girl Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay
- ★ Winterthur Museum
- ★ Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve
- ★ Delaware Division of Parks and Recreation
- ★ Delaware Academy of Sciences
- ★ Naamans Creek Watershed Association
- ★ Habitat for Humanity of New Castle County

HIGHLIGHTED PROJECT: Delaware Division of Parks and Recreation

Delaware State Parks provides Delaware's residents and visitors with safe and enjoyable recreational opportunities and open spaces, delivers responsible stewardship of the lands and culture and natural resources, and offers resource-based interpretive and educational services.

NCCC members working with Delaware State Parks helped to maintain the safety and accessibility of the parks by removing 2,500 pounds of trash, repairing 2,500 feet of irrigation systems, and removing 3,500 pounds of underbrush. The NCCC team worked at eight state parks in Delaware and helped restore 88 campsites.

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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