



AMERICORPS NCCC

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Florida is supported by the AmeriCorps NCCC Southern Region campus. Located in Vicksburg, Mississippi, the Southern Region Campus serves as the base for approximately 560 members each year and serves the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

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.

Florida

SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN FLORIDA SINCE 2000

- ★ 592,032 service hours completed
- ★ \$13,107,588 dollars worth of service provided
- ★ 27,000 volunteers recruited and coordinated
- ★ 430 new homes constructed
- ★ 930,355 people assisted at mass care facilities
- ★ 200,000 news trees planted
- ★ 312 tons of debris or trash removed
- ★ 297 miles of new hiking trail constructed or restored

SELECTED FLORIDA PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami
- ★ Robotics Education and Competition Foundation (RECF)
- ★ City of Fort Myers
- ★ IH Center/Community Collaborations International
- ★ Youthbuild - Florida
- ★ The Nature Conservancy, Florida Chapter
- ★ Lake City Regional Office of Catholic Charities
- ★ EscaRosa Coalition on the Homeless

HIGHLIGHTED PROJECT: Habitat for Humanity - Greater Miami

NCCC team River 3 served with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami. The team led a daily average of 150-200 volunteers, totaling 1,706 volunteers at the end of two weeks. Corps members started and completed 13 houses and worked on 17 other houses. The team worked alongside 33 families who were directly affected by the work done by River 3. Volunteers who worked with the team had a positive experience and encouraged to continue volunteering. The team gained skills in both construction and leadership.

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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