



AMERICORPS NCCC

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Kentucky 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.

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SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN KENTUCKY SINCE 2000

- ★ 124,331 service hours completed
- ★ \$2,752,688 dollars worth of service provided
- ★ 10,000 volunteers recruited or coordinated
- ★ 139 constructed or renovated homes
- ★ 390 tons of debris or trash removed
- ★ 78,000 news trees planted
- ★ 1,502 tons of clothing sorted and distributed
- ★ 1,800 families assisted in disaster areas

SELECTED KENTUCKY PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ SUCCESS Corps
- ★ Kentucky VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster)
- ★ Metro United Way
- ★ Appalachian Coal Country Team (ACCT)
- ★ National Park Service - Cumberland Gap National Historical Park
- ★ Morehead State University - Center for Regional Engagement
- ★ The Nature Conservancy of Kentucky
- ★ TriState Habitat for Humanity

HIGHLIGHTED PROJECT: The Nature Conservancy

NCCC team River 11 worked with The Nature Conservancy of Kentucky at five different preserves. Highlights of the work accomplished include building 25 stone steps, 23 water bars, and performed maintenance on four miles of existing trail. The team also removed 600 pounds of concrete rubble from Mammoth Cave. The work completed by the team created a more stable environment for visitors. Team members received training in how to build stone steps, water bars, fencing, barn siding, and picnic tables.

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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