



# AMERICORPS NCCC

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Maine 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.

## Maine

### SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN MAINE SINCE 2000

- ★ 118,009 service hours completed
- ★ \$2,612,719 dollars worth of service provided
- ★ 7 tons of food received, inventoried, and distributed
- ★ 8,250 people served meals
- ★ 18,000 houses protected from natural disasters
- ★ 90 tons of debris, exotic vegetation or underbrush removed
- ★ 9,600 feet of coastline restored
- ★ 8,830 new trees, seedlings, or shrubs planted

### SELECTED MAINE PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ Habitat for Humanity of Seven Rivers
- ★ Tanglewood 4-H Camp & Learning Center
- ★ Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve
- ★ Town of Sanford
- ★ Habitat for Humanity of Greater Portland
- ★ Freeport Historical Society
- ★ Nature Conservancy - Maine Chapter
- ★ City of Bangor

### HIGHLIGHTED PROJECT: City of Bangor Parks & Recreation

*The City of Bangor, located on the Penobscot River, has a rich tradition as a major timber port and more recently as the economic and cultural hub of Northern and Central Maine. As the major service center for much of Maine, the City works to provide quality of life, cultural richness and environmental stewardship for the benefit of its citizens and visitors. Working with the City, NCCC members built or restored 4,000 feet of boardwalk, removed 21,000 pounds of underbrush and 5,500 pounds of exotic vegetation, and conducted three summer programs for youth.*

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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