



# AMERICORPS NCCC

**Pacific Region**

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Utah is supported by the AmeriCorps NCCC Pacific Region campus. Located in Sacramento at the former McClellan Air Force Base, the Pacific Region campus serves as the base for approximately 600 members and team leaders each year and serves the states of Alaska, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, and the Pacific U.S. Territories including American Samoa and Guam.

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.

## Utah

### SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN UTAH SINCE 2000

- ★ 276,652 service hours completed
- ★ \$6,125,075 dollars worth of service provided
- ★ 5,800 volunteers recruited or coordinated
- ★ 33 community gardens started or maintained
- ★ 4,100 people with disabilities assisted
- ★ 4,325 tons of food collected and distributed
- ★ 20,000 new trees, seedlings, or shrubs planted
- ★ 1,700 senior citizens assisted

### SELECTED UTAH PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ Bureau of Land Management
- ★ Kostopulos Dream Foundation - Camp Kostopulos
- ★ The Road Home
- ★ YWCA of Salt Lake City
- ★ Wasatch Community Gardens
- ★ Utah Food Bank
- ★ Friends of the Green River Positive Action Community Team
- ★ Utah Federation for Youth

### HIGHLIGHTED PROJECT: Utah Federation for Youth

*The Utah Federation for Youth (UFY) is a youth development and drug prevention program that utilizes education, community service, and outdoor recreation activities to carry out its mission. Teams have served with the federation's Wonderful Outdoor World (WOW) summer program, which offers opportunities for youth to build skills that make camping and other outdoor activities a successful life-long passion, and begins a connection between youth and their environment through education and service projects. Corps Members served as camp counselors, cooked meals for the campers, facilitated camper registration, and planned and executed activities. Corps Members supervised and facilitated eight overnight environmental education camps for 60 campers, ages 8-11, created five camp programs, made 176 pre- and post-phone calls to campers and their families, and conducted 24 parent surveys.*

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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