



# AMERICORPS

# NCCC

GETTING THINGS DONE FOR AMERICA



## ABOUT AMERICORPS NCCC

AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) is a full-time, team-based residential program for men and women ages 18-24. AmeriCorps 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.



## ABOUT FEMA CORPS

The AmeriCorps NCCC 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, AmeriCorps 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.



## ABOUT DISASTER RELIEF

In addition to the FEMA Corps, the traditional AmeriCorps 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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# WE'RE GETTING THINGS DONE IN ARKANSAS

## Little Rock, AR | City of Little Rock

An AmeriCorps NCCC team arrived to Little Rock to help with The Love Your School (LYS) initiative, a childhood obesity intervention program. The LYS initiative serves over 2,700 low income students in schools located in, near or with school attendance zones that overlap USDA designated Food Deserts in Little Rock. The AmeriCorps NCCC team provided support in a number of ways: delivering nutrition presentations to students; constructing raised bed gardens; building rain barrel collections systems and lead physical activity programs like walking clubs to students. The team coordinated and planned two community forums to bring members of the community together to discuss the challenges faced in regards to health and fitness. The events allowed citizens an outlet to voice their struggles and to realize that other people in the neighborhood are facing similar challenges. Through the work of the AmeriCorps NCCC team, citizens of Little Rock learned of ways to become healthier.

## Little Rock, AR | Arkansas Children's Hospital

An AmeriCorps NCCC team assisted the Arkansas Children's Hospital to improve the quality of care for both its patients and their families. Corps members were assigned to the Child Life, Fitness & Wellness, and Infection Control Departments to contribute to the efficacy and organization of their programs. By assisting in play and craft activities, planning events, providing one-on-one education, infant stimulation, and daily interaction with patients the team was able to lessen the load of the child life staff allowing them to dedicate their time to the more crucial aspects of their occupation. The roles that team members filled also helped hospital staff members by allowing employees to have the opportunity to focus on other critical aspects of their jobs.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ARKANSAS SINCE 2000	HIGHLIGHTED SPONSORS IN ARKANSAS
▶ 276,607 service hours completed	▶ Petit Jean State Park
▶ \$6,124,079 dollars worth of service provided	▶ Arkansas Children's Hospital
▶ 16,111 people participated in recycling programs	▶ Lake Ouachita State Park
▶ 4,019 students tutored	▶ Ferncliff Presbyterian Camp
▶ 6,736 meals served	▶ Arkansas Children's Hospital Research Institute
▶ 45,000 families assisted in disaster areas	▶ Hobbs State Park
▶ 173 miles of hiking trails constructed or restored	▶ Garvan Woodland Gardens
▶ 4,219 "at-risk" youth assisted	



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