



# 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 ILLINOIS

## Chicago, IL | Coppin Community Center

An AmeriCorps NCCC team partnered with the Coppin Community Center (CCC) to support the Washington Park neighborhood in a multitude of social service's needs. The CCC provides community development and supportive services to address the social and academic needs of low income and vulnerable children and families in the Washington Park neighborhood and beyond. Over the course of the project, Corps members unloaded, unpacked, and sorted 23,500 pounds of food and distributed this food to approximately 536 people. After distributing food, members cleaned up the tables, floors, and discarded food boxes. The team assisted in weeding the Metro Garden and built seven 4' x 4' beds to be used for a vegetable, butterfly, and herb garden. Corps member's work at the Coppin Community Center helped turn vacant lots in the Washington Park Neighborhood into urban gardens.

## Champaign County, IL | Champaign County Regional Planning Commission

The Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC) is a community action agency that supports the well-being and quality of life for at-risk, low-income, and underserved residents of Champaign County through programs that promote self-sufficiency. The AmeriCorps NCCC team conducted countywide outreach for the Weatherization Assistance Program through distributing information on home energy conservation door-to-door, and also assembled over 3,500 energy efficiency kits. The team gained knowledge about weatherization and the impact it has on homes, residents, and the environment through their work and presentations with the CCRPC. Over 2,000 potentially qualified residents are now aware of programs offered by the CCRPC.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ILLINOIS SINCE 2000	HIGHLIGHTED SPONSORS IN ILLINOIS
▶ 117,923 service hours completed	▶ Champaign County RPC
▶ 2,610,815 dollars worth of service provided	▶ Living Lands & Water (LL&W)
▶ 2,488 volunteers recruited or coordinated	▶ USDA Forest Service - Shawnee National Forest
▶ 2,900 miles of hiking trails constructed/restored	▶ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mississippi River Project
▶ 20,000 community assessments conducted or evaluated	▶ Jo Daviess County Soil and Water Conservation District
▶ 172 tons of debris or underbrush removed	▶ Home Sweet Home Ministries
▶ 4,742 new trees, seedlings or shrubs planted	▶ Great River Outreach
▶ 16,110 homeless people assisted	▶ The Illinois Chapter - The Nature Conservancy



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