

MEETING NEEDS IN KANSAS

Last year more than 4,800 Americans of all ages and backgrounds met local needs, strengthened communities, and expanded economic opportunity through national service in Kansas. The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) invested more than \$7.9 million in federal funding to support cost-effective community solutions, working hand in hand with local partners to empower citizens to solve problems. AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers are preparing today's students for tomorrow's jobs, reducing crime and reviving cities, connecting veterans to services, fighting the opioid epidemic, helping seniors live independently, and rebuilding communities after disasters.

National service participants served at more than 600 locations across Kansas, including schools, food banks, homeless shelters, health clinics, youth centers, veterans' facilities, and other nonprofit and faith-based organizations. Through a unique public-private partnership, CNCS, its grantees, and project sponsors generated more than \$5.3 million in outside resources from businesses, foundations, public agencies, and other sources in Kansas in the last year. This local support strengthened community impact and increased the return on taxpayer dollars.

AMERICORPS



Last year, more than 300 AmeriCorps members met pressing local needs across Kansas, making a lasting impact in communities while gaining valuable skills and experience to advance their careers. AmeriCorps members serve in one of three programs:

- **AmeriCorps State & National** engages men and women in intensive service at thousands of locations across the country through nonprofits, schools, public agencies, tribes, and community and faith-based groups. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to the Kansas Volunteer Commission, the Governor-appointed State Service Commission, which in turn awards grants to organizations to respond to local needs.
- **AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America)** taps the skills, talents, and passion of Americans of all ages to support community efforts to overcome poverty.
- **AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps)** is a full-time, team-based residential program for 18-24 year-olds. Members develop leadership skills by contributing to public safety, environment, and disaster projects. FEMA Corps, a unit of NCCC, focuses solely on disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.

In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award that can be used to pay for trade school, college, or graduate school; or to pay back qualified student loans. Since 1994, more than 8,600 Kansas residents have served approximately 11 million hours and earned education awards totaling more than \$25.1 million.

SENIOR CORPS



Senior Corps taps the skills, talents, and experience of Americans age 55 and over to meet a wide range of community challenges. Last year, more than 4,500 Kansas seniors met critical community needs while contributing to their own health and well-being through one of three Senior Corps programs:

- **Foster Grandparents** serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to young people with exceptional needs.
- **Senior Companions** help seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
- **RSVP volunteers** conduct safety patrols, renovate homes, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services.

Last year, Foster Grandparents tutored and mentored 4,110 young people, Senior Companions helped 510 seniors live independently, and RSVP volunteers strengthened the impact of 360 organizations across Kansas.

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 Disaster Services	 Energy & Conservation
 Economic & Workforce Development	 Health & Aging
 Education	 Veterans and Military Families

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At a Glance Report

AmeriCorps	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps National	11	23	45	\$179,750	\$174,921
AmeriCorps NCCC	3	3	33	-	-
AmeriCorps State	7	56	205	\$515,670	\$1,179,691
AmeriCorps VISTA	21	45	72	\$366,350	\$1,028,025
AMERICORPS TOTAL	42	127	355	\$1,061,770	\$2,382,637
Senior Corps	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
Foster Grandparent Program	7	175	426	-	\$2,189,910
RSVP	16	362	3,949	-	\$925,544
Senior Companion Program	3	32	169	-	\$864,989
SENIOR CORPS TOTAL	26	569	4,544	-	\$3,980,442
Other Funding	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
State Commission Investment Funds	1	-	-	-	\$191,879
State Commission Operations Support	1	-	-	-	\$265,000
Volunteer Generation Fund	1	-	-	-	\$113,899
OTHER FUNDING TOTAL	3	-	-	-	\$570,778
PROGRAM TOTALS	71	696	4,899	\$1,061,770	\$6,933,857
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING (including Education Scholarships)					\$7,995,627
TOTAL LOCAL PROJECT SUPPORT (Non-CNCS Resources)					\$5,363,412
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING + TOTAL LOCAL PROJECT SUPPORT					\$13,359,039

National service programs continue to improve lives and communities in Kansas, with 232 AmeriCorps member and 4,318 Senior Corps volunteers currently serving.

Since 1994, more than 8,600 Kansas residents have served approximately 11 million hours through AmeriCorps, earning Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than \$25.1 million.

Notes: With the exception of the Current Participants column, all data shown represents national service activity completed between February 7, 2018 and February 6, 2019.

1. Projects may be headquartered in other states.
2. The service location total may contain multiple counts of unique locations where multiple CNCS programs operated.
3. Completed participants reflects all AmeriCorps members who completed service in Kansas between February 7, 2018 and February 6, 2019. For Senior Corps, this reflects all volunteers funded by grants completed during that same period.
4. The Education Scholarships figures represent the maximum potential value of Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards that could be earned by AmeriCorps members who completed service in Kansas. The award can be used in any state to pay for college, graduate school, vocational training, or to pay back student loans.
5. AmeriCorps State and National, Foster Grandparent, and Senior Companion federal funding reflects the estimated proportionate share of the federal grant associated with the participants in this report. For AmeriCorps VISTA, funding reflects the national average cost per participant. RSVP funding appears in the state where the project is based and reflects the full amount awarded to operate the completed grant.
6. Current participants reflects national service participants currently serving in Kansas.
7. Total local project support reflects non-CNCS cash and in-kind resources that CNCS grantees committed to raise in support of their completed grants. As part of its public-private partnership approach, CNCS grantees leverage additional resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on the federal investment.
8. Funding for the Social Innovation Fund was eliminated in FY 2017; projects shown operated under previously awarded grants.