

AmeriCorps Seniors

Introducing AmeriCorps, AmeriCorps Seniors, and Its Programs

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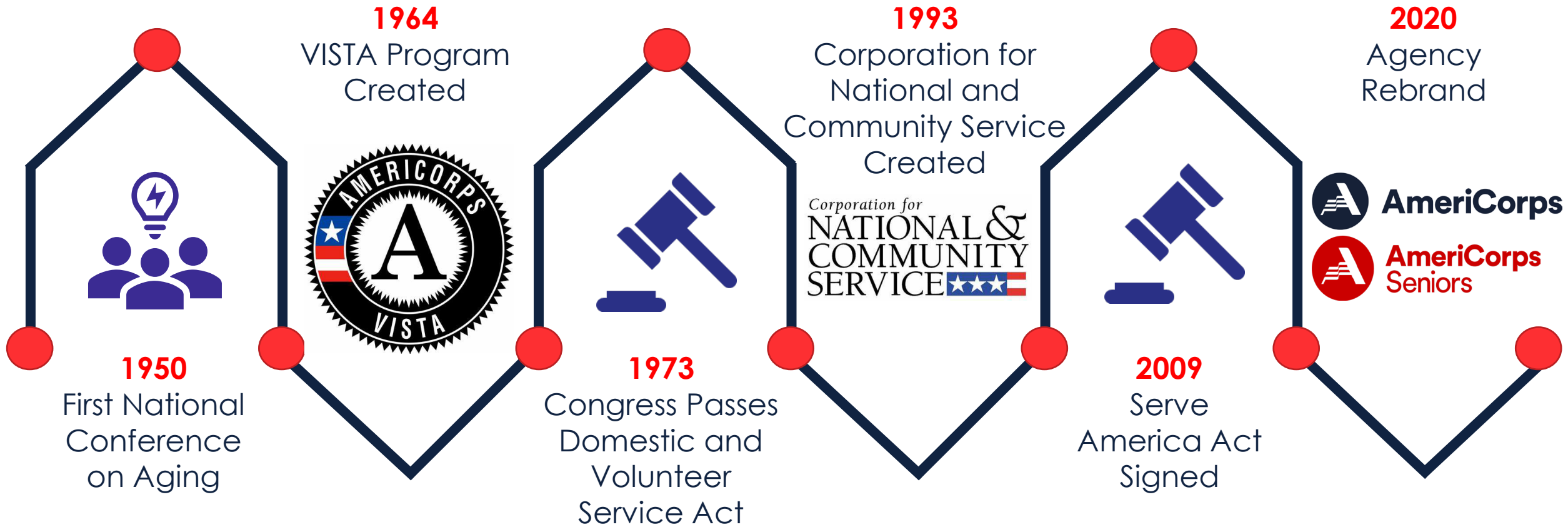




MISSION

The mission of AmeriCorps is to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering.

Origin of AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps Seniors



AmeriCorps Seniors Programs



**Foster Grandparent
Program**



**Senior Companion
Program**



RSVP Program

Overview of Programs: Foster Grandparent Program



Intergenerational program connecting older adults with children and youth.

Volunteers:

- Mentor and guide children and youth to **higher academic achievement and social emotional development.**
- Help children and youth succeed through **one-on-one tutoring and/or mentorship.**
- Provide consistent support from a caring adult giving children and youth the tools they need for **success in academics and life.**



Eligible volunteers may receive a small stipend to defray the costs of serving.



Overview of Programs: Senior Companion Program



A **peer-to-peer program** to help older adults **live independently**.

Volunteers:

- Provide respite to family caregivers.
- Support to older adults who have difficulty with daily living tasks.
- Provide companionship to help reduce social isolation.
- Keep older adults engaged in their community and living in their home longer.
- Support opportunities to reduce the expense of long-term institutional care.

Eligible volunteers may receive a small stipend to defray the costs of serving.



Overview of Programs: RSVP Program

Through this program, AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers **address critical community needs.**

RSVP Program Focus Areas: **Disaster Services, Economic Opportunity, Education, Environmental Stewardship, Healthy Futures, and Veterans and Military Members**

Volunteers engage in service opportunities such as:

- **food security,**
- **tax and benefits support,**
- **tutoring students** of all ages,
- **supporting veterans and military families,**
- **disaster support and conservation.**



Volunteers do not receive a stipend, but may be reimbursed for meals, mileage, and other costs related to their service.



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Overview of Programs: Senior Demonstration Program



- Expand AmeriCorps Seniors program reach and impact.
- Demonstrate the power of older Americans as volunteers to make significant contributions within their communities.
- Allow funding of innovative programming and activities, such as:
 - Providing a pathway from service to employment.
 - Supporting native nations and indigenous elders in addressing community needs.



Senior Demonstration Program: Workforce Development

- Volunteers placed in early childhood classrooms in a service-to-employment.
- Volunteers:
 - Provide individual and small group instruction to students in the classroom.
 - Gain experience in early childhood education and family engagement.
 - Receive training towards early childhood certification.
 - Receive job search and placement support, such as resume writing, interview preparation, computer technology training, and other job search skills.



Additional Program Information

Visit the AmeriCorps Website to learn more about our AmeriCorps Seniors programs and available funding opportunities:

- Foster Grandparent Program: <https://americorps.gov/partner/how-it-works/americorps-seniors-foster-grandparent-program>
- Senior Companion Program: <https://americorps.gov/partner/how-it-works/americorps-seniors-senior-companion-program>
- RSVP Program: <https://americorps.gov/partner/how-it-works/americorps-seniors-rsvp>
- AmeriCorps Funding Opportunities: <https://www.americorps.gov/partner/funding-opportunities>

**Thank you for your interest in
AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps
Seniors programs.**