SERVICE BY THE NUMBERS
A LOOK AT PROGRAM IMPACT

The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) engages millions of Americans in service through its AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, and Volunteer Generation Fund. It is our goal to grow this passion for volunteerism/service, which is why our Office of Research & Evaluation (ORE) is dedicated to gathering evidence to demonstrate how national service benefits communities across the country and the members who serve.

BUILDING BETTER LIVES

A field experiment found 24% of resumes listing AmeriCorps service received a call back for an interview, compared to 17% of resumes without a service record.

AmeriCorps grantee Teach for America improves students’ standardized test scores by the equivalent of an additional 2.6 months of learning.

46% of new Senior Corps volunteers report improvements in health and wellbeing after just one year.

63% who “often” felt alone reported decreased feelings of isolation.
Building Stronger Communities

CNCS-funded programs also improve returns on taxpayer investments.

The University of Texas at Austin found national service programs strengthen the overall health of communities. As a result, citizens in communities with AmeriCorps programming express fewer negative sentiments.

Another AmeriCorps grantee, Reading Partners, demonstrated $980 in cost savings per student compared to schools operating similar programs.

Evidence and Evaluation

Evidence and evaluation are core values at CNCS and ORE – values that we use to help other organizations become more efficient. Since 2015, CNCS has used program effectiveness evidence to make grants that:

- Train and employ workers
- Educate children
- Build infrastructure
- Improve health

A study of CNCS grantees revealed improvements in 13 of 14 indicators of organizational and evaluation capacity.

Learn more about how CNCS programs are furthering the field of evidence.

Download the State of the Evidence Report at www.nationalservice.gov/SOE.