



Mississippi

2004 - 2005

Meeting community needs in Mississippi. More than **7,100** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement through **58** national service projects across Mississippi. Serving with national and local nonprofits, schools, faith-based organizations and other groups, these citizens tutor and mentor children, coordinate after-school programs, build homes, conduct neighborhood patrols, restore the environment, respond to disasters, build nonprofit capacity and recruit and manage volunteers. This year, the Corporation for National and Community Service will commit more than **\$16,100,000** to support Mississippi communities through three national service initiatives:



Senior Corps: More than **4,400** seniors in Mississippi contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs. Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than **3,200** young people who have special needs. Senior Companions help more than **360** homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes. Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteers conduct safety patrols for local police departments, participate in environmental projects, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than **310** groups across Mississippi.



AmeriCorps: This year AmeriCorps will provide more than **950** individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, public safety and other pressing needs in communities across Mississippi. Roughly three-quarters of all AmeriCorps grant funding goes to the Governor-appointed Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service, which in turn awards grants to nonprofit groups to respond to local needs. Most of the remainder of the grant funding is distributed by the Corporation directly to multi-state and national organizations through a competitive grants process. Other individuals will serve through AmeriCorps*VISTA, whose members help bring individuals and communities out of poverty by serving full-time to fight illiteracy, improve health services, create businesses and increase housing opportunities, and AmeriCorps*NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps), a 10-month, full time residential program for men and women between the ages of 18 and 24. In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members earn an education award of up to \$4,725 that can be used to pay for college or to pay back qualified student loans. Since 1994, more than **5,700** Mississippi residents have qualified for AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than **\$23,100,000**.



Learn and Serve America: Learn and Serve America provides grants to schools, colleges, and nonprofit groups to support efforts to engage more than **1,600** Mississippi students in community service linked to academic achievement and the development of civic skills. This type of learning, called service learning, improves communities while preparing young people for a lifetime of responsible citizenship. In addition to providing grants, Learn and Serve America serves as a resource on service and service-learning to teachers, faculty members, schools, and community groups.

Together with the USA Freedom Corps, the Corporation for National and Community Service is working to build a culture of citizenship, service, and responsibility in America. To learn more about the Corporation or any of its programs, visit www.nationalservice.gov or call 202-606-5000 or TTY 202-565-2799.

Senior Corps	Projects	Participants	Program Funding
Foster Grandparent Program	6	676	\$2,101,574
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program	11	3,625	\$591,773
Senior Companion Program	3	164	\$673,215
Senior Corps Total	20	4,465	\$3,366,562

AmeriCorps	Program Sites	Participants ¹	Education Award ²	Program Funding
AmeriCorps*State (Competitive)	6	530	\$2,041,200	\$5,125,096
AmeriCorps*State (Formula)	4	151	\$359,100	\$857,363
AmeriCorps*National	3	171	\$807,975	\$348,000
AmeriCorps*VISTA	9	91	\$429,975	\$1,431,248
AmeriCorps*NCCC	4	N/A	N/A	N/A ³
Education Awards Program (National)	9	15	\$59,535	\$5,040
AmeriCorps Total	35	958	\$3,697,785	\$7,766,747

Learn and Serve America	Grantees	Participants	Subgrantees	Program Funding
K-12 School-Based	1	76	1	\$242,447
K-12 Community-Based	1	1,176	7	\$319,453
Higher Education	1	430	7	\$398,820
Learn and Serve America Total	3	1,682	15	\$960,720

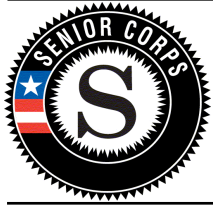
Administrative Funds	Program Funding
Disability Outreach	\$38,500
Program Development & Technical Assistance	\$121,000
State Commission Administration	\$204,818
Administrative Funds Total	N/A
Program Totals	\$12,458,347

Total Corporation Funding (including AmeriCorps Education Awards) \$16,156,132

¹ This figure represents the number of awarded positions available to be filled in the 2004 - 2005 program year. For AmeriCorps*VISTA and the Education Awards Program, this represents the actual number of AmeriCorps members in active service.

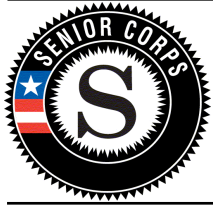
² This figure represents the maximum potential value of AmeriCorps Education Awards that can be earned by AmeriCorps members serving in Mississippi. The award can be used in any state to pay for college, graduate school, vocational training, or to pay back student loans. The education award total is included in total Corporation funding.

³ Mississippi is served by the AmeriCorps*NCCC campus located in Charleston, South Carolina. In the past year, AmeriCorps*NCCC teams have served on projects in Jackson, Tutwiler and Whitfield.



Senior Corps in Mississippi

Primary City	Program Name <i>Sponsor Organization (if different)</i>	Number of Participants	Program Type
Bay St Louis	Hancock County RSVP <i>City of Waveland</i>	445	RSVP
Clarksdale	Clarksdale RSVP <i>Coahoma Opportunities Inc</i>	364	RSVP
Columbus	Lowndes County RSVP <i>Lowndes County Council In Aging Inc</i>	300	RSVP
Ellisville	Jones County FGP <i>Laurel-Jones Co Council on Aging</i>	185	Foster Grandparent Program
Gulfport	Harrison County RSVP <i>Harrison Co Human Resource Agency</i>	360	RSVP
Gulfport	SMPDD Area Agency on Aging Senior Companion Program <i>Southern Mississippi Planning and Development District, Inc.</i>	63	Senior Companion Program
Hattiesburg	Hattiesburg Foster Grandparent Program <i>University of Southern Mississippi</i>	55	Foster Grandparent Program
Indianola	Sunflower/Humphreys/Bolivar Co'S SCP <i>Sunflower-Humphreys Co'S Progress, Inc</i>	101	Senior Companion Program
Kosciusko	Attala County RSVP <i>City of Kosciusko</i>	210	RSVP
Laurel	Laurel-Jones County RSVP <i>Laurel-Jones Co Council on Aging</i>	203	RSVP
Mendenhall	Simpson County RSVP <i>Simpson Co Human Resource Agency</i>	160	RSVP
Meridian	Lauderdale County FGP <i>Multi-Co Community Service Agency</i>	153	Foster Grandparent Program
Meridian	RSVP Meridian/Lauderdale Co <i>United Way of East Mississippi</i>	450	RSVP
Natchez	RSVP Adams Co <i>City of Natchez</i>	413	RSVP
Oxford	Lafayette County RSVP <i>Oxford Park Commission</i>	300	RSVP
Oxford	Lafayette County FGP <i>Oxford/Lafayette Co Chamber of Commerce</i>	133	Foster Grandparent Program



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Pascagoula	MDHS Jackson County Senior Companion Program <i>Division of Aging & Adult Service</i>	N/A	Senior Companion Program
Tupelo	Lee County RSVP <i>Lift Inc</i>	420	RSVP
Whitfield	Foster Grandparent Program of the Capital Area <i>Mental Hlth Assoc Capital Area</i>	104	Foster Grandparent Program
Yazoo City	Yazoo County FGP <i>Yazoo Community Action, Inc</i>	46	Foster Grandparent Program
Total Number of Senior Corps Volunteers		4,465	



AmeriCorps in Mississippi

Primary City	Program Name Sponsor Organization (if different)	# of Members	Program Type
Biloxi	AmeriCorps Takes ACTION <i>Boys and Girls Club of the Gulf Coast</i>	20	AmeriCorps*State
Biloxi	Mercy Cross Middle and High School, Biloxi, MS <i>University of Notre Dame - ACE</i>	1	Education Awards Program
Cleveland	Delta Reads Partnership <i>Center for Community Development, Delta State University</i>	60	AmeriCorps*State
Cleveland	Delta State University/Center for Community Development	30	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Cleveland	Mississippi Delta Service Corps	20	AmeriCorps*National
Corinth	Project FOCUS (Finding Our Community's Untapped Strengths) <i>Corinth School District</i>	15	AmeriCorps*State
Gulfport	St. John High School, Biloxi, MS <i>University of Notre Dame - ACE</i>	1	Education Awards Program
Hattiesburg	University of Southern Mississippi/CCCE <i>Ms Institutions of Higher Learning/Academic Affairs</i>	10	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Hattiesburg	Campus Link: Mississippi Mentors Corps <i>University of Southern Mississippi</i>	122	AmeriCorps*State
Hattiesburg	Citizen Scholar Corps <i>University of Southern Mississippi</i>	3	Education Awards Program
Hattiesburg	University of Southern Mississippi/CALE <i>University of Southern Mississippi</i>	15	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Jackson	America Reads-Mississippi <i>America Reads MS</i>	276	AmeriCorps*State
Jackson	Big Brothers Big Sisters of Mississippi	10	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Jackson	Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Mississippi	1	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Jackson	Downtown Jackson Community Development Corporation	8	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Jackson	Jumpstart Mississippi <i>Jumpstart MS</i>	95	AmeriCorps*State
Jackson	PROJECT LINC <i>Living Independence For Everyone, Inc.</i>	20	AmeriCorps*State
Jackson	Mississippi Association of Cooperatives	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Jackson	Community HealthCorps-Mississippi <i>Mississippi Primary Health Care Association</i>	12	AmeriCorps*National



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Jackson	AmeriCorps Math Literacy Workers <i>The Algebra Project Inc.</i>	32	AmeriCorps*State
Jackson	St. Mary School, Jackson, MS <i>University of Notre Dame - ACE</i>	2	Education Awards Program
Jackson	St. Therese Elementary, Jackson, MS <i>University of Notre Dame - ACE</i>	2	Education Awards Program
Madison	St. Joseph Catholic School, Jackson, MS <i>University of Notre Dame - ACE</i>	1	Education Awards Program
Meridian	AmeriCorps Rebuilds Mississippi <i>United Way of East Mississippi</i>	20	AmeriCorps*State
Meridian	Youth Excitement Team, Inc.	12	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Mississippi State	Mississippi Early Literacy Corps <i>Mississippi State University</i>	21	AmeriCorps*State
Oxford	Expanding the Impact of Teach For America- Mississippi Delta <i>Teach For America Mississippi Delta</i>	139	AmeriCorps*National
Pascagoula	Resurrection Catholic Middle High School, Biloxi, MS <i>University of Notre Dame - ACE</i>	2	Education Awards Program
Pascagoula	St. Peter the Apostle, Biloxi, MS <i>University of Notre Dame - ACE</i>	2	Education Awards Program
St. Louis	Gateway Vincentian Volunteers--Marian Middle School <i>Catholic Network of Volunteer Service</i>	1	Education Awards Program
Tutwiler	Quitman Tri-County Federal Credit Union	1	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Total Number of AmeriCorps Members		958	

Notes:

If there are programs with identical names in separate entries, they are different grants to the same organization. If no members are shown, either the grant is for planning or technical assistance, or enrollment data was not available at the time of printing.



Learn and Serve America in Mississippi

Primary City	Program Name <i>Sponsor Organization (if different)</i>	Number of Participants	Program Type
Cleveland	Delta State University Learn & Serve Lighthouse Partnership	20	Higher Education
Decatur	East Central Community College	200	Higher Education
Hattiesburg	DREAM of Hattiesburg, Inc.	166	K-12 Community-Based
Hattiesburg	Family Network Partnership	175	K-12 Community-Based
Hattiesburg	Pine Burr Area Council	300	K-12 Community-Based
Hattiesburg	Mississippi Higher Education Consortium <i>University of Southern Mississippi</i>		Higher Education
Hattiesburg	University of Southern Mississippi	150	Higher Education
Holly Springs	Rust College	N/A	Higher Education
Holly Springs	Rust College	N/A	Higher Education
Jackson	Learn and Serve Community-Based <i>Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service</i>		K-12 Community-Based
Jackson	LSA School-Based Formula Program <i>Mississippi Department of Education</i>		K-12 School-Based
Jackson	Operation Shoestring, Inc.	188	K-12 Community-Based
Jackson	Voice of Calvary Ministries	167	K-12 Community-Based
Marks	Quitman County Development Organization, Inc	180	K-12 Community-Based
Ocean Springs	Ocean Springs School District	76	K-12 School-Based
Sunflower	Sunflower County Freedom Project	N/A	K-12 Community-Based
Tougaloo	Tougaloo College	60	Higher Education
Total Number of Learn and Serve Participants		1,682	



Presidential Freedom Scholarships: Two students from the junior or senior class in each high school in the United States may receive a \$1000 college scholarship for outstanding leadership in service to community. This is a matching scholarship: \$500 is provided by a local organization such as the PTA or Kiwanis and \$500 is provided by Learn and Serve America. Since 2000, more than 459 Mississippi students have received these scholarships.

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