



National Service in West Virginia



MEETING COMMUNITY NEEDS IN WEST VIRGINIA

More than 3,800 people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement through national service in West Virginia. Serving at more than 460 locations throughout the state, these citizens tutor and mentor children, support veterans and military families, provide health services, restore the environment, respond to disasters, increase economic opportunity, and recruit and manage volunteers.

This year, the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) will commit more than \$10,140,000 to support West Virginia communities through national service initiatives. CNCS invests in cost-effective community solutions--working hand in hand with local partners to improve lives, expand economic opportunity, and engage citizens in solving problems in their communities. Serving in many of the state's most impoverished communities, CNCS provides vital support to schools, food banks, homeless shelters, community health clinics, youth centers, veterans service facilities, and other nonprofit and faith-based organizations at a time of growing demand for services. Through a unique public-private partnership, this federal investment will leverage an additional \$3,750,000 in other resources to strengthen community impact, build local support, and increase return on taxpayer dollars.

AmeriCorps: This year AmeriCorps will provide more than 1,000 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic, and other pressing needs in communities across West Virginia. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to the Volunteer West Virginia, which in turn awards grants to nonprofit groups to respond to local needs. Most of the remainder of the grant funding is distributed by CNCS directly to multi-state and national organizations through a competitive grants process. Other individuals 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 that can be used to pay for college or to pay back qualified student loans. Since 1994, more than 10,000 West Virginia residents have served more than 17 million hours and have qualified for Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than \$25,490,000.

Senior Corps: More than 2,800 seniors in West Virginia 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 1,900 young people who have special needs. Senior Companions help more than 200 homebound 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 through more than 190 groups across West Virginia.

The Corporation for National and Community Service is a federal agency that improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering. CNCS annually engages more than five million Americans in service to meet local needs through Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, and national days of service; improves communities through the Social Innovation Fund, and leads President Obama's national call to service initiative, United We Serve. To learn more visit NationalService.gov or Serve.gov or call 202-606-5000 or TTY 1-800-833-3722.

West Virginia At a Glance

	Projects	Service Locations	Participants ¹	Education Scholarships ²	Program Funding
AmeriCorps					
AmeriCorps National	10	12	235	\$542,636	\$318,793 ³
AmeriCorps State Competitive	4	53	610	\$1,218,305	\$2,642,284
AmeriCorps State Formula	9	51	144	\$538,560	\$1,047,787
AmeriCorps VISTA	9	36	42	\$235,760	\$673,554
AMERICORPS TOTAL	32	152	1,031	\$2,535,260	\$4,682,418
Senior Corps					
Foster Grandparent Program	4	96	503	-	\$1,676,167
RSVP	6	195	2,200	-	\$507,477
Senior Companion Program	1	19	148	-	\$482,300
SENIOR CORPS TOTAL	11	310	2,851	-	\$2,665,944
Other Funding					
Disability Outreach	1	-	-	-	\$65,899
State Commission Operations Support	1	-	-	-	\$200,000
OTHER FUNDING TOTAL	2	-	-	-	\$265,899
PROGRAM TOTALS	45	462⁴	3,882	\$2,535,260	\$7,614,261
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING (including Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards)					\$10,149,521
TOTAL LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT (Non-CNCS Resources)					\$3,755,576⁵
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING + TOTAL LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT					\$13,905,097

- Notes: The data shown represents a snapshot in time. CNCS project sites, participants, and funding change throughout the year, so the data may not reflect current conditions.
- This figure represents the number of awarded positions available to be filled in the 2013 - 2014 program year. For AmeriCorps VISTA, this represents the actual number of VISTA members in active service.
 - This figure represents the maximum potential value of Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards that can be earned by AmeriCorps members serving in West Virginia. 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 CNCS funding.
 - AmeriCorps National figures may include national programs headquartered in the state and/or operating sites of national programs that are headquartered in other states. Funding reflects the estimated proportionate share of the national grant associated with operating sites in this report. Some national organizations do not report operating site data, or it was not available at time of publishing, so figures may not reflect current conditions.
 - The service location total may contain multiple counts of unique locations where multiple CNCS programs are operating.
 - As part of its public-private partnership approach, CNCS requires grantees to leverage additional resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on the federal investment. This figure reflects non-CNCS cash and in-kind resources that CNCS grantees and project sponsors have committed to raise to support their programming activities across the state.



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National Service Impact in West Virginia

AmeriCorps

Appalachian Forest Heritage Area (AFHA) AmeriCorps is one of West Virginia's strongest programs, consistently recruiting strong members from across the country, exceeding performance measures, and maintaining high enrollment and retention levels. AFHA's 20 AmeriCorps members assist community organizations and agencies in conservation, heritage development, and historic preservation efforts by improving trails and habitats, developing heritage events and interpretation, and rehabilitating historic community buildings. Efforts of the AmeriCorps members have led to the redevelopment of the Beverly Heritage Center, where they created visitor programs, helped open a new artists' cooperative, and organized rotating exhibits. The U.S. Forest Service has indicated that members have provided over 9,100 service hours in the Monongahela National Forest, with a direct value of \$197,925 and an estimated \$100,000 in indirect value.

AmeriCorps NCCC

An AmeriCorps NCCC team served in communities throughout West Virginia, with the Appalachian Coal Country Team (ACCT). Some highlights from this project include laying 120 feet of utility lines, installing ten water pumps at a picnic area, installing insulation and drywall, clearing five miles of trail. Improvements made by the team directly benefit the residents of five communities and will boost tourism. Team members received training from professionals in important areas of construction.

AmeriCorps VISTA

West Virginia Adjutant General James Hoyer has emphasized the role of the National Guard Family Programs Unit for the families of deployed service members. Two AmeriCorps VISTA members with the Volunteer WV Veterans VISTA project serve at National Guard stations with the Partners In Care program to develop community partnerships with that assist veterans and military families in their geographic area. 197 Partners in Care have been established. The AmeriCorps VISTA members plan and coordinate events that raise awareness of the needs of veterans and military families. This includes Operation Remembrance where donations of food and toiletries and games from the general public and state agencies were obtained for a mailing of 500 boxes to active military. 170 AmeriCorps members and RSVP volunteers took part in this activity.

Senior Corps

To address the needs of children in Brooke and Hancock Counties impacted by poverty issues, 92 Senior Corps volunteers with Brooke County RSVP operate a cost-free afterschool program five days per week while school is in session. The volunteers serve free hot meals, provide homework assistance and educational programming to children ages six to thirteen and have logged 2,945 hours assisting and mentoring 109 students in Brooke and Marshall Counties. 85 percent of students tracked remained the same or showed improvement in grades in at least two subjects, and 91 percent of enrolled students showed an increase in positive socialization.

Social Innovation Fund

The Children's Aid Society-Carrera Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program (CAS-Carrera), a program of the Children's Aid Society, is an evidence-based pregnancy prevention model that helps young people avoid becoming parents during the second decade of their lives. They were selected to receive an initial Social Innovation Fund (SIF) subgrant award of \$1.5 million through intermediary The Edna McConnell Clark Foundation, which they will match dollar-for-dollar with nonfederal funds. Martinsburg and Parkersburg, WV are two of 12 locations served by the program through their SIF subgrant. CAS-Carrera engages young people year-round, beginning in the fifth or sixth grade, and continues through graduation from high school and beyond. The program is currently delivered in two modes: a proven afterschool model and an innovative adaptation of the afterschool model that is integrated into the school day. CAS-Carrera plans to serve 10,000-11,000 youth between 2012 and 2014.

AmeriCorps in West Virginia



AMERICORPS TOTALS	PARTICIPANTS	PROGRAMS/PROJECTS
CURRENT (as of March 2, 2014)	1,031	32
COMPLETED (within last 12 months)	111	13

Primary City	Program/Project Name Sponsor Organization	Number of Participants	Program Type
Alderson	Bethlehem Farm (Current) Catholic Volunteer Network	16	AmeriCorps National
Athens	Concord College WV 24712-1000 (Current) The College of New Jersey	6	AmeriCorps National
Beckley	Appalachian Coal Country Team (Current) Citizen's Conservation Corps of West Virginia	10	AmeriCorps VISTA
Beckley	Citizen's Conservation Corps of West Virginia-Summers (July 11 - July 31, 2013) Citizen's Conservation Corps of West Virginia	6	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Beckley	Citizens Conservation Corps of West Virginia (Current) The Corps Network	92	AmeriCorps National
Beckley	Coal Heritage Highway Authority (Current) Coal Heritage Highway Authority	6	AmeriCorps VISTA
Beckley	Coordinate Volunteer Work in Nine Counties During a Large-Scale Initiative (May 21 - July 30, 2013) Citizen's Conservation Corps of West Virginia	9	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Beckley	Leading Volunteers on Projects in Nine West Virginia Counties (July 10 - August 1, 2013) Citizen's Conservation Corps of West Virginia	62	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Beckley	Twin Branch Recreation Area (Current) Citizen's Conservation Corps of West Virginia	16	AmeriCorps State Formula
Bridgeport	Job Squad (Completed) Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation	1	AmeriCorps National
Bridgeport	Job Squad Operating Site (Current) Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation	3	AmeriCorps National
Charleston	AmeriCorps on the Frontline of School Success (Current) The Education Alliance	20	AmeriCorps State Formula
Charleston	Legal Aid of West Virginia (Current) Equal Justice Works	3	AmeriCorps National
Charleston	LifeBridge AmeriCorps (Current) United Way of Central West Virginia	70	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Charleston	LifeBridge AmeriCorps Veteran Corps (Current) United Way of Central West Virginia	20	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Charleston	LifeBridge, Inc. (Current) United Way Central West Virginia	7	AmeriCorps VISTA
Charleston	Public Assistance DR-4132-WV (August 26 - November 14, 2013) FEMA - Region III	7	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Charleston	Step by Step, Inc. (Current) Step by Step, Inc.	6	AmeriCorps VISTA
Charleston	Veterans Community Outreach Team (Current) WV Commission for National and Community Service	2	AmeriCorps VISTA
Charleston	WV Farm to School AmeriCorps Program (Current) West Virginia Department of Education	10	AmeriCorps State Formula
Charleston	WV Youth in Transition (Completed) Alliance For Children Inc	-	AmeriCorps State Formula
Davis	Appalachian Coal Country Team (March 9 - April 18, 2013) Appalachian Coal Country Team (ACCT)	-	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Dunbar	KISRA AmeriCorps (Completed) Kanawha Institute for Social Research & Action, Inc.	12	AmeriCorps State Formula
Dunmore	Pocahontas Communications Cooperative (Current) Pocahontas Communications Cooperative	2	AmeriCorps VISTA
Elkins	AFHA - Enhancing Assets to Benefit Communities (Current) Appalachian Forest Heritage Area	20	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Elkins	AFHA: Growing Communities through Heritage Development (Current) Appalachian Forest Heritage Area	5	AmeriCorps State Formula
Elkins	YouthBuild Elkins, WV (Current) YouthBuild USA, Inc	45	AmeriCorps National

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COMPLETED (within last 12 months)	111	13

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Franklin	Almost Heaven HFH (Current) Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.	4	AmeriCorps National
Hillsboro	High Rocks Youth Education and Empowerment (Current) High Rocks Educational Corporation	21	AmeriCorps State Formula
Huntington	Communities Helping Communities (Current) Playmates Child Care on Behalf of the Cabell-Wayne Early Childhood Council	31	AmeriCorps State Formula
Huntington	Substance Abuse Prevention and Recovery Capital (Completed) Pretera Center for Mental Health Services, Inc.	-	AmeriCorps State Formula
Kearneysville	West Virginia's Promise (Current) WV Commission for National and Community Service	3	AmeriCorps VISTA
Kincaid	YouthBuild Kincaid, WV (Current) YouthBuild USA, Inc	56	AmeriCorps National
Marlinton	Trail Restoration and Clearing Debris from June 2012 Derecho (March 12 - May 14, 2013) Pocahontas County Convention and Visitors Bureau	8	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects
Morgantown	Energy Express AmeriCorps (Current) West Virginia University Research Corp.	500	AmeriCorps State Competitive
Morgantown	Mon County HFH (Current) Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.	1	AmeriCorps National
Morgantown	WV Higher Education Consortium Project (Completed) West Virginia Campus Compact--West Virginia University	-	AmeriCorps VISTA
Parkersburg	Change the Future WV (Current) Mid-Ohio Valley Board of Health	10	AmeriCorps State Formula
Pt Pleasant	Horseshoe AmeriCorps Program (Current) Ohio-West Virginia YMCA	20	AmeriCorps State Formula
Romney	Eastern Regional Family Resource Network (Current) Eastern Regional Family Resource Network	5	AmeriCorps VISTA
Shepherdstown	West Virginia (Current) Student Conservation Association, Inc.	9	AmeriCorps National
Slatyfork	PreserveWV AmeriCorps (Current) Preservation Alliance of West Virginia	11	AmeriCorps State Formula
Stonewood	WV Community Development Hub (Current) WV Community Development Hub	1	AmeriCorps VISTA
Wheeling	Wheeling Jesuit WV 26003-6243 (Completed) The College of New Jersey	-	AmeriCorps National
Williamson	Expanding Community Food Programs (October 25 - December 2, 2013) Williamson Redevelopment Authority	6	AmeriCorps NCCC In-State Projects

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.
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Senior Corps in West Virginia



SENIOR CORPS TOTALS	PARTICIPANTS	PROGRAMS
CURRENT (as of March 2, 2014)	2,851	11
COMPLETED (within last 12 months)	904	6

Primary City	Program Name Sponsor Organization	Number of Participants	Program Type
Charleston	Foster Grandparent Program of United Way (Current) United Way of Central WV	139	Foster Grandparent Program
Charleston	RSVP of United Way (Current) LifeBridge, Inc.	400	RSVP
Follansbee	Brooke/Hancock/Ohio/Marshall RSVP (Current) Brooke County Committee on Aging	320	RSVP
Parkersburg	Foster Grandparent Program (Current) Mid Ohio Valley Regional Council	155	Foster Grandparent Program
Parkersburg	Mid Ohio Valley FGP (Completed) Mid Ohio Valley Regional Council	39	Foster Grandparent Program
Parkersburg	Mid Ohio Valley FGP (Completed) Mid Ohio Valley Regional Council	158	Foster Grandparent Program
Parkersburg	Mid Ohio Valley RSVP (Current) Mid Ohio Valley Regional Council	500	RSVP
Parkersburg	MOVRC-Senior Companion Program (Completed) Mid Ohio Valley Regional Council	87	Senior Companion Program
Parkersburg	Senior Companion Fixed Grant (Current) Mid Ohio Valley Regional Council	148	Senior Companion Program
Parkersburg	Senior Companion Grant 2 (Completed) Mid Ohio Valley Regional Council	90	Senior Companion Program
Petersburg	Foster Grandparent Program (Current) Region 8 Planning and Development Council	122	Foster Grandparent Program
Petersburg	Region Eight Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (Current) Region 8 Planning and Development Council	310	RSVP
Petersburg	Retired Senior Volunteer Service Programs (Completed) Region 8 Planning and Development Council	310	RSVP
Princeton	CASE RSVP (Completed) Community Action of Southeastern WV	220	RSVP
Summersville	Fayette/Greenbrier/Nicholas/Webster RSVP (Current) Summersville Baptist Church	240	RSVP
Welch	Council of the Southern Mts' FGP (Current) Council of the Southern Mountains	87	Foster Grandparent Program
Welch	Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (Current) Council of the Southern Mountains	430	RSVP

Note: The city column refers to the location of sponsor organization. Volunteers may be serving in other locations than the city listed.