### National Service in South Dakota **2020 YEAR IN REVIEW**





#### **South Dakota by the Numbers**

2,241



205



\$3.5m

Members & Volunteers Service Locations Total Investment

#### **Meeting Needs in South Dakota**

Last year more than 2,200 Americans of all ages and backgrounds united to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and expand opportunity through national service in South Dakota. AmeriCorps invested more than \$2.0 million in federal funding to support cost-effective community solutions, working hand in hand with local partners to empower individuals to help communities tackle their toughest challenges.

AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers are preparing today's students for tomorrow's jobs, helping communities and families impacted by COVID-19, reducing crime and reviving cities, connecting veterans to services, fighting the opioid epidemic, helping seniors live independently, and rebuilding communities after disasters.

AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers served at more than 200 locations across South Dakota, 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, AmeriCorps and its partners generated more than \$1.4 million in outside resources from businesses, foundations, public agencies, and other sources in South Dakota in the last year. This local support strengthened community impact and increased the return on taxpayer dollars.

#### What is AmeriCorps?

AmeriCorps is the only federal agency tasked with elevating service and volunteerism in America. We provide opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to give their time and talent to strengthen communities across our country.

#### **A Cornerstone of Our National Culture**

By bringing people together to serve communities, AmeriCorps is making service to others an indispensable part of the American experience. We offer individuals and organizations flexible ways to make a local impact through our programs and initiatives.

#### Segal AmeriCorps Education **Award**

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 2,600 South Dakota residents have served approximately 3.3 million hours and earned education awards totaling more than \$8.2 million.

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#### **Our Programs and Initiatives**

AmeriCorps State and National matches individuals with organizations that see service as a solution to local, regional, and national challenges. There are thousands of opportunities in locations across the country to serve with nonprofits, schools, public agencies, tribes, and community and faith-based groups. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to organizations to respond to local needs.

**AmeriCorps VISTA** places individuals with organizations that fight poverty, to build capacity and make sustainable change. Through fundraising, grant writing, volunteer recruitment, and so much more, AmeriCorps VISTA members gain experience and leadership skills that put them on track for a life of service in the public, private, or nonprofit sector.

**AmeriCorps NCCC** is a full-time, team-based, residential program for 18-24-year-olds. Whether clearing trails for a national park or building homes for families in need, AmeriCorps NCCC members engage in a variety of projects in multiple communities while developing leadership and teamwork skills. AmeriCorps NCCC FEMA Corps serves communities, in coordination with FEMA, through disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.

**AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparents** provides grants to organizations to engage low-income Americans 55 and older in providing one-on-one mentoring and academic support to children with special or exceptional needs.

**AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companions** provides grants to organizations to engage low-income Americans 55 and older in providing supportive, individualizes services to help older adults and adults maintain their dignity and independence.

**AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP** provides grants to organizations to engage Americans 55 and older in tutoring and mentoring youth, responding to natural disasters, supporting veterans and their families, and meeting other critical needs.

**Volunteer Generation Fund** supports voluntary organizations and state service commissions in boosting the impact of volunteers in addressing critical community needs.

**MLK Day of Service** is observed each year on the third Monday in January as "a day on, not a day off." MLK Day is the only federal holiday designated as a national day of service to encourage all Americans to volunteer to improve their communities.

**9/11 Day of Service** calls Americans across the country to volunteer in their local communities in tribute to the individuals lost and injured in the attacks, first responders, and the many who have risen in service to defend freedom.

#### **Learn More**

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#### **Program Funding**

	Projects	Service Locations	<b>Completed Participants</b>	<b>Education Awards</b>	Federal Funding	
AmeriCorps Indian Tribes	1	2	10	\$35,351	\$84,901	
AmeriCorps National	4	6	42	\$167,990	\$377,409	
AmeriCorps NCCC	1	1	7	-	-	
AmeriCorps VISTA	6	16	30	\$159,131	\$437,928	
AmeriCorps Programs Subtotal	12	25	89	\$362,471	\$900,237	
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Foster Grandparent Program	1	4	26	-	\$159,875	
RSVP	5	154	2,065	-	\$332,220	
Senior Companion Program	1	22	61	-	\$343,483	
AmeriCorps Seniors Programs Subtotal	7	180	2,152	-	\$835,578	
Total Program Funding					\$1,735,815	
Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education	\$2,098,287					
Total Local Project Support (Non-AmeriCorps	\$1,428,985					
Total AmeriCorps Funding + Total Local Pr	oject Support				\$3,527,272	

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Notes: All data shown represents national service activity completed between January 15, 2020 and January 13, 2021. 1. Projects may be headquartered in other states. 2. The service location total may contain multiple counts of unique locations where multiple AmeriCorps programs operated. 3. Completed participants reflects all AmeriCorps members who completed service in South Dakota between January 15, 2020 and January 13, 2021. For AmeriCorps Seniors, this reflects all volunteers funded by grants completed during that same period. 4. The Education Awards figures represent the maximum potential value of Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards that could be earned by AmeriCorps members who completed service in South Dakota. 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 South Dakota. 7. Total local project support reflects non-AmeriCorps cash and in-kind resources that AmeriCorps grantees committed to raise in support of their completed grants. As part of its public-private partnership approach, AmeriCorps grantees leverage additional resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on the federal investment.

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## **Program Funding**

City	Project Name Sponsor Organization	Program Type	Service Locations	Completed Participants		Federal Funding	Current Participants
Brookings	Boys and Girls Club of the Northern Plains, Inc. VISTA Boys and Girls Club of Brookings, Moody County, and Yankton	AmeriCorps VISTA	3	5	\$30,475	\$83,520	3
Custer	SATA Stewards 2020 Conservation Legacy	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	1
Eagle Butte	Native Food Sovereignty Fellows University of Arkansas	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	-
Interior	OYSI19 - Conservation Legacy The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	6	\$12,512	\$30,794	-
Keystone	SCA SD Student Conservation Association, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$2,902	\$381	-
McLaughlin	GED Project Sitting Bull College	AmeriCorps Indian Tribes	2	10	\$35,351	\$84,901	1
Mission	REDCO Community Food Sovereignty initiative REDCO	AmeriCorps VISTA	2	2	\$12,290	\$34,275	3
Pine Ridge	Red Cloud Indian School Operating Site Red Cloud Indian School, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	2	31	\$134,290	\$304,686	30
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	Thunder Valley CDC Thunder Valley CDC	AmeriCorps VISTA	6	14	\$61,511	\$169,797	5
Rapid City	Western South Dakota Community Action Agency Western South Dakota Community Action Agency	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	-
Sioux Falls	SDSU Extension Growing Strong Communities through AC VISTA South Dakota State University	AmeriCorps VISTA	3	7	\$42,665	\$116,928	5
Sisseton	Greater Sisseton Initiative (August 17 - October 16, 2020) Greater Sisseton Initiative	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	7	-	-	-
AmeriCorps Program	ms Subtotal		25	89	\$362,471	\$900,237	48
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Oglala	Wacante Kiyapi Wacante Kiyapi	Foster Grandparent Program	4	26	-	\$159,875	26
Pierre	Central SD RSVP Avera St. Mary's Hospital	RSVP	33	279	-	\$62,137	278
Rapid City	Black Hills RSVP City of Rapid City	RSVP	46	520	-	\$52,801	520
Rapid City	Northern Hills RSVP City of Rapid City	RSVP	-	-	-	-	274
Sioux Falls	Helpline Center Helpline Center, Inc	RSVP	17	105	-	\$77,422	105
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Sioux Falls	South Dakota SCP The Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society	Senior Companion Program	22	61	-	\$343,483	60
Spearfish	BHSU RSVP Black Hills State University	RSVP	45	1,003	-	\$59,490	-
Yankton	United Way & Volunteer Services of Greater Yankton United Way & Volunteer Services of Greater Yankton	RSVP	13	158	-	\$80,370	104
AmeriCorps Seniors Programs Subtotal			180	2,152	-	\$835,578	1,367
Total Program Funding			205	2,241	\$362,471	\$1,735,815	1,415
Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education Scholarships						\$2,098,287	
Total Local Proje					\$1,428,985		
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