



## Nebraska by the Numbers


 **4,625**  
Members & Volunteers **341**  
Service Locations **\$7.0m**  
Total Investment

## Meeting Needs in Nebraska

Last year more than 4,600 Americans of all ages and backgrounds united to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and expand opportunity through national service in Nebraska. AmeriCorps invested more than \$5.7 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, connecting veterans to services, fighting the opioid epidemic, helping seniors live independently, rebuilding communities after disasters, and leading conservation and climate change efforts.

AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers served at more than 300 locations across Nebraska, 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 \$1.2 million in outside resources from businesses, foundations, public agencies, and other sources in Nebraska last year. This local support strengthened community impact and increased the return on taxpayer dollars.



## What is AmeriCorps?

AmeriCorps is the federal agency for national service and volunteerism. AmeriCorps provides opportunities for Americans of all backgrounds to serve their country, address the nation's most pressing challenges, improve lives and communities, and strengthen civic engagement.



## Bringing Out the Best in America

More than 250,000 AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers serve each year, empowering millions more to meet needs in their communities. By bringing people together to serve communities, AmeriCorps is making service to others an indispensable part of the American experience.



## Segal AmeriCorps Education Award

After successful completion of service, AmeriCorps members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award to pay for qualified educational costs. Since 1994, more than 7,100 Nebraska residents have served approximately 11 million hours and earned education awards totaling more than \$26.3 million. Higher education institutions and other organizations in Nebraska have received more than \$38.4 million in education award payments since 1994.

## Our Programs and Initiatives

**AmeriCorps State and National** awards grants to organizations to engage individuals in sustained service to address local, regional, and national challenges. Thousands of opportunities exist 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 Serve Nebraska, the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission, the Governor-appointed State Service Commission, which in turn awards grants to organizations to respond to local needs.

**AmeriCorps VISTA** places individuals with nonprofit organizations, public agencies, and tribal governments to expand reach and deepen impact in making sustainable change that alleviates the impact of poverty. Through fundraising, volunteer recruitment, program development, and more, AmeriCorps 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 18-26-year-olds. Whether building homes for families in need or accelerating our nation's capacity to respond to a crisis, AmeriCorps NCCC members engage in a variety of community identified projects during their service term, while developing leadership, teamwork, and professional 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 aged 55 and older in providing one-on-one mentoring and academic support to children with special or exceptional needs. In 2020, Foster Grandparents in Nebraska served more than 1,180 young people with special needs.

**AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companions** provides grants to organizations to engage low-income Americans aged 55 and older in providing supportive, individualized services to help homebound seniors and other adults maintain their dignity and independence. In 2020, Seniors Companions in Nebraska provided independent living support to more than 160 individuals.

**AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP** provides grants to organizations to engage Americans aged 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. It is the only federal holiday designated as a national day of service to encourage all Americans to volunteer to deepen ties to communities, expand racial equity, and solidify service to others as a national commitment.

**9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance** 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 since Sept. 11, 2001.

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## Program Funding

|                                     | Projects  | Service Locations | Completed Participants | Education Awards | Federal Funding    |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| AmeriCorps National                 | 4         | 4                 | 19                     | \$41,120         | \$55,286           |
| AmeriCorps NCCC                     | 4         | 4                 | 24                     | -                | -                  |
| AmeriCorps State                    | 10        | 38                | 127                    | \$558,717        | \$1,323,190        |
| AmeriCorps VISTA                    | 14        | 18                | 37                     | \$172,039        | \$483,957          |
| <b>AmeriCorps Programs Subtotal</b> | <b>32</b> | <b>64</b>         | <b>207</b>             | <b>\$771,876</b> | <b>\$1,862,433</b> |

|   | Projects  | Service Locations | Completed Participants | Education Awards | Federal Funding    |
|---|-----------|-------------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program | 6         | 119               | 266                    | -                | \$1,562,766        |
| AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP                       | 7         | 151               | 4,092                  | -                | \$385,730          |
| AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companion Program   | 1         | 7                 | 60                     | -                | \$313,136          |
| <b>AmeriCorps Seniors Programs Subtotal</b>   | <b>14</b> | <b>277</b>        | <b>4,418</b>           | <b>-</b>         | <b>\$2,261,632</b> |

## Other Funding

|                                     | Projects | Service Locations | Completed Participants | Education Awards | Federal Funding  |
|-------------------------------------|----------|-------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| AmeriCorps State Planning Grant     | 3        | -                 | -                      | -                | \$112,384        |
| State Commission Investment Funds   | 1        | -                 | -                      | -                | \$209,152        |
| State Commission Operations Support | 1        | -                 | -                      | -                | \$545,000        |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                     | <b>5</b> | <b>-</b>          | <b>-</b>               | <b>-</b>         | <b>\$866,536</b> |

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|---|--------------------|
| Total Program Funding   | \$4,990,601        |
| Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education Awards           | \$5,762,477        |
| Total Local Project Support (Non-AmeriCorps Resources)        | \$1,280,968        |
| <b>Total AmeriCorps Funding + Total Local Project Support</b> | <b>\$7,043,445</b> |

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Notes: Data shown represents national service activity completed between January 29, 2021 and January 28, 2022. 1. Projects may be headquartered in other states. 2. The service location total may contain multiple counts of unique locations where multiple AmeriCorps projects operated. 3. Completed participants reflects all AmeriCorps members who completed service in Nebraska between January 29, 2021 and January 28, 2022. For AmeriCorps Seniors, this reflects all volunteers funded by grants completed during that same period. For AmeriCorps Seniors projects where 2021 service location data is unavailable, service locations associated with the project from the previous year are represented or are listed with no service locations. 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 Nebraska. 5. AmeriCorps State and National, Foster Grandparent, and Senior Companion federal funding reflects the estimated proportionate annual share of the federal grant associated with the participants in this report. This includes any awarded federal American Rescue Plan funding except match replacement. AmeriCorps State and National placeholder grants have been excluded from 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. Total local project support reflects non-AmeriCorps cash and in-kind resources that AmeriCorps grantees committed to raise in support of their completed grants. This includes any awarded federal American Rescue Plan match replacement funding.

### Program Funding

| City          | Project Name<br>Sponsor Organization  | Program Type        | Service Locations | Completed Participants | Education Awards | Federal Funding | Current Participants |
|---------------|---|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Auburn        | Lead for America - NE<br>National Lead for America, Inc.  | AmeriCorps State    | 1                 | 1                      | \$6,345          | \$17,500        | 4                    |
| Beatrice      | SCA NE<br>STUDENT CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION,<br>INC., THE  | AmeriCorps National | 1                 | 1                      | \$3,098          | \$400           | -                    |
| Fremont       | Build Affordable Housing and Provide Home Repairs for Vulnerable Homeowners (July 14 - September 10, 2021)<br>Fremont Area Habitat for Humanity | AmeriCorps NCCC     | 2                 | 5                      | -                | -               | -                    |
| Grand Island  | Heartland United Way, Inc.<br>Heartland United Way, Inc.  | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 2                 | 2                      | \$12,390         | \$35,142        | -                    |
| Hastings      | YWCA Adams County AmeriCorps Program<br>YWCA Adams County   | AmeriCorps State    | 4                 | 14                     | \$23,935         | \$59,818        | 11                   |
| Kimball       | Historical Renovations, Visitors Center Improvement, and Trail Maintenance (May 7 - June 25, 2021)<br>Plains Historical Society                 | AmeriCorps NCCC     | 3                 | 6                      | -                | -               | -                    |
| King Lake     | Repair Flood Damaged Homes Throughout Douglas County (July 13 - September 10, 2021)<br>DC Community Emergency & Natural Disaster Recovery Group | AmeriCorps NCCC     | 4                 | 7                      | -                | -               | -                    |
| Lincoln       | Conservation Nebraska<br>Conservation Nebraska  | AmeriCorps State    | 2                 | 30                     | \$136,981        | \$344,096       | 18                   |
| Lincoln       | GIRLPowR Nebraska<br>Girl Powr Inc.   | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                 | 2                      | \$2,686          | \$7,440         | -                    |
| Lincoln       | Health Partners Initiative dba Partnership for Healthy Linco<br>Health Partners Initiative dba Partnership for Healthy Lincoln                  | AmeriCorps State    | 6                 | 12                     | \$19,667         | \$49,139        | 10                   |
| Lincoln       | Lead Up - Roots and Branches<br>Lead Up   | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                 | 3                      | \$4,029          | \$11,160        | -                    |
| Lincoln       | Nebraska Extension AmeriCorps VISTA<br>Board Of Regents Of The University of Nebraska   | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 2                 | 4                      | \$15,076         | \$42,582        | 2                    |
| Lincoln       | Recognizing Increased Skills in Education<br>Nebraska State Probation   | AmeriCorps State    | 8                 | 12                     | \$68,595         | \$176,330       | 5                    |
| Lincoln       | YWCA of Lincoln<br>YWCA of Lincoln  | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                 | 1                      | \$6,195          | \$17,571        | -                    |
| Nebraska City | Conservation Legacy Stewards VISTA Program<br>Conservation Legacy   | AmeriCorps VISTA    | -                 | -                      | -                | -               | 1                    |
| Omaha         | Campus Compact AmeriCorps*VISTA<br>Campus Compact   | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                 | 1                      | \$6,195          | \$17,571        | -                    |
| Omaha         | Chicano Awareness Center DBA Latino Center of the Midlands<br>Chicano Awareness Center DBA Latino Center of the Midlands                        | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                 | 2                      | \$12,690         | \$35,154        | 1                    |

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| Omaha                               | CL Environmental Stewards Corps Network, The   | AmeriCorps National | 1                 | 2                      | \$8,555          | \$1,105         | 1                    |
| Omaha                               | College Possible Omaha College Possible  | AmeriCorps State    | 10                | 28                     | \$169,029        | \$326,400       | 22                   |
| Omaha                               | Disrupting Traffick Disrupting Traffick  | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                 | 1                      | \$6,195          | \$17,571        | 1                    |
| Omaha                               | Family Housing Advisory Services Inc. (January 20 - April 2, 2021)<br>Family Housing Advisory Services | AmeriCorps NCCC     | 1                 | 6                      | -                | -               | -                    |
| Omaha                               | International Council for Refugees and Immigrants<br>International Council for Refugees and Immigrants | AmeriCorps State    | 1                 | 10                     | \$43,575         | \$112,102       | 15                   |
| Omaha                               | Omaha Admission Possible College Possible  | AmeriCorps National | 1                 | 5                      | \$11,439         | \$20,312        | -                    |
| Omaha                               | Partnership 4 Kids Partnership 4 Kids  | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                 | 4                      | \$20,078         | \$56,439        | 3                    |
| Omaha                               | Partnership 4 Kids College and Career Corps Partnership 4 Kids   | AmeriCorps State    | 1                 | 6                      | \$37,170         | \$92,873        | 7                    |
| Omaha                               | Service through Sports Up2Us, Inc.   | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                 | 2                      | \$2,686          | \$7,440         | -                    |
| Omaha                               | The Set Me Free Project The Set Me Free Project  | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                 | 3                      | \$18,885         | \$52,725        | 1                    |
| Omaha                               | Together Nourish Food Bank For The Heartland   | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 3                 | 8                      | \$40,006         | \$112,872       | 5                    |
| Omaha                               | Together, Inc. of Metropolitan Omaha Together, Inc. of Metropolitan Omaha                              | AmeriCorps State    | 4                 | 11                     | \$47,702         | \$130,640       | 7                    |
| Omaha                               | United Way of the Midlands United Way of the Midlands  | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                 | 3                      | \$18,585         | \$52,713        | 2                    |
| Omaha                               | YouthBuild Omaha YouthBuild USA, Inc   | AmeriCorps National | 1                 | 11                     | \$18,028         | \$33,469        | 6                    |
| Winnebago                           | AIHEC Tribal VISTA Project American Indian Higher Education Consortium                                 | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                 | 1                      | \$6,345          | \$17,577        | -                    |
| Winnebago                           | AmeriCorps Partnering to Protect Children IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY              | AmeriCorps State    | 1                 | 3                      | \$5,720          | \$14,291        | -                    |
| Winnebago                           | Community and Family Education and Prevention Initiative Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska                   | AmeriCorps VISTA    | -                 | -                      | -                | -               | 2                    |
| <b>AmeriCorps Programs Subtotal</b> |  |                     | 70                | 207                    | \$771,876        | \$1,862,433     | 124                  |

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| Alliance | Box Butte County RSVP City of Alliance | AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP | 34                | 2,435                  | -                | \$47,500        | 300                  |

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| Beatrice                                    | Pioneer FGP<br>Blue Valley Community Action Inc.   | AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program | 26                | 50                     | -                | \$326,908       | 98                   |
| Chadron                                     | Dawes & Sioux County RSVP<br>Northwest Community Action Partnership  | AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP                       | -                 | 115                    | -                | \$101,426       | 109                  |
| Gering                                      | CAPWN FGP<br>Community Action Partnership of Western Nebraska  | AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program | 29                | 70                     | -                | \$365,105       | 186                  |
| Grand Island                                | RSVP of North Central Iowa<br>North Iowa Area Community College  | AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP                       | 1                 | 4                      | -                | -               | 4                    |
| Hastings                                    | Adams/Webster Counties RSVP<br>Senior Action Inc.  | AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP                       | 30                | 712                    | -                | \$70,058        | 720                  |
| Hastings                                    | Senior Action, Inc. Foster Grandparent Program<br>Senior Action Inc.   | AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program | 24                | 40                     | -                | \$250,795       | 111                  |
| Lincoln                                     | Community Action Partnership of Lancaster and Saunders Count<br>Community Action Partnership of Lancaster and Saunders Counties, Inc | AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program | 3                 | 11                     | -                | \$82,654        | 20                   |
| North Platte                                | North Platte Area RSVP<br>City of North Platte   | AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP                       | 14                | 83                     | -                | \$52,500        | 297                  |
| Ogallala                                    | Ogallala City/Keith County RSVP<br>City of Ogallala  | AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP                       | 34                | 295                    | -                | \$47,500        | 885                  |
| Omaha                                       | Eastern Nebraska FGP<br>Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging   | AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program | 36                | 65                     | -                | \$342,342       | 130                  |
| Omaha                                       | Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging RSVP<br>Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging  | AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP                       | 37                | 433                    | -                | \$66,746        | -                    |
| Omaha                                       | RSVP Carroll County<br>Carroll County Board  | AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP                       | 1                 | 15                     | -                | -               | 15                   |
| Omaha                                       | SCP Omaha/Eastern Nebraska<br>Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging   | AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companion Program   | 7                 | 60                     | -                | \$313,136       | 60                   |
| Walthill                                    | Omaha Nation Community Response Team<br>Omaha Nation Community Response Team   | AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program | 1                 | 30                     | -                | \$194,962       | -                    |
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| Auburn  | Lead for America - NE<br>National Lead for America, Inc. | AmeriCorps State Planning Grant     | -                 | -                      | -                | \$44,402        | -                    |
| Lincoln | HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, NEBRASKA<br>DEPARTMENT OF     | State Commission Investment Funds   | -                 | -                      | -                | \$209,152       | -                    |
| Lincoln | HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, NEBRASKA<br>DEPARTMENT OF     | State Commission Operations Support | -                 | -                      | -                | \$545,000       | -                    |

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| Lincoln   | Lincoln Literacy Council II<br>Lincoln Literacy Council | AmeriCorps State Planning Grant | -                 | -                      | -                | \$958              | -                    |
| Omaha   | MENTOR Nebraska<br>MENTOR Nebraska                      | AmeriCorps State Planning Grant | -                 | -                      | -                | \$67,024           | -                    |
| <b>Subtotal</b>   |   |                                 | -                 | -                      | -                | \$866,536          | -                    |
| Total Program Funding   |   |                                 | 347               | 4,625                  | \$771,876        | \$4,990,601        | 3,059                |
| Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education Scholarships     |   |                                 |                   |                        |                  | \$5,762,477        |                      |
| Total Local Project Support (Non-AmeriCorps Resources)        |   |                                 |                   |                        |                  | \$1,280,968        |                      |
| <b>Total AmeriCorps Funding + Total Local Project Support</b> |   |                                 |                   |                        |                  | <b>\$7,043,445</b> |                      |

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