### National Service in Arkansas 2022 YEAR IN REVIEW





#### **Arkansas by the Numbers**









**Meeting Needs in Arkansas** 

Last year more than 2,500 Americans of all ages and backgrounds united to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and expand opportunity through national service in Arkansas. AmeriCorps invested more than \$9.4 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 pandemic, 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 Arkansas, including schools, food banks, homeless shelters, health clinics, youth centers, veterans' facilities, and other nonprofit and faithbased organizations. Through a unique public-private partnership, AmeriCorps and its partners generated more than \$1.8 million in outside resources from businesses, foundations, public agencies, and other sources in Arkansas last year. This local support strengthened community impact and increased the return on taxpayer dollars.

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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.

#### P<sup>⊥</sup> Bringing Out the Best in America

More than 200,000 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

After successful completion of service, AmeriCorps members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award to pay for qualified educational costs. Since 1994, more than 11,000 Arkansas residents have served approximately 18 million hours and earned education awards totaling more than \$36.7 million. Higher education institutions and other organizations in Arkansas have received more than \$16.4 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 EngageAR Arkansas 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 2021, Foster Grandparents in Arkansas served more than 810 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 2021, Seniors Companions in Arkansas provided independent living support to more than 130 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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A 2,564 Members & Volunteers





\$11,290,363 Total Investment

#### **Program Funding**

	Projects	Service Locations	<b>Completed Participants</b>	Education Awards	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps National	12	26	81	\$395,467	\$806,782
AmeriCorps NCCC	6	6	61	-	-
AmeriCorps State	11	54	202	\$425,328	\$984,307
AmeriCorps VISTA	19	40	196	\$731,949	\$2,118,726
AmeriCorps Programs Subtotal	48	126	540	\$1,552,744	\$3,909,815
	Projects	Service Locations	<b>Completed Participants</b>	Education Awards	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	6	81	315	-	\$2,078,401
AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP	5	90	1,585	-	\$628,457
AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companion Program	1	7	124	-	\$709,118
AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Demonstration Program	-	-	-	-	-
AmeriCorps Seniors Programs Subtotal	12	178	2,024	+	\$3,415,975

### **Other Funding**

	Projects	Service Locations	<b>Completed Participants</b>	Education Awards	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps State Planning Grant	2	-	-	-	\$117,564
State Commission Investment Funds	1	-	-	-	\$149,278
State Commission Operations Support	1	-	-	-	\$290,000
Subtotal	4	-	-	•	\$556,842
Total Program Funding					\$7,882,632
Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education A	Awards				\$9,435,376
Total Local Project Support (Non-AmeriCorps Re	esources)				\$1,854,987
Total AmeriCorps Funding + Total Local Proj	ect Support				\$11,290,363

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## **Program Funding**

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City	Project Name Sponsor Organization	Program Type	Service Locations	Completed Participants		Federal Funding	Current Participants
Bentonville	National - Arkansas National Lead for America, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	1
Cedarville	FoodCorps National PHAC FoodCorps, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	1
Conway	University of Central Arkansas BearsServe Leaders University of Central Arkansas	AmeriCorps State	8	23	\$37,228	\$107,659	30
Conway	University of Central Arkansas VISTA Program University of Central Arkansas	AmeriCorps VISTA	8	13	\$62,903	\$178,803	5
Crossett	Boys and Girls Club of Ashley County Equal Heart	AmeriCorps National	1	8	\$10,743	\$31,461	-
El Dorado	RISE Initiative and E3RPlus Literacy Coalition South Central Arkansas	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	5
El Dorado	SHARE Foundation VISTA's SHARE Foundation	AmeriCorps VISTA	2	2	\$12,840	\$37,167	2
Fayetteville	FoodCorps: AR FoodCorps, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	4	9	\$57,105	\$145,530	-
Fayetteville	Improving Nutritious Food Access in Northwest Arkansas (May 5 - August 5, 2022) Cobblestone Farms	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	11	-	-	-
Fayetteville	In-Home Tutoring for Refugees Canopy NWA	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$12,840	\$37,167	1
Fayetteville	Neighborhood Revitalization in South Fayetteville (May 5 - August 5, 2022) Mount Sequoyah Center	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	11	-	-	-
Fayetteville	Peace at Home Capacity Building Project Peace at Home Family Shelter	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	3	\$19,185	\$54,744	3
Fayetteville	University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS SYSTEM	AmeriCorps VISTA	4	8	\$51,060	\$144,642	12
Fayetteville	Volunteer Action Center and Full Circle program development University of Arkansas System	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$12,690	\$35,154	1
Fort Smith	ARC&D Full Circle FarmCorps Arkansas Resource Conservation and Development Council	AmeriCorps State	-	-	-	-	1
Fort Smith	Future School Capacity Creation Team Future School of Fort Smith	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,345	\$17,577	-
Fort Smith	Jumpstart Arkansas University of Arkansas-Fort Smith	AmeriCorps State	4	20	\$27,016	\$74,462	15
Harrison	CL Environmental Stewards Corps Network, The	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$8,762	\$1,105	-
Harrison	North Arkansas Partnership for Health Educatior North Arkansas Partnership for Health Education, Inc.	n AmeriCorps VISTA	2	6	\$38,670	\$113,514	-



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Harrison	SATA Stewards 2022 Conservation Legacy	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$2,417	\$3,447	2
Harrison	SATA Stewards 2023 Conservation Legacy	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	1
Harrison	SCA AR THE STUDENT CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION, INC.	AmeriCorps National	1	3	\$5,036	\$667	-
Hot Springs	CL Environmental Stewards Corps Network, The	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$4,851	\$612	1
Hot Springs	Support Prescribed Burns, Recreation and Timber (March 4 - May 11, 2022) USDA Forest Service - Ouachita National Forest & Ozark-St. Francis National Fore	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	8	-	-	-
Huntsville	Improving Campgrounds and Facilities in Northwest AR (November 5 - December 17, 2022) Girl Scouts - Diamonds of Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	9	-	-	-
Jonesboro	City of Jonesboro II City of Jonesboro	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Jonesboro	Legal Aid VISTA Legal Aid of Arkansas, Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	3	\$19,185	\$54,744	-
Jonesboro	Neighborhood Red Wolves Community Engagement Arkansas State University	AmeriCorps State	2	3	\$9,031	\$23,174	2
Little Rock	Anti-Hunger Corps Hunger Free America, Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Little Rock	AR Division of Workforce Services, Adult Education Section AR Division Of Workforce Service, Adult Education Section	AmeriCorps State	3	4	\$11,992	\$32,767	3
Little Rock	Arkansas Dream Center Equal Heart	AmeriCorps National	1	10	\$23,575	\$70,320	1
Little Rock	Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance Share Our Strength	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$6,345	\$12,600	-
Little Rock	Arkansas Reads Adult Learning Alliance, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	5	15	\$40,789	\$102,637	15
Little Rock	Better Community Development, Inc. Better Community Development Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	2	17	\$53,641	\$157,107	3
Little Rock	Building New Homes and Improving Nature Center Grounds (November 5 - December 17, 2022) Habitat for Humanity of Central Arkansas	AmeriCorps NCCC	2	10	-	-	-
Little Rock	Central Arkansas Library System Little Rock, City Of	AmeriCorps VISTA	3	8	\$31,328	\$92,931	2
Little Rock	Central Arkansas, HFH of Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$6,345	\$17,200	-



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Little Rock	City Year Little Rock - NATL City Year, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	6	25	\$149,283	\$426,240	25
Little Rock	CL Environmental Stewards Corps Network, The	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	1
Little Rock	Educating, Equipping, and Empowering Homeless Families in AR Our House, Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	4	22	\$70,304	\$202,686	2
Little Rock	Expanding Trail System and Creating New Camp Program Areas (January 7, 2023 - Current) Lake Nixon Outdoor Center	AmeriCorps NCCC	-	-	-	-	9
Little Rock	FoodCorps National PHAC FoodCorps, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	3
Little Rock	JA Arkansas: Moving At-Risk Youth from Poverty to Prosperity Junior Achievement of Arkansas	/ AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Little Rock	Our House, Inc Our House, Inc	AmeriCorps State	1	10	\$25,622	\$59,241	9
Little Rock	Our House, Inc II Our House, Inc	AmeriCorps State	-	-	-	-	8
Little Rock	Pfeifer Camp AmeriCorps Program KIWANIS ACTIVITIES OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS INC	AmeriCorps State	3	21	\$58,659	\$150,693	6
Little Rock	SATA Stewards 2022 Conservation Legacy	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-		1
Little Rock	Support & Connect Communities ARKANSAS PUBLIC POLICY PANEL, INC., THE	AmeriCorps VISTA	2	2	\$12,840	\$37,167	-
Little Rock	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas TEACH FOR AMERICA INC	AmeriCorps National	5	15	\$95,325	-	8
Little Rock	Women's Foundation of Arkansas Women's Foundation of Arkansas	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,345	\$17,577	-
Lowell	United Way of Northwest Arkansas, Inc. II United Way of Northwest Arkansas, Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	3	\$19,485	\$58,770	3
Magnolia	National - Arkansas National Lead for America, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$6,345	\$20,000	1
Magnolia	Southern Arkansas University VISTA Southern Arkansas University	AmeriCorps VISTA	3	84	\$226,015	\$659,852	12
Marianna	Improving Park Grounds and Supporting Outreach with Local Community (January 7, 2023 - Current) Mississippi River State Park	AmeriCorps NCCC	-	-	-	-	10
Marvell	Boys, Girls, Adults Community Development Center Boys, Girls, Adults Community Development Center	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	15	\$50,891	\$148,815	7



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Monticello	AR Smart Start AmeriCorps Tutoring Southeast Arkansas Education SEAEC	AmeriCorps State	10	46	\$80,725	\$255,140	49
Monticello	Arkansas AmeriCorps Future Teacher Initative Southeast Arkansas Education SEAEC	AmeriCorps State	8	28	\$72,242	\$11,370	28
Monticello	UAM Center for College & Career Readiness (UAM-CCR) University of Arkansas at Monticello	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$12,690	\$35,154	2
Morrilton	Community Service, Inc. Tutoring/Mentoring Program Conway County Community Service, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	7	16	\$32,992	\$87,160	25
North Little Rock	Every Arkansan, Inc. Every Arkansan, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	3	16	\$29,033	\$80,004	4
North Little Rock	National - Arkansas National Lead for America, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$6,345	\$20,000	1
North Little Rock	Supporting Local Agriculture to Work Towards Ending Food Security in AR (January 14 - April 29, 2022) St. Joseph Center of Arkansas	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	12	-	-	-
Pine Bluff	Center on Rural Innovation: Multi Community VISTA Project Center on Rural Innovation, Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$12,690	\$35,154	-
Springdale	FoodCorps National PHAC FoodCorps, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$12,990	\$57,600	3
Van Buren	FoodCorps National PHAC FoodCorps, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	2
Wynne	Increasing Accessibility and Reducing Trail Erosion (January 7, 2023 - Current) Arkansas State Parks - Village Creek State Park	AmeriCorps NCCC	-	-	-	-	8
AmeriCorps Progr	ams Subtotal		127	540	\$1,552,744	\$3,909,815	337
City	Project Name Sponsor Organization	Program Type	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Awards	Federal Funding	Current Participants
Arkadelphia	AmeriCorps Seniors FGP for Clark, Hot Spring, and Garland Dawson Education Service Cooperative	AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	14	50	-	\$648,468	50
Augusta	ARcare ARcare	AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP	33	244	-	\$93,795	238
Batesville	Batesville FGP White River Area Agency on Aging, Inc	AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	19	60	-	\$301,522	60
El Dorado	Tri-County RSVP South Arkansas Regional Health Center, Inc.	AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP	7	150	-	\$125,914	150
Fort Smith	KI BOIS Community Action RSVP Ki Bois Community Action Foundation Inc	AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP	1	2	-	-	2
Fort Smith	WestArk RSVP Western Arkansas Counseling & Guidance Center, Inc.	AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP	27	651	-	\$255,882	651



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	Western Arkansas FGP Dequeen Mena Educational Co-Operative	AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	23	68	-	\$432,007	68
Helena-West Helena	Ms River Delta FGP Save the Children Federation, Inc.	AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	1	5	-	\$29,100	5
	SCP of West Central Arkansas-Senior Specialists Area Agency on Aging of West Central Arkansas INC	AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companion Program	7	124	-	\$709,118	124
	E Arkansas FGP EAST ARKANSAS AREA AGENCY ON AGING INC.	AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	10	32	-	\$182,337	-
	Southeast Arkansas Education Service Cooperative (SEARK) ARP Southeast Arkansas Education SEAEC	AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Demonstration Program	-	-	-	-	45
Monticello	Southeast Arkansas FGP Southeast Arkansas Education SEAEC	AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	15	100	-	\$484,967	100
0	Southeast Arkansas RSVP Stuttgart Chamber of Commerce	AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP	-	-	-	-	468
	AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP of Central Arkansas Future Builders	AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP	23	538	-	\$152,866	534
AmeriCorps Seniors	Programs Subtotal		180	2,024	-	\$3,415,975	2,495

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Fayetteville	Improving Access to Healthy Foods in Rural AR Food Deserts Communities Unlimited, Inc.	AmeriCorps State Planning Grant	-	-	-	\$57,666	-
Норе	Rainbow of Challenges, Inc. Planning Grant Rainbow of Challenges, Inc.	AmeriCorps State Planning Grant	-	-	-	\$59,898	-
Little Rock	Arkansas Division of Higher Education	State Commission Investment Funds	-	-	-	\$149,278	-
Little Rock	Arkansas Division of Higher Education	State Commission Operations Support	-	-	-	\$290,000	-
Subtotal			-	-	-	\$556,842	-
Total Program Fu	Inding		307	2,564	\$1,552,744	\$7,882,632	2,832
Total AmeriCorps	Funding Including Education Scholarships					\$9,435,376	
Total Local Proje	ct Support (Non-AmeriCorps Resources)					\$1,854,987	
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