



Mississippi by the Numbers

 **1,610**
Members & Volunteers **170**
Service Locations **\$25.7m**
Total Investment

Meeting Needs in Mississippi

Working hand in hand with local partners, AmeriCorps is investing more than \$23.7 million in federal funding to support cost-effective community solutions in Mississippi. This federal funding enables more than 1,600 Americans of all ages and backgrounds united to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and expand opportunity through national service in Mississippi.

AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers are preparing today's students for tomorrow's jobs, helping communities and families impacted by the 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 serve at more than 150 locations across Mississippi, 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 \$2.0 million in outside resources from businesses, foundations, public agencies, and other sources in Mississippi 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. We provide 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 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 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 17,000 Mississippi residents have served approximately 35 million million hours and earned education awards totaling more than \$67.5 million. Higher education institutions and other organizations in Mississippi have received more than \$43.8 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 Volunteer Mississippi, the Governor-appointed State Service Commission, which in turn awards grants to organizations to respond to local needs.

Public Health AmeriCorps supports the recruitment, training, and development of the next generation of public health leaders who will be ready to respond to the nation's health needs. In partnership with the Centers for Disease Control, Public Health AmeriCorps advances more equitable health outcomes, creates pathways to quality careers, and recruits members who reflect the communities they serve.

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 2022, Foster Grandparents in Mississippi served more than 1,070 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 2022, Seniors Companions in Mississippi provided independent living support to more than 600 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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To learn more about AmeriCorps, visit: [AmeriCorps.gov](https://www.americorps.gov).



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\$ 25,716,941
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Program Funding

	Projects	Service Locations	Participants	Education Awards	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps National	3	4	30	\$83,490	\$30,240
AmeriCorps NCCC Campus	1	-	320	\$2,366,400	\$10,781,429
AmeriCorps State	6	21	309	\$717,120	\$2,086,980
AmeriCorps VISTA	12	43	130	\$537,720	\$1,867,629
Public Health AmeriCorps	2	2	2	\$26,608	\$57,600
AmeriCorps Programs Subtotal	24	70	791	\$3,731,338	\$14,823,878

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AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	5	48	310	-	\$2,527,944
AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP	3	40	379	-	\$197,346
AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companion Program	3	12	130	-	\$976,067
AmeriCorps Seniors Programs Subtotal	11	100	819	-	\$3,701,357

Other Funding

	Projects	Service Locations	Participants	Education Awards	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps State Planning Grant	2	-	-	-	\$114,400
Research Grants	1	-	-	-	\$384,828
State Commission Investment Funds	1	-	-	-	\$406,471
State Commission Operations Support	1	-	-	-	\$295,000
Volunteer Generation Fund	1	-	-	-	\$245,121
Subtotal	6	-	-	-	\$1,445,820

Total Program Funding					\$19,971,055
Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education Awards					\$23,702,393
Total Local Project Support (Non-AmeriCorps Resources)					\$2,014,548
Total AmeriCorps Funding + Total Local Project Support					\$25,716,941

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Program Funding

City	Project Name Sponsor Organization	Program Type	Service Locations	Participants	Education Awards	Federal Funding
Gautier	SCA MS THE STUDENT CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION, INC.	AmeriCorps National	2	8	\$15,258	-
Gulfport	OYSI19 - CLIMB CDC Corps Network, The	AmeriCorps National	1	20	\$49,486	-
Tupelo	MS State ND THE STUDENT CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION, INC.	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$18,746	\$30,240
Vicksburg	Members at the Southern Region campus of AmeriCorps NCCC perform service projects throughout AL, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, KY, LA, MA, MD, MS, NC, NH, PR, RI, SC, TN, VA, VI, and WV.	AmeriCorps NCCC Campus	-	320	\$2,366,400	\$10,781,429
Greenville	Mississippi Delta Nature and Learning Center AmeriCorps	AmeriCorps State	1	19	\$65,503	\$236,397
Grenada	Mississippi Delta Nature and Learning Center Grenada School District Grenada School District	AmeriCorps State	2	29	\$199,955	\$667,000
Hattiesburg	TRIAD AmeriCorps University of Southern Mississippi	AmeriCorps State	2	35	\$86,896	\$222,387
Laurel	Laurel Plays CITY OF LAUREL	AmeriCorps State	1	21	\$65,619	\$218,960
Oxford	Mississippi MiSsion Acceleration University of Mississippi	AmeriCorps State	7	100	\$145,926	\$447,234
Oxford	MS Jumpstart University of Mississippi	AmeriCorps State	8	105	\$153,222	\$295,002
Columbus	Boys & Girls Club of the Golden Triangle Project Learn Boys & Girls Club of the Golden Triangle, Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	6	24	\$110,687	\$410,780
Columbus	United Way VISTAs Connecting Counties UNITED WAY OF LOWNDES & NOXUBEE	AmeriCorps VISTA	3	9	\$45,748	\$149,883
Greenville	Our House, Inc Our House, Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$14,290	\$51,632
Hattiesburg	Oseola McCarty Youth Development Center III Oseola McCarty Youth Development Center	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	5	\$24,604	\$90,236
Jackson	Central Mississippi Continuum of Care Central Mississippi Continuum of Care	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$14,790	\$58,084
Jackson	Genesis & Light's Educational Assistance Mentoring Project Genesis & Light Center	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	14	\$25,865	\$84,742
Jackson	MS Poverty Reduction Through Needs Assessment/Asset Mapping Mississippi Alliance of Nonprofits and Philanthropy	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	6	\$41,370	\$135,540
Jackson	Refill Jackson Initiative VISTA Support Project REFILL JACKSON INITIATIVE	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$7,395	\$29,042

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Mississippi State	Maroon Volunteer Center Mississippi State University	AmeriCorps VISTA	7	27	\$78,450	\$266,653
Oxford	North Mississippi VISTA Project at UM University of Mississippi	AmeriCorps VISTA	19	36	\$163,248	\$554,103
Shelby	Anti-Hunger Corps Hunger Free America, Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$2,919	\$9,562
Walls	North Mississippi Employment Consortium VISTA Project Mississippi Center for Re-Entry	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$8,354	\$27,371
Clarksdale	Creative Minds Academy American Heart Association, Inc.	Public Health AmeriCorps	1	1	\$6,895	\$28,800
Lucedale	Family Health Center- Lucedale American Heart Association, Inc.	Public Health AmeriCorps	1	1	\$19,713	\$28,800
AmeriCorps Programs Subtotal			70	791	\$3,731,338	\$14,823,878
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Ellisville	Jones County FGP Laurel	AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	2	93	-	\$680,646
Hattiesburg	Foster Grandparent Program of SMPDD Southern Mississippi Planning and Development District, Inc.	AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	4	32	-	\$213,417
Meridian	Lauderdale County FGP Multi-County Community Service Agency, Inc.	AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	24	84	-	\$706,909
Oxford	Lafayette County FGP OXFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	12	60	-	\$560,837
Pearl	Hudspeth Regional Center-FGP of the Capital Area Mississippi Department of Mental Health	AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program	6	41	-	\$366,135
Clarksdale	Coahoma Opportunities RSVP Coahoma Opportunities, Inc.	AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP	10	68	-	\$53,300
Gulfport	Harrison County RSVP COUNTY OF HARRISON	AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP	19	116	-	\$71,531
Meridian	RSVP Meridian/Lauderdale County United Way of East Mississippi, Inc.	AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP	11	195	-	\$72,515
Gulfport	Harrison County Senior Companion Program COUNTY OF HARRISON	AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companion Program	5	39	-	\$261,478
Indianola	Sunflower/Bolivar Co's SCP Sunflower-Humphreys Counties Progress, Inc.	AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companion Program	4	56	-	\$455,335
Pascagoula	MDHS Jackson County Senior Companion Program MS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES	AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companion Program	3	35	-	\$259,254
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Jackson	We Will Go - AmeriCorps Planning Grant We Will Go	AmeriCorps State Planning Grant	-	-	-	\$75,000
Vicksburg	Drive To Thrive Mentoring Program -AmeriCorps Planning Grant Drive To Thrive Mentoring Program	AmeriCorps State Planning Grant	-	-	-	\$39,400
Mississippi State	Community colleges: Civic engagement engines Mississippi State University	Research Grants	-	-	-	\$384,828
Jackson	MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION FOR VOLUNTEER SERVICE	State Commission Investment Funds	-	-	-	\$406,471
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