



## NATIONAL SERVICE EVENTS

The heart of the AmeriCorps program is service and therefore AmeriCorps Alums is dedicated to providing awareness of and resources for continued service opportunities to engage alumni and their community in service. While all service can be meaningful and transformative, coordinating with others and aligning with national service events creates a significant and powerful impact by attracting more attention which attracts more volunteers and resources and raises awareness, but also by sheer power in numbers.

AmeriCorps Alums encourages you to make yourself aware of events and begin planning for larger events well in advance. Seek grants/funding, media promotion, resource-sharing and corps or organization-partnering opportunities to exponentially increase your impact.

Below is a list of some national service events you may want to participate in:

### January

MLK Day, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of January

### April

National Volunteer Week, 3<sup>rd</sup> week in April

### May

AmeriCorps Week, 2<sup>nd</sup> week of May

### September

United We Serve, 9/11

### October

Make a Difference Day, 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in October

### November

Family Volunteer Day, Saturday before Thanksgiving

For additional national service opportunities, check out:

[http://www.servicelearning.org/events\\_jobs/service\\_days/index.php](http://www.servicelearning.org/events_jobs/service_days/index.php)

As a local AmeriCorps Alums chapter leader you can advance your chapter's cause and make a difference in your community by inspiring national service alumni and mobilizing them for change. Use AmeriCorps Alums as your training ground for future success by connecting with our chapter specialists.