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A State-By-State Impact Report
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On February 19, 2011, the United States House of Representatives passed HR 1, an appropriations bill that essentially eliminates funding for the Corporation for National and Community Service and state service commissions. This legislation will deny local organizations and millions of Americans the resources needed to strengthen their communities. If enacted, this legislation would eliminate AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, Learn and Serve America, the Volunteer Generation Fund and many other vital resources local communities rely on to address compelling community needs.

This report documents the local impact that national and community service programs provide across America on a state by state basis. Without these highly effective national and community service programs states will lose millions of dollars in funding, including millions annually that goes directly to support higher education cost of members through the Segal AmeriCorps education award. Last year more than 5 million Americans of all ages participated in community-based programming funded by state service commissions and the Corporation for National and Community Service.

With the passage of HR 1, and the proposed elimination of the Corporation for National and Community Service and its programs, America’s Service Commissions requested from the state service commissions what the impact would be to their state if HR 1 were to be enacted. The following report is the compilation of the impact that the elimination of the national and community service programs would have on the nation, state by state. This report includes information provided by 50 state service commissions.

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State service commissions are a vital resource that help Governors tap the power of citizens to solve problems and strengthen communities.

About America’s Service Commissions

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representation, advocacy and peer support to strengthen our country through service and volunteerism.

America’s Service Commissions serves the network of state service commissions by:

- Strengthening the development of state service commissions and volunteer organizations throughout the United States.
- Supporting the development of sustainable and high-quality volunteer programs in all communities across the country.
- Informing state and national, public, private, and nonprofit policy makers of the value and importance of national and community service and volunteerism.

America’s Service Commissions works to keep AmeriCorps and community service programs operating across the entire nation and in your community.

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- Alabama would lose $13.6 million in total funding, including $2.8 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 28,500 service participants in Alabama would lose their positions, including 449 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

Elimination of AmeriCorps in Alabama would affect the following:
- **Loss of Black Belt Teachers.** Loss of Teach for America (TFA), an innovative national AmeriCorps program, relatively new to Alabama, which places highly skilled teachers in underserved areas of the state. In 2011, TFA is slated for expansion to over **100 teaching slots located primarily in the Black Belt.**

- **Loss of capacity for disaster response for BP disaster, hurricanes, tornadoes, etc.** From tarping roofs, mucking out homes, supporting shelters and assisting with long-term recovery, AmeriCorps has played a significant role in Alabama’s ability to be resilient after disasters. In the last eight years, AmeriCorps has responded to **Ivan, Katrina, the Enterprise tornado** and floods. Currently, an AmeriCorps VISTA team is supporting five local agencies on the coast for **oil spill recovery.**

- **Loss of Sight Savers**, a statewide program, that since September 2010 has followed up on **2,103 children** who have failed a vision screening, provided prescription eyeglasses for **1,453 children**, provided potentially sight-saving treatment for amblyopia and other similar diseases for over **400 children** and provided **24 legally blind children** with assistive technology that dramatically improved their quality of life by giving them the ability to accomplish everyday tasks that we take for granted, such as reading a book.

- **Loss of Impact Alabama’s FocusFirst: An Alabama Student Vision Initiative** where AmeriCorps members provide a cost-effective response to the vision problems of children who live in urban and rural areas. Over the last six years, AmeriCorps members have trained over **1,900 college students** at more than **20 colleges and universities in Alabama** who to date have screened more than **100,000 children.**

- **Loss of Impact Alabama’s SaveFirst: A Tax Preparation and Financial Literacy Initiative** trains college, graduate, and law students to provide free tax
preparation services and opportunities for economic improvement to low-income, working families. In just its fourth year, SaveFirst AmeriCorps members trained over 520 college, graduate, and law students from 10 campuses who prepared tax returns for more than 3,500 working families in Alabama—helping them to claim $6.7 million in refunds and saving them approximately $1 million in commercial preparation fees.

- **Loss of the Alabama Department of Senior Services AmeriCorps program** that focuses on reaching out to underserved seniors. With AmeriCorps, the Alabama State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) has been able to increase its benefits assistance and enrollment and now ranks fourth in the nation for enrolling the majority of beneficiaries and has helped enroll over 10,500 beneficiaries, which is a Value of Benefits to beneficiaries of over $30 million dollars. The members have increased by over 8,000 the number of beneficiaries served by one-on-one free individualized benefits counseling. Over half of Medicare and/or Medicaid beneficiaries reside in rural counties of the state, resulting in no or limited access to health information and services.

- **Loss of the YWCA’s AmeriCorps program** which for the past two years has provided a domestic violence prevention program to 16 schools and 1,187 students each year. In a metropolitan area where domestic violence is the leading cause of homicide, the community sees this work as imperative and life-saving. AmeriCorps members also conduct a racial justice program in 17 area middle and high schools. AmeriCorps members assist daily with the homeless childcare program that serves 228 children whose families are experiencing homelessness.

- **Loss of the Selma Digital Opportunity program** where AmeriCorps members provide tutoring, mentoring and technology instruction in the Selma City Schools, low-income public housing communities and local community and senior centers. Selma Digital Opportunity has provided tutoring services to over 2,400 students and technology instruction to over 400 students and over 140 adults. Members have participated in over 50 community service projects and recruited over 454 volunteers serving 2,679 hours.

- **Loss of the AmeriCorps Instructional Support Team**, a 14-year literacy and tutoring program in Butler County, where 56% of children live below poverty, and 290 AmeriCorps members have served as instructional assistants in the classroom, after-school and summer enrichment programs to over 3,300 rural pre-school through eighth-grade students.

- **Loss of the Employers Child Care Alliance AmeriCorps Team** that for 14 years has served Lee, Tallapoosa, Russell and Chambers counties and hosted over 150 AmeriCorps members who have provided tutoring and mentoring to 3,500 school age children. Members in Lee County have provided over 10,000 hours of service to American Red Cross, assisting with volunteer
recruitment/management, disaster training for preparedness and response, and deploying on both the local and national level.

- **Loss of Operation REACH’s Gulfsouth Youth Action Corps (GYAC)**
  AmeriCorps members in Alabama. Members provide mentoring, leadership development, recreational outlets, and homework assistance for youth. GYAC engages more than 100 members reaching 10,000 youth each year across the South. Since September 2010, Alabama GYAC AmeriCorps members have served 538 disadvantaged youth and children and recruited 466 volunteers.
Alaska
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- Alaska would lose $6.3 million in total funding, including $2.1 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 2,300 service participants in Alaska would lose their positions, including 466 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in Alaska

Eliminating national service programming would deprive Alaskans of core services provided in an extremely cost-efficient manner—over 320,000 hours of direct services to Alaska valued at over $6 million at a cost of just over $2 million annually.

A sample of the services that would be lost annually by eliminating national service:

Health
- 10,000 meals were prepared and served to low-income people during a three-month summer program
- 320 people received tobacco cessation referrals in 15 rural Alaskan communities
- 4,600 rural youth were involved in healthy activities

Public Safety
- 13 miles of roadsides cleared to increase visibility projects
- Removal of roadside vegetation that attracts moose in order to reduce the number of collisions
- Shovel accumulated gravel from guardrails to drain standing water off road surfaces

Education
- Middle School-AmeriCorps Partnership program focusing on student’s graduation success
- 1,975 enrolled in Adult Basic Education/English as a Second Language instruction
- 219 students under 25 years of age received their GED or high school diploma
- 2,268 books were shipped to 19 rural Alaska Head Start Centers
- 300 Alaskans left the public assistance rolls through employment
- 215 enrolled in Senior Employment Services
- 9,932 youth participated in school success activities

Environment
- 930 acres of invasive plant removal
- 12 miles of trail work
- 12 recreation sites received maintenance and construction
- Three fish and wildlife habitat improvement projects
- More than 55,000 pounds of steel, aluminum, plastic, cardboard, paper and scrap metal backhauled to recycling facilities
- More than 172 pounds of solid waste diverted from rural community dumps and landfills
- 30 pounds of batteries were collected and shipped from 20 rural communities

Other social services
- 1,872 ex-offenders received 4,083 hours of pre-and-post-release services
Arizona
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- Arizona would lose over $35.5 million in total funding, including over $11.2 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 15,000 service participants in Arizona would lose their positions, including over 2,000 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

AmeriCorps Financial Impact to Arizona (2009-2010)

- 10 AmeriCorps*State programs with 329 member slots generated 6,514 volunteers who served 197,781 hours which was tantamount to a $4,123,733 financial commitment to the Arizona community. (Independent Volunteer Sector rate for 2009 $20.85)

- 10 AmeriCorps programs were awarded $2,124,240 in formula and competitive dollars generating $1,575,994 in organizational match dollars. Therefore, the investment of $2.2 million more than doubled, generating $5,699,727 into Arizona communities.
Arkansas
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- Arkansas would lose over $8 million in total funding, including over $3.1 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 7,400 service participants in Arkansas would lose their positions, including over 520 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

Impact of CNCS Funding Elimination on Arkansas

**Health**
- 7,431 low-income residents of the Mississippi River delta region would no longer receive over $1,281,771 in prescription drug assistance
- 27,249 clients in the delta would no longer receive information on health-related issues
- 4,266 clients would no longer receive information on health insurance
- 2,793 elementary-aged students with increased BMI would no longer receive in-school instruction on healthy lifestyles
- None of the 94% of students participating in Coordinated School Health who demonstrated an increased fitness level in pre- and post-testing would be served

**Education**
- 561 illiterate adults would not be tutored
- 724 elementary-aged students would not be tutored in core curriculum
- 519 third through fifth graders would not receive Character Building through Organized Play instruction
- 90% of third through fifth graders completing the Alternative Classroom Experience program would not show an increase of ½ grade level in just five weeks
- 89% of elementary-aged students tutored would not show an increase in grade equivalent scores
- 96.5% of four-year-olds tutored would not be proficient in the structured curriculum provided

**Clean Energy**
- 173 students would not complete an Environmental Awareness Curriculum

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➢ 300 homes would not have an energy audit completed
➢ 110 homes would not be retrofitted for energy efficiency
➢ 50 homes would not be weatherized

**Economic Opportunity**

➢ Over $ 1,304,865 would not be available for use in Title IV schools in the state through the Segal Education Award
➢ 7,286 Hispanic and Marshallese residents would not have translation services provided to enable them to participate actively in their communities
➢ 176 youth would not complete over 95 community service projects
➢ 10,000 volunteers would not participate in 9/11 service opportunities
➢ 4,612 traditional volunteers would not contribute 29,224 hours of service to their communities
➢ 272 at-risk youth would not be mentored
➢ 378,261 hours of service would not be engaged by AmeriCorps members
➢ Hundreds of AmeriCorps alums would not be hired by their former sites
California
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- California would lose over $120 million in total funding, including over $50 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 180,000 service participants in California would lose their positions, including over 8,500 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

CaliforniaVolunteers AmeriCorps Impact Sheet 2009 / 2010

- California received $29 million in federal funds, with AmeriCorps programs and their local partners providing $29.1 million in local match for a total investment of $58.1 million in AmeriCorps service throughout California.

- California supported more than 3,800 members serving across 55 programs in 49 counties throughout the state.

- California AmeriCorps programs leveraged the talent, time and energy of nearly 52,000 community volunteers, resulting in more than 359,000 hours of service, with an estimated value of $7.2 million.

- California was awarded more than $10.7 million in Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards, helping more than 3,800 AmeriCorps members access higher education or repay qualified student loans.

- California AmeriCorps members served in various issue areas including, education, youth development, public safety, health and human services, and the environment, making the following impact:

  Health and Human Needs
  o More than 91,000 homeless and disenfranchised Californians were enrolled into vital human services, including emergency services, employment resources, healthcare access and legal assistance.
  o More than 900 children were prevented from entering or re-entering Child Protective Services through AmeriCorps programs that were tailored to decrease child abuse and neglect.

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Public Safety
- AmeriCorps programs educated 33,530 people in disaster preparedness, certified more than 8,000 citizens in first aid and CPR, and assisted more than 8,000 California families affected by disasters.

Education
- AmeriCorps members tutored 33,867 high-needs students, resulting in significantly increased literacy skills of a grade level for more than 14,000 students.
- More than 3,800 high-risk youth were matched with a mentor in California’s youth development programs, totaling more than 237,000 hours of service.

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Environment
- AmeriCorps members spent nearly 229,000 hours on environmental maintenance, restoration and fire fuel reduction.
- AmeriCorps members educated more than 27,000 Californians about various environmental issues.

Miscellaneous Volunteer Statistic
- In 2009, more than 7 million Californians (nearly 25 percent of the state’s population) volunteered or served in their community, contributing more than 938 million hours of service with an estimated economic value of more than $19 billion.
Colorado
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- Colorado would lose over $33 million in total funding, including over $14 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 14,500 service participants in Colorado would lose their positions, including over 3,600 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in Colorado

- 7,728 children with special needs would lose a caring adult in their life by losing their mentor/tutor
- 630 children and youth of incarcerated parents would lose support services
- 6,954 disadvantaged children and youth would lose positive youth development programming
- Nearly 14,000 fewer volunteers would be recruited and directed to offer services to 170 national service projects in Colorado
- 3,253 students would no longer have an adult mentor
- 457 property owners would no longer be advised on or provided with weatherization improvements
- 2,192 homes would not have been weatherized
- 6,970 homebound seniors and older adults would lose the help they receive to continue living independently in their own homes
- 170 community agencies would lose the critical volunteer services that keep their doors open
- 1,200 students would lose the opportunity to engage in community service linked to academic achievement and civic engagement

Meeting Community Needs in Colorado
In 2010 and 2011, more than 14,000 people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement through 170 national service projects in 56 of 64 counties across Colorado. Serving with national and local nonprofits, schools, faith-based organizations and other groups, these citizens tutor and mentor children, support veterans and military families, provide health services,
restore the environment, respond to disasters, increase economic opportunity and recruit and manage volunteers.

**Senior Corps**
More than 9,300 seniors in Colorado contribute their time and talents to serve as tutors, provide services to homebound seniors, conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 1,300 groups across Colorado.

**AmeriCorps and VISTA**
In 2010 and 2011, AmeriCorps will provide more than 3,600 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven services to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities across Colorado. Since 1994, more than 22,000 Colorado residents have served more than 17 million hours and qualified for $29 million in Segal Education awards.

**Learn and Serve America**
In 2010 and 2011, Learn and Serve America has engaged more than 1,200 Colorado students in community service that is linked to service-learning skills (academic learning paired to the learning of civic skills).
Connecticut
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- Connecticut would lose over $11 million in total funding, including over $3.7 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 9,000 service participants in Connecticut would lose their positions, including over 570 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

Snapshot: AmeriCorps State Members Getting Things Done for CT Communities
- 3,021 Volunteers Recruited and served their community through AmeriCorps
- 391 AmeriCorps members that are in a degree-seeking program (college students)
- 801 Disadvantaged Children and Youth – Serving as Community Volunteers
- 1,128 Disadvantaged Children and Youth Served
- 1,107 Individuals Mentored

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in Connecticut
- More than 9,200 people of all ages and backgrounds will not help to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement in Connecticut.
- AmeriCorps will not provide more than 580 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities across Connecticut.
- More than 5,500 seniors in Connecticut will not contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs.
  - Foster Grandparents will not serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than 1,200 young people who have special needs.
  - Senior Companions will not help more than 270 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
  - RSVP volunteers will not conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 960 groups across Connecticut.
- More than 3,100 Connecticut students will not be engaged in community service linked to academic learning and the development of civic skills through Learn and Serve America.
Delaware
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- Delaware would lose over $3.2 million in total funding, including over $868,000 annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 4,000 service participants in Delaware would lose their positions, including over 140 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in Delaware

- More than 4,100 people of all ages and backgrounds will not help to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement in Delaware.
- AmeriCorps will not provide more than 140 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities across Delaware.
- More than 3,900 seniors in Delaware will not contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs.
  - Foster Grandparents will not serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than 1,500 young people who have special needs.
  - Senior Companions will not help more than 1,000 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
  - RSVP volunteers will not conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 270 groups across Delaware.
District of Columbia
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- Washington, DC would lose over $41 million in total funding, including over $11.8 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 4,900 service participants in the District of Columbia would lose their positions, including over 1,600 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in Washington, DC

- The District will lose 63 AmeriCorps Program Sites
- More than 1,600 AmeriCorps members will disappear from schools and community-based organizations in every Ward of the city
- 64 DC Public and Public Charter Schools will lose the support of AmeriCorps members
- More than 6,600 students will miss out on tutoring and mentoring sessions both in-school and after-school
- Overall, more than $17 million in AmeriCorps Program Funding will disappear
- More than $3 million in Learn and Serve Program Funding will dry up
- There will no longer be any Higher Education Learn and Serve America Program Sites at world-class universities like The George Washington University, Georgetown University, Howard University and the University of the District of Columbia
- 114 community partnerships will no longer exist between Universities and local nonprofits and businesses
- 95 partnerships working to revitalize the nonprofit sector due to the economic downturn will no longer be in existence
- Close to 3,000 college students would miss out on the opportunity to take a high-quality service-learning course
- More than 1,400 K-12 and college students will lose out on the opportunity to make meaningful contributions to their community while building their academic and civic skills

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• 763 adults age 55 and over will lose the opportunity to serve their community through the three Senior Corps Program Sites
• More than $1.1 million in Senior Corps Funding will dry up
• 7,781 volunteers would not be able to serve in Washington, DC
• Overall, the District will lose almost $30 million in funding from CNCS programming

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- Florida would lose over $33 million in total funding, including over $10.6 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 74,000 service participants in Florida would lose their positions, including over 1,500 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of AmeriCorps in Florida

Florida’s AmeriCorps programs have impacted the lives of over 404,000 Floridians in just the past year. These programs recognize that the best solutions come at the local level where everyday people are finding ways to solve problems in their communities. By understanding that every community has different needs, AmeriCorps participants strategically create solutions at the local level, while making our state stronger and reducing reliance on government.

A sample of some of the services that would be lost annually by eliminating AmeriCorps in Florida includes:

- 91,359 students would lose general mentoring and educational services
- 11,641 students at risk of academic failure would lose intense tutoring or direct teaching
- Mentoring and youth programs would be removed from 326 schools
- 8,674 seniors would lose critical services including accessing healthcare, management of medical/nutrition challenges and healthy living opportunities
- 5,573 family members would lose home foreclosure assistance and employment access
- 11,372 adults and youth would lose disaster preparedness and safety programs
• Over 20,000 individuals affected by disaster would lose assistance. Last year, this included home fire survivors, Haitian evacuees and Alabamians impacted by floods per a multi-state partnership

• 10,598 fewer volunteers would be recruited

• 61,000 acres of Florida’s Public Lands and 873 miles of Trails in Florida’s State Parks would not be maintained

• 68,723 community members, including 53,729 youth, would lose domestic violence awareness and prevention activities
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- Georgia would lose over $21 million in total funding, including over $8.9 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 17,000 service participants in Georgia would lose their positions, including over 2,400 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in Georgia would mean:

Each year,
- 7,000 children would lose a caring adult in their life by losing their mentor/tutor.
- 2,000 youth would lose safe afterschool programming.
- 230 children and youth of incarcerated parents/single-parent homes would lose support services.
- 75 youth would not be involved in Gang Resistance and Education Training programming to disrupt gang activity.
- 101 youth would no longer be educated about the dangers of guns and drugs.
- 871 property owners/tenants would no longer be provided Crime Prevention strategies training.
- 120 adults would lose English literacy tutoring.
- 8,000 students would lose environmental education lessons.
- 10,000 uninsured people would lose access to health services and health education.
- 3,400 families would lose emergency food assistance.
- 125 people with disabilities would lose support services.
- 1,300 hours of crime prevention activities would not occur.
- 204 agencies meeting local community needs would lose critical volunteer services.
- 9,000 students would lose the opportunity to engage in community service linked to academic achievement and civic engagement.
- 300 seniors would lose supports that help them stay in their homes and live independently.
Hawaii
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- Hawaii would lose over $9.8 million in total funding, including over $3.9 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 13,000 service participants in Hawaii would lose their positions, including over 800 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in Hawaii

- More than 13,000 people of all ages and backgrounds will not help to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement in Hawaii.
- AmeriCorps will not provide more than 800 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities across Hawaii.
  - More than 39,000 racially and culturally diverse families will no longer receive early childhood education services through the HIPPY Program.
  - More than 18,000 families with limited English proficiency will no longer receive early childhood education services through the HIPPY program.
  - 350 youth and young adults will not be provided with jobs, training, education, and career opportunities in the conservation field through the Hawaii Youth Conservation Corps.
  - Over 17,000 volunteers will not be led through the HYCC AmeriCorps program, losing an additional 26,000 hours of service to the community.
- More than 4,400 seniors in Hawaii will not contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs.
  - Foster Grandparents will not serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than 440 young people who have special needs.
  - Senior Companions will not help more than 250 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
  - RSVP volunteers will not conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 480 groups across Hawaii.
- More than 8,000 Hawaiian students will not be engaged in community service linked to academic learning and the development of civic skills through Learn and Serve America.
Idaho
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- Idaho would lose over $8 million in total funding, including over $2.3 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 6,400 service participants in Idaho would lose their positions, including over 360 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding
If AmeriCorps programs were not present in Idaho

- 124,000 academically at-risk Idaho students in Ada, Bannock, Blaine, Bonneville, Boundary, Canyon, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Madison, Payette, Twin Falls, Valley and Washington counties would not have received individualized tutoring and mentoring support.
- 78,730 of those students (65%) would not have displayed academic improvement in the tutored subjects.
- 3,708 underachieving K-3 students tutored would not have maintained or improved reading skills.
- 13,244 students would not have received career assistance.
- 2,000 Idaho students would not have worked toward or received their GED.
- 8,544 Idahoans would not have been recruited by AmeriCorps members to provide ongoing tutoring and mentoring in communities where they served. These volunteers have served a total of 32,595 hours since 2001.
- 18,000 community volunteers would not have served more than 47,000 hours meeting community needs through projects organized by AmeriCorps members.
- Lewis-Clark Service Corps would not have collected almost $25 million in cash and in-kind contributions from host sites and the community since 1994. In 2009-2010, that included $324,000 cash match and over $3,201,000 in-kind.
- The 20 students at Lewis-Clark State College who are serving their community for a minimum of 300 hours a year would not receive a $1,000 education award to help pay student loans or continue their education.
- Students and faculty in all divisions at Lewis-Clark State College would not have had the additional support necessary to offer service-learning opportunities to 48 classes with 1,696 students who served 37,225 hours in the community. Students
deliver Meals on Wheels, build wheelchair ramps, provide health care to the uninsured, coach youth sport teams, perform community-based research, support veterans, and offer friendly visiting to isolated senior citizens.

- 909 LC Service Corps members would not have received the subsistence living allowance, health insurance, and education assistance provided by AmeriCorps. These members, many of whom eventually became teachers, would not have had the opportunity to develop classroom skills through AmeriCorps service.

- In 2010-2011, AmeriCorps members would not be serving in 35 elementary schools, 11 divisions within colleges and universities, six STEM-based programs, 11 correctional facilities and probation and parole programs, two faith-based organizations, one tribal adult education program, two middle schools, and eight nonprofit and educational enrichment programs.

- The Veterans Serving Veterans (VSV) program would not have 10 work-ready but formerly unemployed veterans serving as AmeriCorps members to help our state’s returning veterans. With start up just since October 2010, the members have improved services to veterans exponentially with 16 hard-to-place veterans already employed because of the program.

- Without the VSV program, an additional 4,353 veterans in Idaho would not have been contacted in the past four months by email, letter or telephone. Ongoing services to these include:
  - 255 veterans receiving referrals to other resources and/or veteran agencies.
  - 967 veterans being provided work readiness services including résumé, job application, and labor market information help.
  - 146 veterans also provided computer skills services, how to apply for jobs via computer, and instruction in using the Internet for their work search.
Illinois
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- Illinois would lose over $33 million in total funding, including over $12.2 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 85,800 service participants in Illinois would lose their positions, including over 2,600 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

How AmeriCorps Benefits Illinois

The state of Illinois supports 33 AmeriCorps*State programs; these programs are located throughout the state and AmeriCorps members deliver services in 289 host sites. Currently, the state of Illinois receives $6,441,534 in AmeriCorps funding and the program match for this amount of funding is $7,589,932. In the 2009-2010 program year, AmeriCorps members recruited 14,686 volunteers. These volunteers performed 85,516 hours of service. A volunteer hour is valued at $22.50 per hour\(^1\), therefore volunteers’ yearly service is valued at $1,924,110. A total of $15,955,576.88 is devoted to support national service and volunteerism.

Overall and Community Benefits

- Over 5,679 individuals were mentored, and 94,887 total disadvantaged youth were served by members in the past year.
- AmeriCorps members at a local food pantry have served an average of 4,000 people each month.
- A total of 1,060 students were tutored by local AmeriCorps members last year. Of the students who were tutored consistently for at least one semester, 94.6% showed improved study skills, class participation or other forms of school readiness.
- AmeriCorps members have provided over 3,000 rural residents with access to health and human resources, job skills, employability research and personal development training.

\(^1\) Statistic compiled from Independent Sector: The Value of Volunteer Time: http://www.independentsector.org/volunteer_time
• AmeriCorps Members are engaging students in an intensive academic support program: 100% of these students are on track to graduate from high school, 100% have received admission to at least one highly selective college or university, and 100% of college seniors who were part of the program in high school are on target to graduate from college.
Indiana
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- Indiana would lose over $16 million in total funding, including over $5.2 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 34,000 service participants in Indiana would lose their positions, including over 1,000 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination

- More than 34,000 people of all ages and backgrounds will not help to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement in Indiana.
- AmeriCorps will not provide more than 1,000 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities across Indiana.
- More than 8,200 seniors in Indiana will not contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs.
  - Foster Grandparents will not serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than 12,000 young people who have special needs.
  - Senior Companions will not help more than 300 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
  - RSVP volunteers will not conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 890 groups across Indiana.
- More than 25,000 Indiana students will not be engaged in community service linked to academic learning and the development of civic skills through Learn and Serve America.
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The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination

- Over 2,180* Iowans would be forced to seek alternative forms of employment, including more than 1,100 AmeriCorps members. Most AmeriCorps members are 18-25 years old, the age group which has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Iowans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.
- Iowans would lose over $5 million annually in higher education funding.
- Nearly 20,000 national service participants in Iowa would lose their positions.
- Eliminating national service programming would deprive Iowans of core services provided in an extremely cost-efficient manner—$233 million worth of direct services at a cost of just $19.4 million to the federal government. In fact, volunteers provide Iowa with $2.2 billion dollars of services, a figure that has increased $426 million (when adjusted for inflation) annually since the creation of the Corporation for National and Community Service and its programs. A sample of some of the services that would be lost annually by eliminating Senior Corps, AmeriCorps (NCCC, State & VISTA) and the Volunteer Generation Fund:
  - 1,138 individuals affected by disaster would lose assistance, 436 disaster-affected homes would remain damaged or unlivable, over 20,000 sandbags would not be placed to hold back flood waters
  - 9,755 children would lose a caring adult in their life by losing their mentor/tutor
  - 493 children and youth of incarcerated parents would lose support services
  - 13,910 disadvantaged children and youth would lose youth development programming
  - Over 100,000 fewer volunteers would be recruited and utilized in Iowa communities
  - 94 houses would fail to be built for families in need
  - 11,941 youth would not be provided with safe places to play and learn during out-of-school hours

*Based on program year 2009-2010 data from the Corporation for National & Community Service and the Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service.

**includes 114 national service staff positions and 2073 stipended national service positions

America’s Service Commissions
American Association of State Service Commissions

www.statecommissions.org
o 2,637 youth would fail to be engaged in “Healthy Start” programming to promote nutrition and exercise
o 1,550 youth would no longer learn about school-to-work transition
o 4,283 Iowans would no longer be educated on energy and environmental sustainability
o 6,284 home owners would lose weatherization services or consultations
o Over 65,108 Kilowatt hours/year of energy ( $2 million in long term energy savings) and 5,159,640 gallons of water/year would not be saved
o 782 homebound seniors and older adults would lose the help they receive to continue living independently in their own homes
o Over 1,000 community agencies would lose the critical services that help keep their doors open
o Over 11,000 students would lose the opportunity to engage in community service linked to academic achievement and civic engagement
o 14,297 youth would lose environmental education programming
o Over 9,932 trees and native plants would not be planted, 2,500 acres of land would not be treated for fire mitigation through controlled burns, and 15,355 acres of wildlife habitat would not be restored or improved
o 399 miles of trails would not be established or restored (water and land)
Kansas
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- Kansas would lose over $11.9 million in total funding, including over $2.3 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 9,400 service participants in Kansas would lose their positions, including over 450 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination

- More than 9,600 people of all ages and backgrounds will not help to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement in Kansas.
- AmeriCorps will not provide more than 450 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities across Kansas.
- More than 7,200 seniors in Kansas will not contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs.
  - Foster Grandparents will not serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than 8,700 young people who have special needs.
  - Senior Companions will not help more than 640 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
  - RSVP volunteers will not conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 870 groups across Kansas.
- More than 2,000 Kansas students will not be engaged in community service linked to academic learning and the development of civic skills through Learn and Serve America.
Kentucky
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- Kentucky would lose over $21.5 million in total funding, including over $5.9 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 37,000 service participants in Kentucky would lose their positions, including over 860 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of AmeriCorps Funding Elimination in Kentucky

- 336 AmeriCorps members would not have provided 556,800 hours of service to the Commonwealth of Kentucky and its citizens.
- AmeriCorps members would not have recruited 10,270 community volunteers who provided 69,793 hours of service in their hometowns. Community volunteers would have included 1,406 children, 1,271 college students and 2,540 baby boomers. These were recruited by AmeriCorps members.
- Members would not have collected enough food during the Make A Difference Day 2009 Food Drive to feed 423,745 Kentuckians an 8 ounce serving.
- Members would not have served 36,830 disadvantaged children/youth, 588 children of incarcerated parents and 5,386 at-risk seniors.
- AmeriCorps members would not have mentored 10,967 at-risk K-12 students.
- Members would not have provided disaster education to 10,687 individuals.
- Members would not have participated in 76 disaster service projects such as making “grab and go” emergency bags.
- 76 members would not have become certified in disaster preparedness and response with 19 members available for deployment.
- Members would not have responded to 112 local disasters including local community fires and the flooding in Eastern Kentucky.

America’s Service Commissions
American Association of State Service Commissions
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- 2,315 community members would not have received assistance from members and/or volunteers during disaster response and recovery.

- 32 new homes would not have been constructed and 85 homes would not have been repaired, rehabilitated or weatherized.

- 9,361 homeless individuals and families would not have found permanent or transitional housing thanks to housing counseling and related assistance from AmeriCorps members.

- 171 emergency shelter agreements would not have been developed, creating shelters for times of emergency.

- 5,669 children in grades 1-12 would not have received academic tutoring.

- 4,830 students would not have participated in drug education and prevention programs.

- 10,105 at-risk elderly and disabled citizens would not have received help with everyday living tasks so they could remain in their homes and continue to live independently.

- Members would not have provided benefit counseling and employment assistance to 1,513 individuals.

- Members would not have delivered 63,480 meals to at-risk seniors.

- Members would not have identified 246 community resources to assist parolees transitioning back into their home communities.

- 527 parents would not have been involved in a research-based home visitation model called "Parents as Teachers," ensuring a higher level of parental involvement in education and a greater level of school readiness for the children.
The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in Louisiana

- Over 1,000 citizens will be forced to seek alternative forms of employment.
- Louisiana would lose $7 million in federal funding and $4.8 million in local matching investment. Additionally last year, members earned $754,000 in Education Awards for post-secondary education.
- Nearly 24,000 national service participants in Louisiana would lose their positions, including over 1,000 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are 18-25 years old, the age group which has the highest unemployment rate nationally. AmeriCorps is putting our young Louisianans to work in a productive way. Last year, they served 465,825 hours at a value of $9,088,246.
- Eliminating national service programming would deprive Louisiana citizens of core services provided in an extremely cost-efficient manner. A sample of some of the services that would be lost annually by eliminating national service:
  - 20 nonprofit and faith-based agencies would lose critical service providers
  - 38 parishes would see a decrease in their ability to provide services for their citizens
  - 25,131 people impacted by loss of services
  - Critical state issues areas will be negatively impacted:
    - coastal restoration
    - tutoring and mentoring
    - preschool readiness
    - training to formerly incarcerated adults
    - health education, training and services
    - youth development
    - affordable housing
    - continued hurricane recovery projects
  - 1,093 K-12 students would lose a tutor or mentor
  - 76,374 disadvantaged children and youth would lose a caring adult helping them achieve higher educational outcomes
  - 14,074 persons would be unable to access job development training or placement services
  - 134 buildings or houses will not be rehabilitated, renovated or repaired
  - 14 ramps would not be built for disabled citizens
  - 2,400 Christmas trees would not be recycled to prevent coastal erosion
  - 400 yards of bridges would not be built in marshes and other wetland areas
- 25,906 community and out-of-state volunteers would not be recruited and managed for 178,718 hours and economic value of $3,486,788 to the state.
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The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in Maine

• Nearly $800,000 in funding for post-secondary education would be lost to citizens of a state whose priority is to increase the number of people who attain a college degree or trade certification.

• 8,800 national service participants in Maine would lose their positions, including 270 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are 18-25 years old, the age group which has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is engaging young Mainers in work that tackles persistent community problems, a much more productive activity than unemployment.

• Eliminating national service programming would deprive Maine communities of core services provided in an extremely cost efficient manner—~$18.5 million worth of direct services to Mainers at a cost to the federal government of just $7.4 million annually. A sample of some of the services that would be lost annually by eliminating national service:
  o 99,713 meals would not be prepared and delivered to homebound elderly and disabled citizens.
  o 1,564 people would be deprived of transportation to medical appointments
  o 2,312 children with special needs would not receive support services at home or in schools
  o 4,000 students would not receive environment and science lessons
  o The launch of seven new volunteer centers serving 70% of the state citizens would be halted before it even started
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The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination

- 2,300 – Number of AmeriCorps positions lost
- 7,000 – Number of seniors who will lose the opportunity to participate in Senior Corps to help children in foster care or low-income seniors
- 175,000 – Number of students who will lose access to meaningful service and service-learning opportunities
- 400 local nonprofits will lose access to AmeriCorps member and volunteer support
- 450 Maryland citizens will not be trained to respond to disasters in all regions of the state
- 20,000 Maryland citizens will not be recruited to volunteer at Meals On Wheels, Habitat for Humanity, the Girl Scouts, and more than 37,000 disadvantaged youth will lose mentors, tutors, and coaches

Maryland AmeriCorps and other CNCS-funded initiatives touch every corner of the state. In all, over 15,000 Maryland AmeriCorps members have served across the state. Through the environmental and human service projects they have led, every Maryland citizen has benefited in some way from a modest investment of public funds.
Massachusetts
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- Massachusetts would lose over $71.6 million in total funding, including over $14.7 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 36,000 service participants in Massachusetts would lose their positions, including over 2,700 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding in Massachusetts (data reported from 2009-2010 Program Year)

- 22,296 disadvantaged youth received support
- 12,211 youth received tutoring
  - 957 preschoolers received literacy tutoring
  - 11,254 K-12 students received tutoring and academic assistance
- 50 high school dropouts received GED/alternative diploma tutoring
- 4,161 youth received support from a mentoring relationship with a caring adult
- 1,922 at-risk youth received counseling and case management services
- 767 at-risk youth received anti-violence/gang prevention outreach services
- 9,806 youth engaged in leadership skills training
- 265 youth of incarcerated parents received support
- 235 land protection and natural resource management projects were completed
- 4,923 youth received health and wellness education/information
- 1,122 K-12 students received environmental education
- 21,289 K-12 students participated in Community Service-Learning opportunities
- 956 teachers received support to provide CSL opportunities to their students
- 9,392 individuals received access to physical and mental health care
- 218 individuals received independent living services
- 1,268 elderly people with severe special needs and caregivers received support from a Senior Companion
- 64 low-income housing units were rehabilitated/stabilized
- 1,106 economically-disadvantaged individuals received housing placement legal counsel and services
- 8,000 low-income individuals with legal problems affecting family stability or self-sufficiency received legal assistance
• 17,154 additional volunteers were engaged through AmeriCorps and Learn & Serve America
• 7,221 older adults volunteered through Senior Corps programs
• 2,316,882 service hours were donated by AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, and Learn & Serve America participants to help meet critical needs in Massachusetts
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Eliminating AmeriCorps: The Impact in Michigan

Economic Opportunity More than 2,000 Michiganders would be forced to seek alternative forms of employment as a result of the elimination. More than $6 million in match funds from companies, foundations, and other sources would be lost. More than $2.5 million in education awards AmeriCorps members could use to attend Michigan colleges and universities or to pay back qualified federal loans would be lost.

Issue Areas The following issues will suffer as a result of the elimination.

- Healthcare education and access for 85,358 low-income individuals and families will not be provided.
- 3,431 individuals will not receive assistance and may remain without adequate housing.
- Foreclosure prevention assistance will not be provided to 5,372 individuals.
- Literacy and academic support will not be provided to more than 8,418 children and youth.
- Detroit residents will not experience a 10% decrease in crime, nor a 10% increase in the perception of their personal safety.
- 4,245 individuals will not receive disaster relief services after large and small-scale disasters in their communities, including house fires.
- Pro-social activities will not be provided for nearly 120 formerly incarcerated individuals.
- Mentoring support will not be provided to more than 8,058 children who benefit from on-going mentoring relationships.
- More than 24,000 community volunteers will not be recruited, placed, and/or supported.

Organizations 350 Michigan organizations, representing all 83 counties in the state, would be affected by the elimination. Below is a list of those most recognizable:

- 36 Homeless Providers/Housing Agencies
- 25 Detroit Public Schools Buildings
- 18 Grand Rapids Public Schools Buildings
- 14 Red Cross Chapters
- 14 Habitat for Humanity Affiliates

America’s Service Commissions
American Association of State Service Commissions
www.statecommissions.org
- 12 Community Health Centers
- 9 Big Brothers Big Sisters Agencies
- 38 Additional Schools across the state
- Countless others

*Please note this information is relevant to the Michigan’s AmeriCorps program*
Minnesota
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- Minnesota would lose over $26.8 million in total funding, including over $16.4 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 30,000 service participants in Minnesota would lose their positions, including over 2,000 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in Minnesota

ServeMinnesota aligns service with proven approaches that yield measurable results. Its education initiatives combine the power of AmeriCorps with measurable, evidence-based learning methods to help thousands of children achieve grade-level proficiency in reading and math – two critical indicators for future success.

In Minnesota, our Education Portfolio addresses the primary gateways to educational success. Without AmeriCorps resources, thousands of children would not receive the critical interventions they need to succeed in school and life.

- 5,800 students will enter kindergarten without the literacy and social/emotional skills needed to be successful and develop the foundation for their future academic success.
- 12,000 students will not receive the research-based targeted literacy interventions necessary to be proficient readers by third grade impacting their future success in all academic subjects.
- 1,250 students will not receive the research-based targeted math interventions to be proficient in algebra by eighth grade.
- 8,140 students will not receive critical academic assistance and support of a caring adult resulting in low attendance, behavioral issues and lack of school engagement and eventual high school drop-out.
- 650 community college students will not have the academic support necessary to earn a college degree resulting in lower lifetime earning potential for those students.

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Economic Opportunity

- 7,300 unemployed and underemployed individuals will not receive the job training and coaching necessary to acquire a new job and become financially self-sufficient.
- 1,750 unemployed and underemployed individuals will not be placed in jobs resulting in fewer taxes being collected and continued reliance on government benefits.
- 70 affordable housing units will not be built and 150 will not be maintained resulting in increased expenses for low-income families, overcrowding in homes, seniors unable to remain in their homes, and homelessness.
- 1,278 AmeriCorps members will be looking for employment, in addition to dedicated program staff of 16 sub-grantees.

Volunteer Mobilization

- 45,000 community volunteers will not be leveraged resulting in a significant reduction of capacity for many nonprofit and faith-based organizations that address the most critical community needs in Minnesota.

Healthy Futures

- 200 American Indian youth will not receive education and guidance about healthy nutrition and exercise resulting in greater rates of childhood obesity and diabetes.

Environmental Stewardship

- 3,500 homes of low-income families will not be weatherized resulting in significantly higher utility bills and greenhouse gas emissions.
- 20,500 additional MMBTUs of greenhouse gasses will be emitted into the environment resulting in reduced air quality and global warming.
Mississippi
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- Mississippi would lose over $35 million in total funding, including over $14.5 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 11,200 service participants in Mississippi would lose their positions, including over 1,800 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination on the State of Mississippi

- 1,150 Mississippians engaged in full-time, paid national service positions would be forced to seek alternative forms of employment. The number of participants being paid for work makes national service effectively one of Mississippi’s top 50 employers.
- Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning will lose over $14.5 million available for tuition payments through the Segal Education Award.
- 11,294 national service participants in Mississippi would lose their positions, including 1,849 AmeriCorps members.
- Eliminating national service programming would deprive Mississippian of a variety of services currently delivered through cost-effective, results-oriented national service programs. A sample of some of the services that would be lost annually by eliminating national service:
  - 14,532 children would not receive specialized after-school tutoring assistance; 6,870 students would not receive in-school tutoring services.
  - Nearly 50,000 fewer volunteers would be recruited/ utilized – a potential loss of over 226,000 hours of service performed in Mississippi communities.
  - 5,364 youth would not benefit from the opportunity to engage in community service linked to academic achievement and civic engagement.

America’s Service Commissions
American Association of State Service Commissions
www.statecommissions.org
15 new homes would not be built; 103 homes would not be refurbished, and 33 home weatherizations would not occur.

1,882 individuals with disabilities and their families would not receive life skills training, assistance in transitioning from assisted living facilities to independent living, and increased accessibility through Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Surveys.

More than 450 homebound seniors would lose the help they receive to continue living independently in their own homes.
Missouri
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- Missouri would lose over $21 million in total funding, including over $7.4 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 23,500 service participants in Missouri would lose their positions, including over 950 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

AmeriCorps in Missouri (2009-2010):
- 53,361 volunteers were leveraged by 382 AmeriCorps State members, which based on The Independent Sector is worth $20.85 per hour or $1,112,576.85
- 16,204 disadvantaged youth were served
- 2,917 individuals received mentoring
- 28 children whose parents are incarcerated were served by AmeriCorps members
- 126 AmeriCorps members participated in disaster relief
- 311 members were certified in disaster preparedness and response
- 176 members were available for deployment
Montana
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- Montana would lose over $10 million in total funding, including over $5 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 9,000 service participants in Montana would lose their positions, including over 1,400 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

Snapshot: 1,100 AmeriCorps State members serving in Montana
- At least 17 years of age -- a few as old as 65 -- with a median age of 23
- Two-thirds claim Montana as their residence
- Serve a minimum of 300 hours – some giving up to 3,000 hours a year
- One-third earn a stipend
- When completing term of service, all can earn an education award ranging from $1,175 to $5,350
- More than $1.87 million in education awards was earned to pay for college in 2009
- Since 2005, $9.5 million in education awards has gone to colleges and universities and student lending organizations in Montana
- Focus on Education, Veterans and Military Families, Environmental Stewardship, Opportunity, Healthy Futures, Disaster Services, Math and Science Education, Clean Energy, and Volunteer Generation

Snapshot: AmeriCorps State Members Getting Things Done for MT Communities (Since July 2009)
- Planted 83,306 Trees
- 444 College Students volunteered while studying Health Care Occupations
- Collected 50,000 lbs of Food
- Built or Maintained 1,673 Miles of Trail - enough to walk the interstate from Glendive to Missoula … three times
- Mentored 3,437 Children
- Weatherized 2,700 Homes
- Restored 18 Miles of Stream Bed
- Built or Repaired 56 Miles of Fence - stretching the distance of the Beartooth Highway or Going to the Sun Road
• 104 College Students volunteered while preparing to be Teachers
• Distributed Tax Prep Information to 3,500 Montana Citizens
• Recruited 25,543 volunteers

Snapshot: AmeriCorps*VISTA Members getting things done for Montana Communities (Since July 2009)
• Recruited and trained over 15,495 Community Volunteers to support and sustain the work. These volunteers contributed 92,621 hours to local organizations and government agencies.
• Helped in generating over $2,049,361 for local organizations and government agencies.
• Completed 406 Community Assessments and conducted 551 Evaluations.
• Developed and Supported 231 Community groups to lead the effort and assisted these Community groups in creating 270 Strategic Plans.

Snapshot: In just the last year, over 6,600 Senior Corps volunteers served in Montana:
• Three Senior Companion Programs with 205 Senior Companions served 192,077 hours in 31 counties and the Fort Peck Indian Reservation.
• Five Foster Grandparent Programs with 303 Foster Grandparents served 280,540 hours in 23 counties, as well as the Fort Belknap, Crow, Northern Cheyenne, and Flathead Indian Reservation.
• Fifteen RSVP Programs with 6,105 volunteers served 1,057,438 hours in 34 counties, as well as the Fort Belknap, Northern Cheyenne, and Flathead Indian Reservations

Snapshot: Montana Ranks 9th for Volunteerism
(According to a national survey – Volunteering in America)
• 35.5% of Montanans Volunteer
• Top 2 areas citizens spend their time volunteering:
  • Church and
  • Education
• Billings, in an average year (2006-2009)
  • 37,000 individuals volunteered
  • Contributed 4.3 million hours of service to their community
Nebraska
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- Nebraska would lose over $8.5 million in total funding, including over $1.9 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 17,000 service participants in Nebraska would lose their positions, including 300 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination³

- 2,151 disadvantaged children and youth would lose positive youth development programming.
- 225 adults would not receive the literacy and computer skill instruction needed to successfully compete for employment.
- 14 low-income employable youth would not develop the skills and abilities to secure competitive employment and avoid dependence on public benefits.
- 350 central Nebraska families would go hungry.
- 2,549 individuals with disabilities would not receive the support needed to live independently.
- 522 families living in older homes would not receive education and support services to protect children from lead paint poisoning.
- 127 refugees would not receive assistance in securing employment.
- 400 low-income households would not receive assistance with their taxes.
- 226 latchkey children would not receive homework assistance in after school programs.
- 559 rural adult and youth probationers would not receive educational and employment assistance essential to lead productive lives and avoid re-offending.
- Thousands of fewer volunteers would be recruited and directed to offer service.

³ Based on program year 2009-2010 data from the Corporation for National & Community Service and ServeNebraska.
770 organizations and groups across Nebraska would not have the 5,006 volunteers age 55 and over assisting them in providing community mentoring services to low income and at-risk youth, building houses, immunizing children, and improving and protecting the environment.

2,900 young Nebraskans with special needs would not receive one-on-one tutoring and mentoring services.

540 homebound seniors and other Nebraskans would not have support services and transportation to medical appointments to assist them in maintaining independence and live in dignity in their own homes.

Hundreds of community agencies would lose the critical volunteer services that keep their doors open.

More than 1,000 college and 1,422 K-12 grade students would not be available to engage in community service linked to academic achievement and civic engagement.

More than 100 staff at ServeNebraska, service agencies, and all AmeriCorps members would lose their jobs.

299 AmeriCorps State and tribal members would not have the opportunity to provide service to meet education, environmental, health, economic, and veterans needs, discover career paths and become active participants in Nebraska’s workforce.
Nevada
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- Nevada would lose $2.5 million in AmeriCorps funding. Without these funds, 340 citizens would not have the a minimum living allowance, in many cases keeping them from filing unemployment, nor the opportunity to address critical unmet needs throughout our state through AmeriCorps service.
- These same 340 AmeriCorps members are projected to earn a $500,000 in education awards, much of which will be spent at Nevada’s institutions of higher education.
- Nevadan’s stepped up to the plate in record numbers last year to help their communities: 204 AmeriCorps members recruited over 7,000 volunteers. These volunteers provided $1.6 million in free services to Nevada – services the state would otherwise be pressed to provide.

A few examples of service in southern Nevada (Las Vegas and surrounding counties):
- Mentoring and tutoring 2,000 students in Clark County through our AmeriCorps program with United Way
- Connecting 500 homeless teens to community resources through The Luz Community Coalition

A few examples of service in Northern and Rural Nevada:
- 857 Students tutored in Lander county through Nevada Outdoor School
- 7,000 meals served to seniors in rural Nevada
- 10 support groups for 70 child victims of domestic assault through Parasol Tahoe Community Foundation in Incline Village
- Over 69,000 pounds of food distributed in areas surrounding Lake Tahoe
- Nevada’s newest program at Children’s Cabinet has 48 AmeriCorps members providing educational and human services to youth in Washoe County.

Statewide through Great Basin Institute’s Nevada Conservation Corps:
- Removed hazardous fire fuels from 320 acres of our public lands
• Planted 16,991 trees and plants
• Removed invasive species from 10,598 acres of public land
New Hampshire
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- New Hampshire would lose over $9.2 million in total funding, including over $2.6 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 4,400 service participants in New Hampshire would lose their positions, including 400 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in New Hampshire

- More than 4,400 people of all ages and backgrounds will not help to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement in New Hampshire.
- AmeriCorps will not provide more than 400 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities across New Hampshire.
- More than 3,600 seniors in New Hampshire will not contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs.
  - Foster Grandparents will not serve as one-on-one tutors and mentors to more than 2,200 young people who have special needs.
  - Senior Companions will not help more than 550 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
  - RSVP volunteers will not conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 490 groups across New Hampshire.
- More than 340 New Hampshire students will not be engaged in community service linked to academic learning and the development of civic skills through Learn and Serve America.
New Jersey
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- New Jersey would lose over $26.3 million in total funding, including over $5.4 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 18,500 service participants in New Jersey would lose their positions, including over 940 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in New Jersey

- More than 18,000 people of all ages and backgrounds will not help to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement in New Jersey.
- AmeriCorps will not provide more than 940 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities across New Jersey.
- More than 7,500 seniors in New Jersey will not contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs.
  - Foster Grandparents will not serve as one-on-one tutors and mentors to more than 1,700 young people who have special needs.
  - Senior Companions will not help more than 760 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
  - RSVP volunteers will not conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 840 groups across New Jersey.
- More than 10,000 New Jersey students will not be engaged in community service linked to academic learning and the development of civic skills through Learn and Serve America.

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The impact of losing AmeriCorps in New Mexico

- Loss of AmeriCorps education awards. This generates $2.9 million in revenue for local colleges and universities.

- Loss of over 750 service positions throughout the state. Service and volunteerism in New Mexico equates to $1.1 billion in economic impact according to a federal volunteering in America report.

- AmeriCorps education awards also create a pathway to college and careers by making college affordable for New Mexicans.

- Service and volunteerism creates a pipeline to careers for New Mexicans.

Service and Volunteerism is a cost-efficient way to meeting the needs of NM Communities

- AmeriCorps members address critical needs in New Mexico’s communities at a fraction of the cost of a regular full-time or part-time employee.

- A full-time AmeriCorps member earns roughly $12,000 per year compared to roughly $30,000 per year or more for a regular full-time employee.

- AmeriCorps members leveraged an additional 1,798 volunteers

- 10,649 disadvantaged children and youth were served

- 6,501 individuals were mentored
New York
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In 2010, more than 77,000 people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement through 243 national service projects across New York State. Serving with national and local nonprofits, schools, faith-based organizations and other groups, these citizens tutor and mentor children, support veterans and military families, provide health services, restore the environment, respond to disasters, increase economic opportunity, and recruit and manage volunteers. In addition, 2.9 million community volunteers served more than 355 million hours. These in-kind services saved local and state government more than $7.4 billion in revenue by leveraging human capital.

Failure to fund the Corporation for National and Community Service will eliminate $99,500,000 in funding to support New York State communities through national service initiatives including:

**AmeriCorps**
- More than 5,300 individuals will not have the opportunity to serve their country through intensive, results-driven national service programs which address education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities throughout New York State.
- Other individuals who have historically served through AmeriCorps VISTA, to help bring individuals and communities out of poverty by serving full-time to fight illiteracy, improve health services, create businesses and increase housing opportunities will no longer be able to assist this struggling population.
- In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members earn an education award that can be used to pay for college or to pay back qualified student loans. Since 1994, more than 59,000 New York residents have served more than 93 million hours and have qualified for Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than $202,000,000.

**Learn and Serve America**
- Learn and Serve America provides grants to schools, colleges, and nonprofit groups to engage more than 42,000 New York students in community service linked to academic learning. Studies have proved that experience-based service-learning strengthens communities, improves academic engagement, and prepares young people for a lifetime of responsible citizenship. Eliminating funding to the Corporation for National and Community Service will terminate this valuable opportunity for youth in New York State.
Senior Corps
- More than 29,000 seniors in New York contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs. Foster Grandparents serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than 6,300 young people who have special needs. Senior Companions help more than 2,400 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes. RSVP volunteers conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 2,800 groups across New York.
- If funding for the Corporation for National and Community service is eliminated, not only will these valuable community services cease, but the mental and physical health benefits which benefit seniors in these programs will also end.

Additional Service Programs in New York State
- Elimination of the Corporation for National and Community Service will close three Social Innovation Fund grants totaling $19,918,426 which support innovative and replicable solutions to education, economic or health challenges. In addition, a Volunteer Generation Fund grant of $400,000 to strengthen volunteer recruitment and management, and build capacity among non-profit organizations in New York State will also end.

AMERICORPS PROGRAMS STIMULATE THE ECONOMY
In March, 2009 the New York State Commission on National and Community Service received $7.4 million in federal funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). This funding was sub-granted to 33 community-based and educational institutions across New York State and successfully placed 811 New Yorkers in AmeriCorps positions that provided each participant a living stipend and education award. The following impact on New York’s communities and our economies would not have been possible without funding for AmeriCorps:
- 1,479 New Yorkers received unemployment and skills training and counseling
- 195 individuals were placed in jobs
- 64,994 hours of tutoring and literacy services were provided to 60,628 individuals
- 7,559 individuals improved their academic performance
- 3,105 individuals received services related to home foreclosures and housing assistance
- 731 individuals received housing rehabilitation, weatherization, and energy-efficiency services
- 89 existing homes and structures were rehabilitated, weatherized, and made energy-efficient
- 9,744 individuals received information on health insurance, health care access, or health benefit programs
- 58 individuals enrolled in health insurance and health benefit programs
- 54,071 more individuals were served this year than during the previous year
• 313 more services were offered than were offered during the previous year
• 26,232 community volunteers were recruited and provided services to 29,328 New Yorkers

AMERICORPS MEMBER IMPACT ON NEW YORK COMMUNITIES
As a result of the service of AmeriCorps members in local communities across New York State in 2010, pressing needs were met.

• 49,760 volunteers of all ages were recruited, coordinated, or supported programs.
• 248,374 hours of service were completed by non-AmeriCorps volunteers.
• 4,615 disadvantaged children with special needs or who are economically disadvantaged served as a community volunteer.
• 6,059 individuals enrolled in a community, professional, or technical college that served as a community volunteer in partnership with an AmeriCorps program.
• 3,411 New Yorkers born between 1946 and 1964 were recruited by AmeriCorps members and served their community as volunteers.
• 318 AmeriCorps members participated in disaster services projects, were certified in disaster training, or responded to a local, state, or national disaster.
• 80,831 New York youth with special needs or who are economically disadvantaged received services from an AmeriCorps program.
• 123 New Yorkers under the age 25, who have one or both parents or legal guardians serving or having served a period of time in jail and/or prison received services through an AmeriCorps program.
• 22,984 received tutoring or mentoring support from an AmeriCorps member in New York State.
• 2,931 individuals received independent living services, including respite care, from an AmeriCorps member to help them to live independently in their homes in community-based settings.
• 583 New Yorkers received assistance from program participants and/or leveraged volunteers responding to disasters and participating in recovery efforts.
North Carolina
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- North Carolina would lose over $34.6 million in total funding, including over $9.6 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 22,000 service participants in North Carolina would lose their positions, including over 1,300 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in North Carolina

- More than 22,000 people of all ages and backgrounds will not help to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement in North Carolina.
- AmeriCorps will not provide more than 1,300 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities across North Carolina.
- More than 9,600 seniors in North Carolina will not contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs.
  - Foster Grandparents will not serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than 1,900 young people who have special needs.
  - Senior Companions will not help more than 760 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
  - RSVP volunteers will not conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 990 groups across North Carolina.
- More than 11,000 North Carolina students will not be engaged in community service linked to academic learning and the development of civic skills through Learn and Serve America.
North Dakota
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- North Dakota would lose over $2.6 million in total funding, including over $290,000 annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 4,700 service participants in North Dakota would lose their positions, including 142 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of AmeriCorps Funding Elimination in North Dakota

- Over 1,100 disadvantaged youth will not receive home work assistance and mentoring services.
- Over 100 youth will not receive independent living assistance.
- Over 4,000 youth and young adults will not receive street outreach services.
- Over 200 students suspended or expelled from school will not receive services that will assist them in returning to school.
- Over 50 youth will not receive the assistance needed to prepare them for kindergarten.
- Over 700 older adults will not receive services to help them stay active in their communities.
Ohio
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- Ohio would lose over $23.8 million in total funding, including over $8.4 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 56,000 service participants in Ohio would lose their positions, including over 1,400 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

AmeriCorps in Ohio
The Ohio AmeriCorps Program engaged AmeriCorps members in service to their communities while gaining valuable job skills, retraining for new careers, and learning more about local issues and how they can remain a part of the community after their service. Upon completion of a full-time term of service, AmeriCorps members receive a Segal Education award to use towards educational pursuits or repaying qualified student loans.

Since 1994, over $60.0 million in education awards have been received by individuals serving as AmeriCorps members in Ohio. Of that total, approximately $35 million has been applied to institutions and/or lenders in the state of Ohio on behalf of AmeriCorps members.

- Approximately 10% of a member’s time is dedicated to ongoing professional development related to their service, life after AmeriCorps, and related soft skills such as communications, team building, and leadership development, preparing them for careers in public service, non-profit leadership, and with other public and private sector employers.

- During their year of service, AmeriCorps members make important connections in their communities that will benefit their future job search or career transitions.

- AmeriCorps members serve in local non-profits, faith-based organizations, public/private schools, higher education, and community-based organizations helping solve problems related to education, health, environment, economy, and supporting Ohio’s veterans.
AmeriCorps Members Getting Things Done for Ohio Communities

Improving Academic Performance
AmeriCorps members and volunteers are helping ensure young people are prepared to enter school and improving grade level performance through school enrichment, after-school, and summer programs for youth, and community-based programs for adults.

- 93% of pre-school children participating in the OSU Kid Corps AmeriCorps program showed at least a two-point increase in their summed scores on the Phonological Awareness Literacy Screening (PALS), an assessment designed to capture change in literacy skills.

- 70% of adults that were engaged in the Urban Appalachian Councils Project ACE mentoring programs, and completing pre- and post-tests, showed at least one grade level improvement as measured by the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE).

- 100% of children tutored in City Year Cleveland’s AmeriCorps K-2 literacy program improved their reading skills based upon the LEARNS assessment.

- 84% of youth participating in Columbus Housing Partnership’s AmeriCorps after-school program showed academic improvement of one letter grade on their final report card.

- 97% of responding parents of children in the YWCA after-school programs reported that they were better able to meet housing goals due to the availability of the after-school program.

Improving Individual & Community Health
AmeriCorps members and volunteers are helping improve individual and community health, through programs designed to reduce childhood obesity, increase access to quality food, increase the number of health screenings, and educate individuals and families healthy food choices.

- 74% of children participating in Children’s Hunger Alliance CATCH curriculum programs, conducted by AmeriCorps members and volunteers, increased their cardiovascular endurance, with 46% of those children improving by 20% or more.

- 14,860 health screenings were conducted by Ohio University’s ComCorps AmeriCorps members. Screenings for lice, vision, hearing, BMI, and immunizations and early detection helps assure individuals receive appropriate assistance and/or improves learning for young people.
• 120 adults with disabilities participated in socialization and education programs provided by the Portage County Family & Community Service, Inc. POWERcorps AmeriCorps program.

• 3,380 volunteers were recruited and supported by AmeriCorps members and served 10,398 hours at the YWCA Family Center to assist with meal planning, preparation, and service. Volunteers also support financial literacy education programs and after-school programs.

• More than 4,000 individuals participated in one-on-one educational programs and support services, provided by the Ohio Association of Second Harvest Foodbanks HarvestCorps AmeriCorps members. A recent study shows that individuals accessing services through the Ohio Benefit Bank are decreasing their reliance on food pantries, moving less, not missing as many utility payments, and have reduced stress.

Empowering Individuals to Succeed
AmeriCorps members and volunteers are educating and empowering individuals to succeed by ensuring individuals maintain safe and affordable housing, facilitating adult education classes, mentoring students to improve college admission rates of first generation students; and assisting with employment preparedness.

• 90% of clients served by the Homeless Prevention and Housing Opportunity AmeriCorps program achieved their desired outcome of preventing an eviction or foreclosure, preventing utility disconnection, maintaining habitable housing, or eliminating health code violations.

• 79% of adults participating in the GED preparation program with the Urban Appalachian Council’s Project ACE AmeriCorps program reached at least 9.0 grade level in both reading and math on the TABE test and passed the GED, earning high school equivalency certification.

• More than 40,000 central Ohio citizens participated in disaster and emergency preparedness educational programs through the Prepare Central Ohio AmeriCorps program operated by the American Red Cross of Greater Columbus.

• 29,137 high school students participated in individual and group mentoring to prepare them for the application process to a college or university through the College Access Corps AmeriCorps program.

• 80% of High School Juniors and seniors mentored by AmeriCorps members registered for or had taken the ACT; 86% of seniors had applied for post-secondary education as a result of being mentored by the Cincinnati Youth Collaborative College Access and Mentoring AmeriCorps members.

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Oklahoma

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- Oklahoma would lose over $12.5 million in total funding, including over $4.4 million annually that goes directly to support Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 14,400 service participants in Oklahoma would lose their positions, including over 800 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination for one year alone:

- 14,000 individuals would lose their service positions in Senior Corps and AmeriCorps programs
- 2,700 young people with special needs would lose a caring adult in their life by losing their mentor/tutor provided by Foster Grandparents
- 510 homebound seniors and other adults with special needs who are trying to maintain independence in their own homes would lose their Senior Companions
- 1,300 groups across Oklahoma would lose their RSVP volunteers who conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters and provide other
- More than 600 individuals would not have the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet the pressing needs in communities across Oklahoma.
- 21,208 fewer volunteers would be recruited and directed to offer 79,819 hours of service in Oklahoma.
- 2,528 K-12 students would not receive tutoring, homework help or reading intervention services.

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4 Based on program year 2009-2010 data from the Corporation for National & Community Service and the Oklahoma Community Service Commission.
- 14,322 clients would not receive services provided by AmeriCorps members.
- 18,700 youth would not be provided with safe places to play and learn during out-of-school hours.
- Thousands of community agencies would lose the critical volunteer services that keep their doors open.
- 3,600 students would lose the opportunity to engage in community service linked to academic achievement and civic engagement.
Oregon
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- Oregon would lose over $16.5 million in total funding, including over $6 million annually that goes directly to support Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 15,000 service participants in Oregon would lose their positions, including over 1,200 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

Summary of AmeriCorps State Member Accomplishments
Program Year 2009-2010

Education
- 2,780 students tutored in grades 1-12. [3]
- 55 alternative high school students received academic support. Students averaged 88% school attendance rate and a credit completion average of 85%. [1]
- 18,576 youth participated in Extended School Day and/or Summer Programs. [6]
- 2,350 extended-day opportunities offered for youth. [4]
- Parent/family involvement activities at local schools served 18,403 participants. [3]
- 744 parents engaged in substantive conversations to address strategies for improved academic excellence for students, and ways to access basic resources such as food, clothing etc. [1]
- 7,632 youth attended prevention education presentation on healthy sexuality, life skills, child sex abuse, and/or violence awareness and prevention. [1]
- 859 individuals received training on financial literacy. [2]

Environment
- Eliminated 168 occurrences of invasive species infestations and other environmental risks on 555 acres of land. [1]
- Collected 127 pounds of native seeds for planting. [1]
- Monitored 8,780 acres of rare or threatened species. [1]
- Directed -- stream restoration projects in seven different regions of the state. [1]
- Implemented three prescribed burns totaling 140 acres. [1]
- 1,071 youth supported in providing community garden activities.
- 41 presentations on solar, wind and conservation science.
Disaster Response

- 43 AmeriCorps members across the state available as trained disaster responders. [1]
- Community disaster education presentations to 1,195 adults. [1]
- Emergency skills classes to 2,149 youth and adults. [1]
- 15,972 people receive disaster preparedness information at local safety fairs and neighborhood mitigations. [1]

Human Needs

- 26 children were matched with a mentor. [1]
- 448 at risk youth and adults received support services. [1]
- 1,054 individuals received employment and skills training. [2]
- 892 services were provided to address Healthy Start parent child education. [1]
- 1,318 services were provided to assist with Parent-Child Development for Head Start. [1]
- 2,981 individuals received home foreclosure and housing assistance. [1]
- 787 individuals received assistance in accessing health care. [1]
- 3,937 services were provided to seniors and adults with disabilities. [1]
- 4,294 individuals and families received assistance to address food insecurity. [1]
- 2,946 young people received increased access to critical social support services. [1]
- 1,987 services related to homelessness were provided. [1]
- 3,107 adults received services in the areas of housing, employment, healthcare, health education, hunger, independent living and other needs. [2]

Community Strengthening

- 10,448 non-AmeriCorps volunteers were recruited or supported in providing community service. [all]
- Seven rural communities received professional food assessments to address food insecurity [1]
- 195 new resources developed for communities including: databases, assessments; maps; brochures/newsletters; grant/fund development resources; websites. [2]
- 612 community partnerships created. [3]
- 20 funding plans developed to address local needs and 14 entrepreneurship classes offered to rural community residents. [1]
- 1,429 community residents benefited from 29 separate professional skill exchange opportunities and classes on: emergency preparedness, volunteer recruitment, fundraising, goal development, computer skills, database management, meeting facilitation, surveys, GIS and social media. [1]
- 1,157 capacity building resources such as volunteer manuals, handbooks, training brochures, event forms and training manuals provided to local communities. [2]
**Member Development**

- 20 members received training through an academic curriculum and earned college credit. [1]
- Six members received red card certification for prescribed fires activities. [1]
- All members received training in life skills, leadership, problem solving, Life After AmeriCorps, citizenship and civic responsibility.
- All members received training in technical skills related to carrying out their assignments.

* All programs provide member orientation, training, development and support.

[x] = number of programs involved in creating this service

**Education Awards in Oregon**

- $2.5 million to Oregon schools and universities annually.
- Members serving in Oregon have earned $28,761,630 in Education Awards between 1995-2009.
Pennsylvania
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- Pennsylvania would lose over $48.9 million in total funding, including over $19 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 40,000 service participants in Pennsylvania would lose their positions, including over 3,700 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination in Pennsylvania

- 2,728 individuals affected by disaster would lose assistance
- 8,162 children would lose a caring adult in their life by losing their mentor
- Nearly 14,000 students would not receive academic tutoring in key subjects
- 224 children and youth of incarcerated parents would lose support services
- 47,132 disadvantaged children and youth would lose positive youth development programming
- 32,500 fewer volunteers would be recruited and directed to offer service in Pennsylvania
- 200 low-income preschoolers would not receive school readiness help.
- 3,108 youth would not be provided with safe places to play and learn during out-of-school hours
- 1,319 youth would no longer be educated on substance abuse prevention
- 4,283 would no longer be educated on energy and environmental sustainability
- 222 property owners would no longer be advised on or provided with weatherization improvements
- 212 homes would not have been weatherized
- 865 water samples would not be collected to assess water quality affecting 100,000 citizens residing near regional watersheds
- 25 homebound seniors and older adults would lose the help they receive to continue living independently in their own homes
- Thousands of community agencies would lose the critical volunteer services that keep their doors open
3,770 students would lose the opportunity to engage in community service linked to academic achievement and civic engagement
Rhode Island
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- Rhode Island would lose over $8.7 million in total funding, including over $2.4 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 9,000 service participants in Rhode Island would lose their positions, including over 520 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

In the present program year, 2010-2011, Serve Rhode Island administers $3.1 million in AmeriCorps funding for nine community programs, engaging the services of 259 individual AmeriCorps members. In addition, seven other National Direct organizations contribute another 258 members bringing the state total to 517 individuals who are dedicating a year of service in Rhode Island schools and community organizations. The impact of their work is tremendous.

Last year, which was the 2009-2010 AmeriCorps program year, Serve Rhode Island administered three categories of CNCS AmeriCorps grants (formula, competitive and ARRA) and funded 11 programs engaging 405 AmeriCorps members who served a total of 382,200 hours, for an average of 944 hours per member. According to Volunteering In America, the average value of a member’s time is $20.85 per hour. The total value of time given by the 405 AmeriCorps State members was $7,968,870 for the state of Rhode Island.

2009-2010 Formula Programs: In the 2009-2010 AmeriCorps program year, Serve Rhode Island administered three (3) formula-funded programs involving 131 AmeriCorps members who served a total of 52,791 hours averaging 403 hours per member:

East Bay Community Action (EBCAP): 10 full-time (1,700 hours) AmeriCorps members served within EBCAP’s array of departments to assist low-income individuals access the basic and necessary social services. The team’s effort resulted in: 369 screenings for rental applications; 466 referrals for heating assistance; 750 income tax returns completed; outreach to 250 Head Start families in 2 languages regarding eligibility and enrollment for the upcoming school year; 7,803 food pantry clients served (providing 11,797 meals); and, 250 completed Food Stamp applications.

RI Campus Compact Scholarships For Service (SFS): 118 minimum time (300 hours) members engaged in service to local communities. Members recruited America’s Service Commissions
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1,664 non-AmeriCorps volunteers during the year of service, an average of 15 per member. Members served in over 100 non-profit agencies in 15 cities and towns throughout the state.

**RI Coalition for the Homeless (RICH):** Eight members served low to moderate income neighborhoods by conducting outreach and raise awareness about affordable housing resources and issues. The corps members covered a wide geography in some of RI’s hardest hit neighborhoods including: Providence, Central Falls, Cranston, Pawtucket, Newport and Woonsocket. Members conducted outreach to 4,000 tenants to ensure they know about housing resources that are available to them.

**2009-2010 Competitive-Funded Programs:** In the 2009-2010 AmeriCorps program year, Serve Rhode Island administered six (6) competitive-funded programs involving 148 AmeriCorps members who served a total of 218,861 hours, averaging 1,478 hours per member:

- **Brown University/Swearer Center College Advising Corps (CAC):** 22 members worked with 12 public high schools and the Community College of Rhode Island to improve student access to the college application process. A total of 1,200 high school students received college application assistance. CAC increased college application rate (over non-participating students) by 14%.

- **City Year of Rhode Island:** 40 members served to increase middle school aged students’ literacy skills by means of in school and after-school programming. A total of 325 students at six service sites (4 public middle schools, 1 public high school and 1 local community center) we assisted. Members recruited more than 1,000 community volunteers to assist with school improvement service projects.

- **Mt. Hope Learning Center:** 15 members focused on comprehensive community education and youth empowerment activities through its primary after-school partnership with the King Elementary School.

- **Ocean State Environmental Education Collaborative (OSEEC):** 15 members provided science education to elementary students to enhance and enrich their public school curriculum through four partner collaborative agencies -- Roger Williams Park & Zoo, Norman Bid Sanctuary, Audubon Society of RI, and Save the Bay. Members delivered 984 programs in core urban cities benefiting 14,264 students. OSEEC members also recruited 450 volunteers to clean the Roger Williams Park Pond, removing over 6,000 pounds of trash.

- **Providence Children Museum:** 13 members focused on enhancing interest in learning among early-childhood and elementary aged children through museum Learning Clubs and provided professional development opportunities for Head Start teachers. Members conducted after-school Learning Clubs serving 563 children ages five to 12 from low-income neighborhoods. Museum-based
Members served 313 children in 22 Learning Clubs from 13 partner agencies in the greater Providence area. In addition, a total of 1,308 children in Head Start programs were served.

**Ready To Learn Providence:** 35 members provided outreach and educational opportunities to childcare providers in Providence, Pawtucket and Central Falls: 18 early childhood centers and 110 early education providers at childhood education settings. Members read 2,942 books and presented 8,881 literacy activities to 1,871 children. Members also served at 10 community libraries and visited a total of 62 licensed child-care providers, 50 family childcare providers and 12 center-based programs.

**2009-2010 ARRA (Recovery) Funded Programs:** In the 2009-2010 AmeriCorps program year, Serve Rhode Island administered six (6) ARRA-funded programs involving 126 AmeriCorps members who served a total of 110,548 hours, averaging 877 hours per member. These members served in six separate programs – Bridges 4 Learning, the College Advising Corps at Brown University, Community Education Collaborative (consisting of the MET school, City Arts and Highlander Charter), Mt. Hope Learning Center, Providence Children’s Museum, and Scholarships for Service (a program of RI Campus Compact). AmeriCorps member accomplished the following:

- Leveraged 1190 non-AmeriCorps community volunteers who contributed 38,053 hours of service to local communities;
- Assisted 3,416 disadvantaged children and youth with in and after school programs;
- Mentored 2,135 in-school youth;
- Provided training and counseling to 312 community members, 20 of whom were placed in jobs;
- Provided 2,131 hours of tutoring and literacy services to 3,652 individuals in the local communities; and,
- Made 56 local homes more energy efficient.
South Carolina
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- South Carolina would lose $12 million in total funding, including over $3.2 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 22,000 service participants in South Carolina would lose their positions, including over 940 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of AmeriCorps State Funding Elimination for South Carolina

- 22 volunteers will not be engaged in elementary school literacy tutoring in eight (8) schools in the Lancaster School District. Members are trained in disaster preparedness and response as well as community volunteer service. More than 200 students will lose their literacy coaches.
- 38 Corps members will not be providing tutoring and mentoring in eight (8) schools in Lee County. Members consist of adult and high school students on track to graduate. In addition, members will engage in community service in collaboration with local faith based organizations and conduct community volunteer recruitment activities. More than pre-kindergarten and elementary school 450 students will lose their tutor/mentors.
- 80 high school seniors, on track to graduate, will not be a part of a structured, school-managed cross-grade tutoring program providing tutoring services to 125 academically deficient students in eight elementary and one middle school in the Spartanburg One School District. 125 members serve in local food banks, the American Red Cross, and church feeding programs, and engage in volunteer recruitment and disaster preparedness and response training.
- 250 college student members will not be a part of the SC Healthy Families Programs. They are located in nonprofit agencies like Harvest Hope Food Bank and faith-based food programs where they educate low-income families on nutrition and wellness. At least 15,000 families will lose this vital assistance.
- Nine (9) Corps members will not serve low-income families through community non-profits and faith communities at 11 sites in high poverty rural areas in Charleston, Dorchester and Berkeley Counties. They help families navigate support systems related to basic needs, financial/adult education services, public benefits, tax credits, and health coverage. At least 1,500 desperately poor families will lose this resource.

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• 50 college-level Corps members will not serve as tutors and mentors to 100 middle level students from Orangeburg and Calhoun County. These members design weekly lessons to instruct the middle level students and provide one-on-one mentoring and tutoring in reading and writing.

• 100 high school members will not tutor and mentor 450 at-risk elementary students in schools, community centers and faith based locations in the Spartanburg Seven School District.

• 10 members placed in participating organizations in Anderson County will not increase high school graduation rates/GED completion through tutoring mentoring and service learning. Nonprofit and faith groups where these members work include: Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club, Alston Wilkes Society, Anderson Interfaith Ministries Women & Children Succeeding Program, Youth Volunteer Corps, We Stand for Kids, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Impact!, Family Promise, Anderson County School District 4 and Anderson County School 5.

• 42 members will not develop the social and emotional skills that increase motivation to learn, make students more attached to school, decrease misbehavior and improve attendance, grades, standardized test scores and graduation rates. They will provide a high-quality after school program that gives children a safe harbor when they would otherwise be left unsupervised at home or subject to the dangers of street life. The curriculum is designed to develop self-awareness, relationship skills, social awareness, self-management and responsible decision-making. More than 160 children will lose this after school program each week, putting them and their families at risk.

• 10 members will not be engaged in a collaborative project to reduce victimization from domestic and sexual assault through primary prevention methods and to increase reporting by victims through increased public awareness and outreach efforts. At least 250 families in Chesterfield, Marlboro, Dillon, Marion, & Williamsburg counties will lose services.

• 33 members will not support nonprofit agencies in Greenville and Pickens County. The programs served consist of Financial Independence Programs, Benefits Bank Counselor & VITA Sites, Foothills Family Resources, Greer Relief, Center for Community Services, Alston Wilkes Society, ARC of Pickens County, Seniors Unlimited , SHARE, Good Samaritan, Clemson Community Care, Pickens YMCA, Pickens County Library, IDA, Urban League, YWCA, Greenville Housing Fund, Furman Community Conservation Corps, Furman Center for Sustainability, Workforce/Career Skill Programs, Greenville Collaborative for Workforce Development, Graduate Greenville, Travelers Rest and Communities in Schools. More than 750 families will lose services.

• 60 members will not tutor and mentor 600 grade 1-5 students elementary schools in Edgefield County as well as recruiting community volunteers, completing disaster preparedness training and performing community service.

• 15 members will not be engaged in sustaining and expanding efforts to address the educational needs of single mothers and their children in Clarendon County's School District 2. 163 students will lose after school and mentoring programs.

• 17 members will not be operating in three school districts serve 950 primary/elementary students, 325 middle school students, and 80 high school students.
students throughout the school year and during the summer months providing one or more components for academic enrichment. In addition, members serve approximately 200 families through a parenting/ community component though local churches.
Tennessee
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- Tennessee would lose over $13 million in total funding, including over $6.3 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 15,600 service participants in Tennessee would lose their positions, including over 800 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination

- 13,200 students would lose the opportunity to engage in community service linked to academic achievement and civic engagement through service-learning
- 545 individuals affected by disaster would lose assistance
- 285 parents at risk for child abuse would no longer have access to parenting classes
- 362 at-risk youth would not be able to participate in citizenship workshops
- 76 families would not have access to housing programs to identify and transition into safe, affordable housing
- 215 pregnant women would not be taught about healthy pregnancy
- 635 low-income preschool children would lose literacy, social and emotional skill support services
- 796 at-risk youth would not receive tutoring and would lose positive youth development programming
- 15,000 fewer volunteers would be recruited and directed to offer service in Tennessee.
- 177 youth would fail to be engaged in academic attainment activities
- 234 individuals with mental illness would not receive employment services
- 360 people would not receive wellness and recovery courses
- 437 adults would no longer participate in GED and related workshops, Health Education, Daily Living Skills, and Computer Courses.
- 700 tons of waste would not be diverted from landfills

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5 Based on program year 2009-2010 data from Volunteer Tennessee.
- 1,363 students would not participate in hands-on watershed improvement service projects
- 2,767 students would not be taught in the GO! Hikes program
- 4,990 children would not learn about clean air issues and biofuels
- 150 students at low-income schools would not be taught nutrition, science and gardening
- 6,080 students would not receive environmental education in public schools
- 11 schools and 43 neighborhood groups would not complete litter-free service projects
- 18,306 seniors and older adults would lose the help they receive to continue living independently in their own homes
- 634 seniors would not be screened and counseled for bone density and osteoporosis risk factors
- 268 seniors would lose access to fitness and nutrition classes
- Education award payments of $818,000 to primarily public universities and community colleges would be lost
Texas
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- Texas would lose over $65.5 million in total funding, including over $34 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 77,000 service participants in Texas would lose their positions, including over 3,600 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of AmeriCorps State Funding Elimination in Texas

- 10,954 volunteers will not be recruited, coordinated, or supported by AmeriCorps programs. Community volunteers would have included 1,048 college students and 1,507 baby boomers.
- 15,095 at-risk youth will not be mentored.
- 51,403 disadvantaged youth will not be served by AmeriCorps programs.
- 1,268 disadvantaged children and youth will no longer participate in positive youth development programming.
- 96 AmeriCorps members will not participate in disaster services projects.
- 256 AmeriCorps members will not be certified in disaster preparedness and response.
- 420 AmeriCorps members will not be available for deployment in support of any disaster.
- 280 children and youth of incarcerated parents will lose their support services.
- 2,977 individuals will not receive independent living services.
Utah
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- Utah would lose over $16.7 million in total funding, including $6.8 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 30,000 service participants in Utah would lose their positions, including over 1,800 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination

- 1,674 Utahans would be forced to seek alternative forms of employment.
- Utahans would lose $6 million annually in higher education funding.
- Nearly 30,000 national service participants in Utah would lose their positions, including over 1,800 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are 18-25 years old, the age group which has the highest unemployment rate.
- Eliminating national service programming would deprive Utahans of core services provided in an extremely cost efficient manner—$303 million worth of direct services to Utah at a cost to the federal government of just $16.7 million annually. A sample of some of the services that would be lost annually by eliminating national service:
  - Over 700 community agencies would lose the critical services that help keep their doors open
  - 881 individuals affected by disaster would lose assistance
  - 523 disabled individuals would be unable to participate in activities that expand physical abilities and improved self-esteem
  - 5,648 children would lose a caring adult in their life by losing their mentor
  - Over 11,000 fewer volunteers would be recruited/utilized.

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- 3,233 disadvantaged children and youth would lose positive youth development programming
- The academic performance of over 10,000 already struggling Utah youth in 124 schools across the state would decline
- Over 12,000 Utahans would no longer be educated on energy and environmental sustainability
- Approximately 15,000 youth would not be provided with safe places to play and learn during out-of-school hours
- Nearly 28,000 individuals would fail to be educated on preventative health methods and access options to health care
- Over 21,000 students would lose the opportunity to engage in community service linked to academic achievement and civic engagement
Vermont
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- Vermont would lose over $5.9 million in total funding, including over $1.8 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 3,400 service participants in Vermont would lose their positions, including 255 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination

- More than 3,400 people of all ages and backgrounds will not help to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement in Vermont.
- AmeriCorps will not provide more than 250 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities across Vermont.
- More than 2,700 seniors in Vermont will not contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs.
  - Foster Grandparents will not serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than 1,200 young people who have special needs.
  - Senior Companions will not help more than 350 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
  - RSVP volunteers will not conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 580 groups across Vermont.
- More than 380 Vermont students will not be engaged in community service linked to academic learning and the development of civic skills through Learn and Serve America.
Virginia
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- Virginia would lose over $15 million in total funding, including over $3.4 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 13,000 service participants in Virginia would lose their positions, including over 600 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination

- More than 13,000 people of all ages and backgrounds will not help to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement in Virginia.
- AmeriCorps will not provide more than 600 individuals the opportunity to provide intensive, results-driven service to meet education, environmental, health, economic and other pressing needs in communities across Virginia.
- More than 10,000 seniors in Virginia will not contribute their time and talents in one of three Senior Corps programs.
  - Foster Grandparents will not serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to more than 4,300 young people who have special needs.
  - Senior Companions will not help more than 390 homebound seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
  - RSVP volunteers will not conduct safety patrols for local police departments, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services through more than 1,300 groups across Virginia.
- More than 2,800 Virginia students will not be engaged in community service linked to academic learning and the development of civic skills through Learn and Serve America.
Washington
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- Washington would lose $48 million in total funding, including over $19.4 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 27,000 service participants in Washington would lose their positions, including over 3,000 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination for 2012

- Well over 200 Washingtonians would be forced to seek alternative forms of employment.
- Washington would possibly lose over $19 million annually in higher education funding in lost education awards spent in WA State universities, community colleges and vocational schools.
- Over 27,000 national service participants in Washington State would lose their positions, including over 3,000 AmeriCorps members.
- Eliminating national service programming would deprive Washingtonians of core services provided in an extremely cost efficient manner— $149 million (AmeriCorps and Senior Corps only) worth of direct services to Washington at a cost to the federal government of just $45 million annually. A sample of some of the services that would be lost annually by eliminating national service based on 2009-2010 AmeriCorps progress report figures:
  - 575 individuals affected by 22 local disasters would lose assistance
  - 1,418 children would lose a caring adult in their life by losing their mentor
  - 99,838 disadvantaged children and youth would not be served
  - 95 children and youth of incarcerated parents would lose support services
  - 21,238 fewer individuals would be mentored
  - Over 62,000 fewer volunteers would be recruited/utilized
• Over 1,025 clients would not receive independent living services

• 300 fewer veterans would receive referral services and assistance in transitioning to civilian life

• Over 12,032 students would not be provided tutoring or assistance in academic success

• 350 fewer clients would receive employment readiness services
West Virginia
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- West Virginia would lose over $10.4 million in total funding, including over $5 million annually that goes directly to support the Higher Education Cost of Members through the Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards.
- Over 9,400 service participants in West Virginia would lose their positions, including over 1,000 AmeriCorps members. Most of these members are in the 18-25 age group that has the highest unemployment rate. AmeriCorps is putting our young Americans to work in a much more productive way than the unemployment line.

The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination

2011 AmeriCorps in West Virginia - Twelve AmeriCorps programs located throughout the state are making a tremendous impact through their service this year:
- 7,000 youth and children are being provided mentoring, tutoring and other academic services in schools, after-school programs and summer education programs
- 2,800 children will receive healthy meals and nutrition education during the crucial summer months they are out of school
- 1,000 individuals are benefiting from hunger initiatives
- 350 individuals are receiving financial literacy training
- 100 individuals are participating in local foods initiatives
- 750 individuals are receiving emergency preparedness education and training
- 500 acres of public land are being improved
- 10 free clinics across the state are providing health services and education to working low-income and uninsured residents
- 500 individuals are receiving job skills training
- 500 teenagers are increasing their levels of civic engagement
- Nearly 1,500 volunteers are being recruited to assist with all these endeavors
- 755 members will serve in 2011
- 10 veterans of all branches of the armed services are currently serving
THE ELIMINATION OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE (CNCS) WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING IMPACT IN WISCONSIN:

- Wisconsin would lose $23,781,372 of federal community service assistance that leverages more than twice that amount in local resources to serve unmet needs in local communities.
- 137,187 pounds of healthy food would not have been available to hungry families.
- 59,000 fewer volunteers would be recruited to serve in Wisconsin communities.
- 24,380 children in need of support would lose a caring adult in their life by losing their mentor or tutor.
- 24,076 individuals would not receive financial planning.
- Over 20,000 people in Wisconsin would not be given the opportunity to participate in the national service civic engagement activities.
- 20,000 school age students would not be able to serve their communities.
- 19,044 disadvantaged children and youth would no longer participate in positive youth development programming.
- 8,273 youth would not be provided with safe places to play and learn during out-of-school hours.
- 7,400 students would lose the opportunity to engage in community service linked to academic achievement and civic engagement.
- 7,200 people with disabilities would not be able to participate in respite camp and engage in therapeutic recreation activities.
- 5,099 homeless and runaway youth would not receive placement services.
- Over 2,000 community agencies would lose the critical volunteer services that keep their doors open and leverage community support.
- 1,000 school age youth would no longer be educated on healthy nutritional choices.
- 690 homebound seniors and older adults would lose the help they receive to continue living independently in their own homes.
- 562 families would not receive services to avoid home foreclosure.
- 500 children would fail to be engaged in early childhood development programming.
- 234 children and youth of incarcerated parents would lose their support services.
- Over 120 national service projects would be eliminated in Wisconsin.
- 74 individuals affected by disasters would lose assistance.

6 Based on data from the Corporation for National & Community Service and Serve Wisconsin.
o 21 energy star certified low-income housing units would not be built.

A Brief Description of the Value of AmeriCorps*State in Wisconsin

The 1993 Wisconsin Act 437 created the Wisconsin National & Community Service Board, also known as Serve Wisconsin, to oversee AmeriCorps funding and volunteerism in Wisconsin. In 2011, the AmeriCorps*State federal assistance in Wisconsin reached its highest level at $9,589,111 and was distributed to 39 subgrantees that will enroll 1,700 AmeriCorps members who will serve in all 72 counties. These AmeriCorps members serve in over 500 placement sites through schools, nonprofits agencies, colleges, and government entities and they will provide 1,795,275 hours of service as teachers, mentors, tutors, builders of affordable housing, stewards of the environment, non-profit capacity builders, providers of respite care & therapeutic recreation, disaster responders, and recruiters and managers of volunteers. Through their participation in AmeriCorps, citizens are given the opportunity to not only enrich the lives of the people and communities they serve, but also their own lives through professional and personal development.

AmeriCorps has a local community economic value of $37,274,942 which is calculated by multiplying the aggregate total number of AmeriCorps member service hours by the 2009 Independent Sector, Inc. value of $17.79 per hour which totals $31,937,942 and adding $5,337,000 of value gained from an estimated 300,000 volunteer hours to be performed by 36,600 volunteers and $5,666,520 in federal education awards available to the AmeriCorps members. The education award can be used to pay for college or pay back qualified student loans. This federal AmeriCorps assistance is immediately infused into local economies.

The 1,700 AmeriCorps members would be looking for employment if they were not serving in AmeriCorps. The 39 AmeriCorps subgrantees in Wisconsin have staff positions specifically dedicated to support the AmeriCorps program activities and with out the federal assistance they would not be employed.
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The Impact of Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) Funding Elimination

- 862 Wyomingites would be forced to seek alternative forms of employment.
- Wyomingites would lose over $850,000 in higher education funding.
- Nearly 2,000 national service participants in Wyoming would lose their positions, including 470 AmeriCorps members.
- Eliminating national service programming would deprive Wyomingites of core services provided in an extremely cost efficient manner – ~$220 million worth of direct services to Wyoming at a cost to the federal government of just $3.7 million annually. A sample of some of the services that would be lost annually by eliminating national service:
  - 4,500 children would lose a caring adult in their life by losing their mentor/tutor
  - 276 disadvantaged and high-risk children and youth would lose positive youth development programming in areas like nutrition, character building, behavior modification, academics, and civic engagement.
  - Nearly 30,000 fewer volunteers would be recruited and directed to offer service.
  - Nearly 110,000 fewer volunteer hours would be used to provide valuable services to our communities.
  - Nearly 1,500 community agencies would lose the critical volunteer services, volunteer programming, and financial resources, that keep their doors open and the support needed to increase their capacity and sustainability, to serve their communities.
  - Nearly 30,000 students would lose the opportunity to engage in community service and service linked to academic achievement and civic engagement
  - 14 low-income housing units would not be built or repaired
  - 335 youth would not be provided with places to learn during out-of-school hours.
  - Hundreds of youth and adults, with and without disabilities, would not gain the valuable skills needed to secure their future and the Wyoming economy.
  - 600 seniors and older adults would lose the help they receive to continue living independently in their own homes or receive job-skills training.

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Based on 2010-2011 projections.
- Hundreds of community partnerships, built by AmeriCorps members, would be weakened.
- 285 parents would lose the skills and empowerment gained by learning how to choose and advocate for quality child care, therefore affecting their children.
- 58 teachers, serving 3000 students, would no longer gain skills around scientific literacy.
- Wyoming natural resources and public lands would be neglected.
- 800 victims of domestic violence in rural Wyoming would lose the support needed to rebuild their lives.
- Disaster preparedness and emergency response services offered in rural Wyoming would decrease.