




MICHIGAN FAST FACTS


 The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) is granting more than **\$20.4 million** in federal funds to local communities for Michigan's AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve – Michigan, Michigan's Senior Corps, and Volunteer Michigan programs in 2010-2011.


 This funding supports 26 State AmeriCorps programs, 45 AmeriCorps*VISTA projects, 25 Learn and Serve programs, 56 Senior Corps projects, and seven Volunteer Michigan grantees.


 In the 2009-2010 program year:

- 1,235 Michigan's AmeriCorps members served more than 600,000 hours (valued at more than \$12 million), recruited more than 24,000 volunteers (valued at more than \$3.2 million), and earned more than \$2.5 million in education awards.
- 29,181 Learn and Serve – Michigan students participated in more than 606,000 hours of service-learning activities.
- 244 AmeriCorps*VISTA members served with 48 projects at 163 service sites and earned more than \$1.1 million in education awards.
- 13,767 Michigan's Senior Corps participants served with 55 programs and contributed more than 3.5 million hours of service.



 The AmeriCorps programs are protecting the environment, building affordable housing, mentoring and tutoring children, expanding health care for the underinsured, advancing disaster preparedness, and more.

 The Learn and Serve programs are engaging teachers in service-learning, which is a way of teaching that connects meaningful community service with what students are learning in the classroom. This kind of instruction enriches learning, teaches civic responsibility, and fosters personal growth.

 Senior Corps connects Americans over the age of 55 with people and organizations that need them most through the Foster Grandparent Program, RSVP Program, and Senior Companion Program. They become mentors, coaches, or companions to people in need, or contribute their job skills and expertise to community projects and organizations.

 How can you support National Service:

- This is a crucial time for national service. The interest of individuals to serve and the need for these volunteers is at an all time high. As the FY2011 Continuing Resolution is finalized, we urge you to support the Corporation for National and Community Service and its programs, including AmeriCorps.
- The Serve America Act created a number of new volunteer initiatives and calls for the expansion of the existing national service programs. It is important that future appropriation levels support the expansion of AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve, Senior Corps, and the Volunteer Generation Fund.

