adapting their programs to encourage greater participation by individuals with disabilities.

(c) *Application procedures*. Eligible applicants must comply with the requirements specified in the Corporation's application materials.

§2524.50 What are the guidelines for assistance with disaster relief?

(a) *Purpose*. Disaster relief funds are intended to provide emergency assistance not otherwise available to enable national and community service programs to respond quickly and effectively to a Presidentially-declared disaster.

(b) Eligibility. Any AmeriCorps program (including youth corps, the National Civilian Community Corps, VISTA, and other programs authorized under the Domestic Volunteer Services Act) or grant making entity (such as a State or Federal agency) that is supported by the Corporation may apply for disaster relief grants.

(c) *Application process*. Eligible applicants must comply with the requirements specified in the Corporation's application materials.

(d) Waivers. In appropriate cases, due to the limited nature of disaster activities, the Corporation may waive specific program requirements such as matching requirements and the provision of AmeriCorps educational awards for participants supported with disaster relief funds.

PART 2525—NATIONAL SERVICE TRUST: PURPOSE AND DEFINITIONS

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§2525.10 What is the National Service Trust?

The National Service Trust is an account in the Treasury of the United States from which the Corporation makes payments of education awards, pays interest that accrues on qualified student loans for AmeriCorps participants during terms of service in approved national service positions, and 45 CFR Ch. XXV (10–1–07 Edition)

makes other payments authorized by Congress.

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§2525.20 Definitions.

In addition to the definitions in §2510.20 of this chapter, the following definitions apply to terms used in parts 2525 through 2529 of this chapter:

Approved school-to-work program. The term approved school-to-work program means a program that is involved in a federally-approved school-to-work system, as certified by a State, designated local partnership, or other entity that receives a grant under the School-to-Work Opportunities Act of 1994 (20 U.S.C. 6101 *et seq.*).

Cost of attendance. The term cost of attendance has the same meaning as in title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1070 et. seq.).

Current educational expenses. The term *current educational expenses* means the cost of attendance, or other costs attributable to an educational course offered by an institution of higher education that has in effect a program participation agreement under Title IV of the Higher Education Act, for a period of enrollment that begins after an individual enrolls in an approved national service position.

Education award. The term education award means the financial assistance available under parts 2526 and 2528 of this chapter for which an individual in an approved AmeriCorps position may be eligible.

Educational expenses at a Title IV institution of higher education. The term educational expenses means—

(1) Cost of attendance as determined by the institution; or

(2) Other costs at a title IV institution of higher education attributable to a non-title IV educational course as follows:

(i) Tuition and fees normally assessed a student for a course or program of study by the institution, including costs for rental or purchase of any books or supplies required of all students in the same course of study;

(ii) For a student engaged in a course of study by correspondence, only tuition and fees and, if required, books, and supplies;