

## **Former AmeriCorps Member Sentenced for Theft of Child Care Funds**

Following a guilty plea in U.S. District Court, Sacramento, California, Ms. Sherry Herndon, a former AmeriCorps member, was sentenced on August 22, 2002, to serve 120 days of home detention and sixty months supervised probation, to pay a \$1,000 fine, a \$25 court fee, and make restitution of \$10,006.28 to the Corporation for National and Community Service (Corporation).

Following an investigation by the Corporation's Office of Inspector General, Ms. Herndon admitted to defrauding the Corporation by falsifying her applications for child care and monthly child attendance reports, claiming child care for children no longer in her custody. Ms. Herndon also failed to disclose that she was concurrently receiving child care subsidies from the state of California, thereby receiving even more in Federal child care subsidies than she was entitled. Ms. Herndon obtained \$10,006.28 in child care subsidies to which she was not entitled.