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SPOTLIGHT

National Conference on Volunteering and Service: June 1-3, 2008



Co-sponsored by Points of Light & Hands On Network, and the Corporation for National and Community Service, this extraordinary conference is the nation's largest gathering of service and volunteering leaders. More than 4,000 participants are expected in Atlanta from the fields of national service, community volunteering, education, and business and civic leadership.

Inspired by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the conference theme – The Urgency of Now – is a call to action for a new generation of civic leaders to unleash the power of citizens to make a better world. More than 175 workshops and forums will be presented on a wide variety of topics, including:

- Special tracks for managers and sponsors of Senior Corps and AmeriCorps programs
- Immersion learning sessions at inspirational venues like the King Center, Ebenezer Baptist Church, and the Carter Center
- CEO roundtable featuring top business leaders

RESOURCES

The Power of Connecting with Your National Service Network

Increase your program's impact by being part of the national service network — organize collaborative projects or advocacy efforts, share information, read about others' achievements, and meet in person at conferences.



Use the following resources to create a caring community through local and national partnerships.

Lending Library

[Nimble Collaboration: Fine-Tuning Your Collaboration for Lasting Success](#)

[Building Communities from the Inside Out: A Path Toward Finding and Mobilizing a Community's Assets](#)

[Collaboration Handbook: Creating, Sustaining, and Enjoying the Journey](#)

[Common Interest, Common Good: Creating Value Through Business and Social Sector Partnerships](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senior Corps Performance Measurement Self-Assessments

Are you unsure if you're up to date on performance measurement? Project STAR has added three new self-assessments on data collection, analysis, and reporting in a new audio-visual format! Each of these short, fun self-assessments has 10 to 20 questions and takes about 15 minutes to complete. An answer key is provided with links to resources that will help you master the material. Visit nationalserviceresources.org/resources/online_pubs/perf_meas/sc_pm_selfassessment.php.



AmeriCorps Performance Measurement Tutorials

Watch these five new 15-minute tutorials and learn how to develop and implement performance measurement:



- CNCS Approach to Performance Measurement
- Performance Measurement Requirements
- The Logic Model and Aligned Measures
- Completing Performance Measures in a Worksheet
- Example for Completing Performance Measures in

discussing corporate social responsibility

- Session designed for young social entrepreneurs

Featured speakers include John Lewis, civil rights leader and U. S. Congressman; Neil Bush, Chairman and CEO of Ignite! Learning; Sam Nunn, former Senator and current chairman and CEO of the Nuclear Threat Initiative; Shirley Franklin, Mayor of Atlanta; and Stephen Goldsmith, former Indianapolis Mayor and board chair of the Corporation for National and Community Service. Register at www.volunteeringandservice.org.

Effective Practices Collection

[Working effectively with multiple sites](#)

[Partnering with other service organizations](#)

Online Resources

[E-course: Levering Partnerships for Community Impact](#)

[E-mail Discussion Lists](#)

a Worksheet

The link below provides an opportunity to download the companion material, including practice exercises and tips, to read at your leisure.



Visit nationalserviceresources.org/resources/online_pubs/perf_meas/ac_pm_tutorials.php.

New Look for Resource Center!



Starting in June, you'll have better ways to find the resources you need, and more opportunities to connect with your community.

Online Learning Center

Online Courses

Free e-courses on a wide variety of topics are designed specifically to help strengthen national service programs.

Featured course: [State Commissions and Faith-Based and Community Organizations](#).

Put volunteers in the middle of the community for measurable impact. Created cooperatively by the Corporation for National and Community Service, Hands On Network, and ETR Associates.

Featured Resource

[Effective Practices Collection at 800!](#)

Q: What do wise service program managers do to help their projects grow and thrive?
A: They leverage the experience and studied findings of the Effective Practices Collection — often!

Get a head start on your planning with improved Service Events pages. Gain insight from your peers via the national service e-mail discussion lists and program highlights included in the Collection.

ABOUT THE RESOURCE CENTER

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