



AMERICORPS NCCC

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The state of Arizona is supported by the AmeriCorps NCCC Southwest Region campus. Located in the Loretto Heights neighborhood of Denver, the Southwest Region campus houses approximately 320members and team leaders each year and serves the states of Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas.

AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) is a full-time, team-based residential program for men and women ages 18-24. NCCC members, assigned to one of five regional campuses, are organized into teams of approximately ten members and serve in local communities in every state responding to needs that are identified by community-based organizations. Approximately 1200 members serve in NCCC each year.

Teams serve with local and national organizations, providing an infusion of resources and leading volunteers for Habitat for Humanity, the American Red Cross, and hundreds of other organizations. These dedicated and energetic young adults lead youth development activities, construct and rehabilitate low-income housing, clean up streams, help communities develop emergency plans, and address other pressing local needs. A flexible program structure allows for partnership with organization that might lack the capacity to manage grant programs and for strategic collaboration with other national service programs to magnify the impact on the communities served.

As the federal government's direct national service wing, NCCC's structure allows for rapid deployment of teams in emergencies. Trained in CPR, first aid, disaster response and firefighting, NCCC teams have responded to local and national disasters since the program was established in 1994. Since 2000, NCCC members have served more than 4.7 million hours on over 1,760 disaster services projects.

SELECTED HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ARIZONA SINCE 2000

- ★ 316,657 service hours completed
- ★ Service valued estimated at \$6.7 million
- ★ 1,587 students supported in an out of school program
- ★ 3,066 students tutored
- ★ 955 houses protected from natural disaster
- ★ 5,295 feet of erosion controlling walls built or repaired
- ★ 1,238 volunteers recruited or coordinated

SAMPLE PROJECT SPONSORS

- ★ Grand Canyon Trust, Flagstaff
- ★ Arizona State Parks, Payson
- ★ Crown King Fire District, Crown King
- ★ United Way of Southern Arizona, Tucson
- * Navajo Health Foundation, Ganado
- ★ Southwest Conservation Corps, Tucson
- ★ City of Casa Grande, Casa Grande
- ★ Southside Community School, Tucson
- ★ Internal Revenue Service, Phoenix
- * Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona, Phoenix
- * National Area Monuments, Flagstaff

"The AmeriCorps NCCC teams have been instrumental in helping to reduce the fuel loading from around the community, increasing the chances of survival from a major catastrophic event. In fact, I believe the only thing keeping a recent fire from completely devastating the community of Crown King was the fuel reduction work of AmeriCorps NCCC. This past year the fire team responded to several fires during the height of fire season, mitigating major threats to the community. They were instrumental in the Fire District's public education programs designed to help citizens participate in fuel reduction on their properties and were directly responsible for many properties being treated by home owners and significantly more homes were protected than could have been by department personnel alone. In 2008, the team with us played a vital role in the evacuation of town, setting up of sprinkler systems to help protect our infrastructure, and fighting the Lane Two Fire which burned to the edge of town. Due to their actions, residents and visitors were able to leave safely and fire fighters were able to direct efforts at protecting the town"

~Steven Lombardo Crown King Fire District, Crown King, AZ

