

September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance 10th Anniversary Challenge

The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) recognized the 10th Anniversary of 9/11 by issuing a challenge to organizations to bring Americans together in the same spirit of compassion, unity, and service as so many did after the attacks. The Corporation challenged organizations to effectively engage individuals in service to their communities during the National Day of Service and Remembrance. Service activities honored those who died and those who rose in service because of the tragedies of 9/11, and included a time of reflection and remembrance. Projects were implemented on or near September 11, 2011 and linked to the observance of the September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance.

Eligible organizations submitted a Concept Paper that detailed their plans for the September 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance including how they would challenge their community to join them in service on 9/11/2011. Based upon the number of volunteers engaged by applicants during their 2011 events, and verified by CNCS, selected organizations received awards to be used to promote and implement greater levels of engagement in future September 11 National Days of Service and Remembrance (2012 – 2014). The Corporation awarded a total of \$500,000 through 14 awards ranging from \$10,000 to \$100,000 to organizations that achieved the highest level of verified volunteer engagement within established competitive pools.

All compliant submissions' executive summaries as well as all grant recipients can be viewed at <http://sept11day.challenge.gov/>