

## **Teen and Campus CERT Members: FEMA Corps is Currently Accepting Applications for Summer 2016!**

**The application deadline is April 1st, 2016, at 11:59 PM Eastern Time. To apply, visit: [my.americorps.gov](http://my.americorps.gov).  
(The Team Leader application deadline is March 1st)**

Teen and Campus CERT participants train, exercise, and support their communities to help make our nation more resilient. As many Teen CERT participants throughout the nation complete their final year in high school, one option they may want to consider after graduation is FEMA Corps, which can be an opportunity for them to take the next step in making America a stronger, safer, and more prepared nation. FEMA Corps can also be an enriching and practical educational opportunity that may benefit Campus CERT participants in their career search (particularly in the emergency management field) after graduation. By providing training, experience, and educational opportunities, FEMA Corps can prepare thousands of young people for careers in emergency management and related fields.

### **About FEMA Corps**

The Department of Homeland Security's [Federal Emergency Management Agency](#) (FEMA) and the [Corporation for National and Community Service](#) (CNCS) launched an innovative partnership in 2012 to establish a FEMA-devoted unit of up to 1,600 members within AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps. (NCCC) These national service members are solely devoted to FEMA's efforts in disaster preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation.



This partnership builds on the historic collaboration between the two agencies and will enhance the federal government's disaster capabilities, increase the reliability and diversity of the disaster workforce, promote an ethic of service, expand education and economic opportunity for young people, and contribute to cost savings efforts for the American taxpayer.

### **Becoming a FEMA Corps Member**

FEMA Corps members serve full-time for a 10-month term with an option to extend for a second year. Members serve in teams of eight to 12 and are assigned to projects throughout the region served by their campus. Members are based at one of the NCCC regional campuses and travel to complete service projects throughout the U.S. states and territories.



To be considered for FEMA Corps, you must first apply to [AmeriCorps NCCC](#). The program is open to all U.S. citizens between 18 and 24 years old; team leaders may be 18 years old and up. Members are given a living allowance of approximately \$4,000 for 10 months of service; housing; meals; limited medical benefits; up to \$400 a month for [childcare](#), if necessary; member uniforms; and become eligible for the [Segal AmeriCorps Education Award](#) upon successful completion of the program.

### **Learn more about FEMA Corps**

- [Hundreds of National Service Members on the Ground in Hurricane Sandy Recovery Efforts](#)
- [FEMA Corps – AmeriCorps in Action press release](#)
- [AmeriCorps NCCC Fact Sheet](#)

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