

AmeriCorps in Connecticut 2011-2012



AmeriCorps consists of three main programs: AmeriCorps State and National, AmeriCorps Vista, and AmeriCorps NCCC, offering opportunities for adults of all ages and backgrounds to serve through a network of partnerships with local and national nonprofits.

AmeriCorps*State Programs



Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to the Governor-appointed Connecticut Commission on Community Service, which in turn awards grants to nonprofits to respond to local needs.

Community Central AmeriCorps

Central Connecticut State University

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Serving New Britain schools – Part-time members lead mentoring groups at elementary schools working with 1st through 5th grade students. Members provide onsite tutoring services for students identified by school officials as at-risk. Members receive professional development and project related training helping to keep kids in school.

Experience Corps

Agency on Aging South Central Connecticut

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Serving Hamden/New Haven area – Part-time older adult (55+) members tutor in Hamden elementary schools and promote reading by giving away children's books at community events. Members bring a wealth of life experience and a love of reading to their work with children.

Green Crew

Knox Parks Foundation

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Serving Hartford – Full-time and part-time members work with residents, businesses, and government to restore blighted properties. Members receive commercial lawn maintenance and graffiti abatement equipment training, and participate in community events.

LEAP AmeriCorps

Leadership, Education and Athletics in Partnership
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Serving New Haven area – Part-time and summer members work as coaches and counselors in after-school and summer programs with children and youth. Members receive training and support in the areas of professional development, career and college preparation and civic engagement.

MYO AmeriCorps

Regional Youth/Adult Social Action Partnership
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Serving Bridgeport area – Full-time and part-time members address teen dating violence through in-school programming in K-8 schools. Members recruit community volunteers to serve in three annual service projects.

Teach for America – Connecticut

Teach for America
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Serving Bridgeport, Hartford, New Haven, Stamford – Full-time members address the achievement gap existing between low-income students and their high-income peers. TFA is a professional corps providing teachers in low income schools.

Waterbury AmeriCorps

Naugatuck Valley Community College
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Serving Waterbury – Full-time members serve as mentors for at-risk middle school students in the Waterbury Public Schools and create and implement community service projects in the area. Members will be trained at Naugatuck Valley Community College in the areas of mentoring and tutoring.

Youth Health Service Corps

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Serving Waterbury, Hartford, Bridgeport, Willimantic – Full-time members engage students performing below their ability through service learning projects and support services. Members increase their educational and professional abilities.

AmeriCorps*National Direct Programs



Most of the remainder of the grant funding is distributed by the Corporation for National and Community Service directly to multi-state and national organizations through a competitive grants process.

American Red Cross of Greenwich
Greenwich

Boys & Girls Club of America
Southport

Habitat for Humanity International
Bridgeport, New London

Jumpstart for Young Children
Storrs

National Association of Community Health Centers
Middletown, Newington

Notre Dame Mission Volunteers Program
Hartford

Public Allies Connecticut
Bridgeport

Share Our Strength, Cooking Matters
Wallingford

Student Conservation Association
Hartford

Teacher's College – Columbia University
Hartford

Student Leaders in Service
Middletown, Willimantic

Up2US - Coach Across America
Hartford

AmeriCorps*NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) Programs



*AmeriCorps*NCCC programs are a 10-month, full-time residential program for men and women between the ages of 18 and 24. Members are assigned to one of five campuses, located in Denver, Colorado; Sacramento, California; Perry Point, Maryland; Vicksburg, Mississippi; and Vinton, Iowa.*

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AmeriCorps*NCCC strengthens communities and develops leaders through direct, team-based national and community service. In partnership with non-profits—secular and faith based, local municipalities, state governments, federal government, national or state parks, Indian Tribes and schools members complete service projects throughout the region they are assigned.

AmeriCorps*VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) Programs



*AmeriCorps*VISTA members help bring individuals and communities out of poverty by serving full-time to fight illiteracy, improve health services, create businesses and increase housing opportunities.*

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AmeriCorps*VISTA members leverage human, financial, and material resources to increase the capacity of thousands of low-income areas across the country to address challenges and improve their lives and communities. They leave behind lasting solutions to some of our country's toughest problems.



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