

SAVE SERVICE *in* AMERICA

Save Service in Ohio

Now more than ever, our communities need national service. Don't cut funding for the Corporation for National and Community Service.

In Ohio, more than **56,000** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and increase civic engagement through national service. Serving through **1,830** nonprofits, schools, public agencies or faith-based groups across the state—including Greater Cleveland Volunteers, Public Allies and YouthBuild—these citizens tutor and mentor at-risk youth, assist veterans and military families, provide health services, restore the environment, respond to disasters, build homes, and recruit and manage volunteers. In 2010 - 2011, the Corporation for National and Community Service committed nearly **\$30,600,000** to support Ohio organizations that create jobs, provide essential services, and have found cost-effective, citizen-driven solutions to some of Ohio's greatest challenges.

About the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)

CNCS is the nation's largest grantmaker for service and volunteering. Over 70,000 national and local non-profit organizations rely on CNCS funding and 5 million Americans serve their communities through CNCS's Senior Corps, AmeriCorps, Learn and Serve America, the Volunteer Generation Fund and the Social Innovation Fund.

Service makes a difference in:

Care for Vulnerable Populations

- AmeriCorps members, serving with Rebuilding Together Capacity Corps, provide over 700 Ohio families with critical home modifications and rehabilitation, and nearly 300 homes with energy efficiency and safety upgrades.
- Ohio Senior Corps members provided critical assistance to more than 16,600 frail seniors last year, allowing these seniors to remain in their homes and saving taxpayers millions of dollars in premature institutionalization costs.

Education

- Ohio Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) and Foster Grandparents served over 800 elementary aged children with special reading needs during the 2009-2010 school year. As a result, students increased their one-on-one reading time and library time, and 384 children improved their reading skills to the appropriate grade level.
- City Year AmeriCorps members in Cleveland and Columbus annually provide over 1,100 at-risk students with intensive academic, behavioral and attendance support. Through school-wide attendance and service-learning initiatives, Corps members help to improve the school climate for 5,500 students.

Economic Recovery

- The national service Social Innovation Fund award will be used to establish a new Financial Opportunity Center (FOC) at Cincinnati Works' offices to provide low-income clients with financial counseling and job coaching services that will lead to financial stability. In the first year of operation, the program aims to help 350 clients obtain and retain employment.
- The Segal AmeriCorps Education Award makes college affordable for thousands of students and their families. Since 1994, more than **24,000** Ohio residents have served more than **37 million** hours and have qualified for Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards totaling more than **\$67,100,000**.

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