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## FEE-FOR-SERVICE TRAINING

Meeting the needs of our AmeriCorps programs and members is our first priority, but when applicable, and depending on topic content, trainings will be offered in a fee-for-service format to a wider audience such as community-based and faith-based nonprofit agencies/organizations. The Commission implemented an informal fee-for-service program in 2009 by opening a few training events to persons outside of national service if space was available in training sessions offered. The online training calendar information was the only place this opportunity was publicized and few individuals outside of national service registered.

ServeNebraska wants to put more emphasis on engaging the public in trainings in an effort to broaden our network and offer individuals from outside organizations high quality and relevant training and professional development opportunities in a cost-effective way.

With the change in methodologies and formats in the Training Plan redesign, more emphasis can be placed on offering distance learning opportunities to the public for a small fee. This initiative fits well with the new partnerships that are creating the new look and website for the commission's online resource library – Let's Build Nebraska – Resources for Great Nonprofits. Building a stronger, responsive and more visible fee-for-service training initiative, the commission will find new sustainable financial resources to add to the match required for the federal administrative grant.