

We are requesting proposals for team-based, community service projects typically lasting 3-8 weeks that focus on at least one of our five main program areas- disaster services, education, environment, public safety, and unmet needs.



<u>Available Project Dates</u>	<u>Concept Form Due</u>	<u>Application Due</u>
Rd 1: Nov. 16-Dec. 15	Jul. 10, 2009	Jul. 24, 2009
Rd 2: Jan. 11-Feb. 26	Oct. 9, 2009	Oct. 23, 2009
Rd 3: Mar. 4-Apr. 23	Dec. 2, 2009	Dec. 16, 2009
Rd 4: Apr. 29-Jun. 11	Feb. 5, 2010	Feb. 19, 2010
Rd 5: Jun. 17-Jul. 27	Apr. 16, 2010	Apr. 30, 2010

New sponsors must complete a Concept Form. Upon review, they will be invited to submit a full application or contacted for more information.



For more information or to request an application, please contact the appropriate Assistant Program Director below:

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*Mission: To strengthen communities and develop leaders through team based national and community service.*

# AmeriCorps NCCC



## North Central Region



## What is AmeriCorps NCCC and How Can We Help?

AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) is a federal team based national service program for men and women between the ages of 18 and 24. Serving a fulltime, ten-month term, members work on projects to meet community needs in five main program areas: disaster services, education, environment, public safety, and unmet needs.

The North Central Region is requesting proposals for community service projects. Those eligible to apply are non-profit organizations, government entities (federal, state, or local), educational institutions, community-based organizations, neighborhood associations, Native American Tribal Councils, and Faith-Based organizations.

## Corps Members are men and women who are:

- Recruited nationally and are from different social, cultural, socioeconomic, and educational backgrounds. Over 30% are college graduates, 30% with some college background, 30% with high school diplomas and a small percentage that are working towards their General Equivalency Diploma (GED).
- Assigned to a team of 10-11 members who are supervised by a Team Leader and overseen by a Unit Leader responsible for a total of seven teams.
- Provided one 15 passenger van per team with fuel covered by AmeriCorps NCCC.
- Trained in CPR, first aid, leadership, team building, service learning, disaster response, and much more!
- Insured by the Federal Tort Claims Act & Federal Employees' Coverage Act.

## Criteria for Good Projects:

Projects Must...

- Address compelling community needs.
- Have clearly stated and well-planned tasks which ensure timely availability of materials, tools, technical expertise, and sponsor support.
- Provide opportunities for members' growth and development that includes orientation and training.
- Involve the community throughout the project including local volunteer support.
- Have a plan for sustainability after AmeriCorps NCCC members complete their work.

## Examples of What Teams Can Do:

- Work in schools tutoring children.
- Create nature trails and make park improvements.
- Help develop and implement Homeland Security initiatives.
- Help build and refurbish homes for low-income citizens.
- Support after-school programs and other activities for youth.
- Provide immediate assistance with national disaster relief/recovery.
- AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!!



## Community Sponsor Provides:

- Meals\*
- Lodging (if further than an hour from Vinton, IA)\*\*
- Schedule of work
- Project supplies and materials
- Technical support and direction

## NCCC Provides:

- Meals\*
- Lodging (if less than an hour from Vinton, IA)\*\*
- Transportation
- Basic Personal Protective Equipment



\*For cities more than an hour from NCCC's Vinton, IA campus, access to a kitchen is required if meals are not provided. The team will purchase and cook their own food.

\*\*Lodging may be basic, e.g. local camps, churches, park cabins, vacant school facilities, youth hostels, YMCA/YWCA facilities, vacant apartments in public housing facilities, college campuses, military facilities, state and local park facilities, etc.

\*\*\*\*\*There is no direct fee for service.\*\*\*\*\*