#### National Service in Montana **2021 YEAR IN REVIEW**











#### Montana by the Numbers





Service Locations



Total Investment

#### **Meeting Needs in Montana**

Last year more than 3,700 Americans of all ages and backgrounds united to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and expand opportunity through national service in Montana. AmeriCorps invested more than \$11.2 million in federal funding to support cost-effective community solutions, working hand in hand with local partners to empower individuals to help communities tackle their toughest challenges.

AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers are preparing today's students for tomorrow's jobs, helping communities and families impacted by COVID-19, connecting veterans to services, fighting the opioid epidemic, helping seniors live independently, rebuilding communities after disasters, and leading conservation and climate change efforts.

AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers served at more than 500 locations across Montana, including schools, food banks, homeless shelters, health clinics, youth centers, veterans' facilities, and other nonprofit and faithbased organizations. Through a unique public-private partnership, AmeriCorps and its partners generated more than \$1.5 million in outside resources from businesses, foundations, public agencies, and other sources in Montana last year. This local support strengthened community impact and increased the return on taxpayer dollars.

#### What is AmeriCorps?

AmeriCorps is the federal agency for national service and volunteerism. AmeriCorps provides opportunities for Americans of all backgrounds to serve their country, address the nation's most pressing challenges, improve lives and communities, and strengthen civic engagement.



#### in America

More than 250,000 AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers serve each year, empowering millions more to meet needs in their communities. By bringing people together to serve communities, AmeriCorps is making service to others an indispensable part of the American experience.

### Segal AmeriCorps Education Award

After successful completion of service, AmeriCorps members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award to pay for qualified educational costs. Since 1994, more than 10,000 Montana residents have served approximately 11 million hours and earned education awards totaling more than \$26.4 million. Higher education institutions and other organizations in Montana have received more than \$17.8 million in education award payments since 1994.



#### **Our Programs and Initiatives**

AmeriCorps State and National awards grants to organizations to engage individuals in sustained service to address local, regional, and national challenges. Thousands of opportunities exist in locations across the country to serve with nonprofits, schools, public agencies, tribes, and community and faith-based groups. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to Governor's Office of Community Service, the Governor-appointed State Service Commission, which in turn awards grants to organizations to respond to local needs.

AmeriCorps VISTA places individuals with nonprofit organizations, public agencies, and tribal governments to expand reach and deepen impact in making sustainable change that alleviates the impact of poverty. Through fundraising, volunteer recruitment, program development, and more, AmeriCorps members gain experience and leadership skills that put them on track for a life of service in the public, private, or nonprofit sector.

AmeriCorps NCCC is a full-time, team-based, residential program for 18-26-year-olds. Whether building homes for families in need or accelerating our nation's capacity to respond to a crisis, AmeriCorps NCCC members engage in a variety of community identified projects during their service term, while developing leadership, teamwork, and professional skills. AmeriCorps NCCC FEMA Corps serves communities, in coordination with FEMA, through disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.

AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparents provides grants to organizations to engage low-income Americans aged 55 and older in providing one-on-one mentoring and academic support to children with special or exceptional needs. In 2020, Foster Grandparents in Montana served more than 1,480 young people with special needs.

AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companions provides grants to organizations to engage low-income Americans aged 55 and older in providing supportive, individualized services to help homebound seniors and other adults maintain their dignity and independence. In 2020, Seniors Companions in Montana provided independent living support to more than 610 individuals.

AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP provides grants to organizations to engage Americans aged 55 and older in tutoring and mentoring youth, responding to natural disasters, supporting veterans and their families, and meeting other critical needs.

Volunteer Generation Fund supports voluntary organizations and state service commissions in boosting the impact of volunteers in addressing critical community needs.

MLK Day of Service is observed each year on the third Monday in January. It is the only federal holiday designated as a national day of service to encourage all Americans to volunteer to deepen ties to communities, expand racial equity, and solidify service to others as a national commitment.

9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance calls Americans across the country to volunteer in their local communities in tribute to the individuals lost and injured in the attacks, first responders, and the many who have risen in service to defend freedom since Sept. 11, 2001.

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#### **Program Funding**

|                                                                       | Projects      | Service Locations        | <b>Completed Participants</b>     | <b>Education Awards</b> | Federal Funding                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| AmeriCorps National                                                   | 6             | 22                       | 32                                | \$182,147               | \$363,313                      |
| AmeriCorps NCCC                                                       | 12            | 12                       | 87                                | -                       | -                              |
| AmeriCorps State                                                      | 5             | 90                       | 464                               | \$1,618,431             | \$3,353,855                    |
| AmeriCorps VISTA                                                      | 6             | 67                       | 96                                | \$496,075               | \$1,394,349                    |
| AmeriCorps Programs Subtotal                                          | 29            | 191                      | 679                               | \$2,296,653             | \$5,111,517                    |
|                                                                       |               |                          |                                   |                         |                                |
|                                                                       | Projects      | <b>Service Locations</b> | <b>Completed Participants</b>     | <b>Education Awards</b> | Federal Funding                |
| AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program                         | Projects<br>4 | Service Locations<br>89  | <b>Completed Participants</b> 176 | Education Awards        | Federal Funding<br>\$1,027,926 |
| AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP | •             |                          |                                   | Education Awards -      |                                |
| ·                                                                     | 4             | 89                       | 176                               | Education Awards        | \$1,027,926                    |
| AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP                                               | 4<br>8        | 89<br>188                | 176<br>2,741                      | Education Awards        | \$1,027,926<br>\$1,050,652     |

#### **Other Funding**

|                                                  | Projects | Service Locations | <b>Completed Participants</b> | <b>Education Awards</b> | Federal Funding |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| State Commission Investment Funds                | 1        | -                 | -                             | -                       | \$190,725       |
| State Commission Operations Support              | 1        | -                 | -                             | -                       | \$545,000       |
| VISTA Recruitment Support                        | 1        | -                 | -                             | -                       | \$20,000        |
| Subtotal                                         | 3        |                   | -                             |                         | \$755,725       |
| Total Program Funding                            |          |                   |                               |                         | \$8,985,930     |
| Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education Awa | ards     |                   |                               |                         | \$11,282,583    |
| Total Local Project Support (Non-AmeriCorps Reso | ources)  |                   |                               |                         | \$1,509,231     |
| Total AmeriCorps Funding + Total Local Project   | Support  |                   |                               |                         | \$12,791,814    |

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### **Program Funding**

| City        | Project Name<br>Sponsor Organization                                                                             | Program Type        | Service<br>Locations | Completed Participants | Education<br>Awards | Federal Funding | Current<br>Participants |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Belgrade    | Gallatin Valley, HFH of<br>Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.                                              | AmeriCorps National | 1                    | 1                      | \$6,195             | \$15,479        | -                       |
| Belgrade    | Home construction (April 12 - May 20, 2021)<br>Habitat for Humanity of Gallatin Valley                           | AmeriCorps NCCC     | 1                    | 7                      | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Billings    | Billings Metro VISTA Project<br>Billings Metro VISTA Project                                                     | AmeriCorps VISTA    | -                    | -                      | -                   | -               | 7                       |
| Billings    | City of Billings - Community Development<br>Billings Metro VISTA Project                                         | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 10                   | 17                     | \$105,315           | \$298,707       | -                       |
| Billings    | Montana<br>Jesuit Volunteer Corps Northwest                                                                      | AmeriCorps National | 9                    | 16                     | \$99,120            | \$175,200       | 14                      |
| Billings    | Tax prep support (March 3 - April 22, 2021)<br>Human Resource Development Council - District<br>7                | AmeriCorps NCCC     | 1                    | 6                      | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Bozeman     | Big Sky Watershed Corps Montana<br>Montana Conservation Corps, Inc.                                              | AmeriCorps State    | 28                   | 34                     | \$204,435           | \$468,600       | 40                      |
| Bozeman     | CL Environmental Stewards<br>Corps Network, The                                                                  | AmeriCorps National | 1                    | 1                      | \$1,679             | \$212           | -                       |
| Bozeman     | Montana Conservation Corps, Inc.<br>Montana Conservation Corps, Inc.                                             | AmeriCorps State    | 31                   | 364                    | \$1,051,662         | \$1,990,363     | -                       |
| Butte       | FoodCorps MT<br>FoodCorps, Inc.                                                                                  | AmeriCorps National | 8                    | 9                      | \$55,755            | \$138,600       | -                       |
| Crow Agency | CL Environmental Stewards<br>Corps Network, The                                                                  | AmeriCorps National | 1                    | 1                      | \$1,639             | \$212           | -                       |
| Great Falls | Conservation Legacy Stewards VISTA Program Conservation Legacy                                                   | AmeriCorps VISTA    | -                    | -                      | -                   | -               | 1                       |
| Great Falls | Rural Dynamics Inc.<br>Rural Dynamics, Inc.                                                                      | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 13                   | 16                     | \$95,418            | \$265,605       | 11                      |
| Helena      | Affordable home construction and food distribution (January 14 - April 7, 2021) Helena Area Habitat for Humanity | AmeriCorps NCCC     | 1                    | 6                      | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Helena      | East side State Park environmental support (April 7 - June 30, 2021) Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks           | AmeriCorps NCCC     | 1                    | 7                      | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Helena      | Economic Development Outreach Economic Development Administration                                                | AmeriCorps VISTA    | 1                    | 1                      | \$6,195             | \$17,571        | -                       |
| Helena      | Helena Area HFH<br>Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.                                                      | AmeriCorps National | 1                    | 2                      | \$12,390            | \$30,958        | -                       |
| Helena      | Home construction and food distribution (April 12 - June 12, 2021)<br>Helena Area Habitat for Humanity           | AmeriCorps NCCC     | 1                    | 9                      | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Helena      | Justice for Montanans<br>Montana Legal Services Association                                                      | AmeriCorps State    | 13                   | 25                     | \$148,211           | \$361,296       | 14                      |
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| Helena            | Montana Community VISTA Partnership- MT<br>DPHHS<br>Prevention Resource Center - MT DPHHS                                | AmeriCorps VISTA                                    | 11                   | 11                     | \$69,795            | \$193,347       | 15                      |
| Helena            | Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks<br>Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Montana Department of                                      | AmeriCorps State                                    | 14                   | 20                     | \$123,900           | \$307,666       | 16                      |
| Helena            | Prevention Resource Center<br>Prevention Resource Center - MT DPHHS                                                      | AmeriCorps VISTA                                    | 7                    | 7                      | \$43,515            | \$123,003       | -                       |
| Helena            | Supporting build sites for family homes (October 29 - December 20, 2021)<br>Helena Area Habitat for Humanity             | AmeriCorps NCCC                                     | 1                    | 10                     | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Kalispell         | Home construction and food distribution (March 3 - May 23, 2021) Habitat for Humanity of the Flathead Valley             | AmeriCorps NCCC                                     | 1                    | 6                      | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Kalispell         | Nourishing communites with healthy food<br>(October 29 - December 20, 2021)<br>Flathead Food Bank                        | AmeriCorps NCCC                                     | 1                    | 10                     | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Livingston        | Support Pandemic Recovery in Park County<br>(May 21 - June 29, 2021)<br>Farm to School of Park County                    | AmeriCorps NCCC                                     | 1                    | 7                      | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Missoula          | MTCC VISTA<br>University of Montana                                                                                      | AmeriCorps VISTA                                    | 25                   | 44                     | \$175,837           | \$496,116       | 13                      |
| Red Lodge         | Community beautification projects and home construction (December 2 - March 2, 2021) Red Lodge Area Community Foundation | AmeriCorps NCCC                                     | 1                    | 5                      | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Red Lodge         | Community support with pandemic recovery (March 3 - May 23, 2021) Red Lodge Area Community Foundation                    | AmeriCorps NCCC                                     | 1                    | 6                      | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Red Lodge         | Constructing affordable homes (October 29 -<br>November 20, 2021)<br>Red Lodge Area Community Foundation                 | AmeriCorps NCCC                                     | 1                    | 8                      | -                   | -               | -                       |
| Sidney            | Richland County Health Department AmeriCorps Richland County Health Department                                           | AmeriCorps State                                    | 4                    | 21                     | \$90,224            | \$225,930       | 9                       |
| Starr School      | CL Environmental Stewards<br>Corps Network, The                                                                          | AmeriCorps National                                 | -                    | -                      | -                   | -               | 1                       |
| West Glacier      | SATA Stewards 2020<br>Conservation Legacy                                                                                | AmeriCorps National                                 | 1                    | 2                      | \$5,369             | \$2,652         | -                       |
| West Glacier      | SATA Stewards 2021<br>Conservation Legacy                                                                                | AmeriCorps National                                 | -                    | -                      | -                   | -               | 1                       |
| AmeriCorps Progra | ms Subtotal                                                                                                              |                                                     | 191                  | 679                    | \$2,296,653         | \$5,111,517     | 142                     |
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| Billings          | St. Vincent Healthcare Foundation Foster<br>Grandparent Program<br>St. Vincent Healthcare Foundation, Inc.               | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>Foster Grandparent<br>Program | 25                   | 40                     | -                   | \$284,081       | 38                      |
| Bozeman           | RSVP of Southwest Montana 09<br>HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT<br>COUNCIL INC                                                | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>RSVP                          | 37                   | 364                    | -                   | \$208,539       | 364                     |

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| Butte         | Butte School No. 1 - RSVP<br>Butte School District #1                            | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>RSVP                               | 18                   | 486                    | -                   | \$183,386       | -                       |
| Camp Three    | South Central Montana RSVP<br>Area II Agency on Aging                            | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>RSVP                               | 30                   | 333                    | -                   | \$77,255        | -                       |
| Glendive      | Action For Eastern Montana<br>Action For Eastern Montana                         | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>Senior<br>Demonstration<br>Program | 4                    | 24                     | -                   | \$237,000       | -                       |
| Glendive      | Eastern Montana SCP<br>Action For Eastern Montana                                | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>Senior Companion<br>Program        | 16                   | 42                     | -                   | \$256,869       | 41                      |
| Great Falls   | Cascade County FGP Cascade County Commissioners                                  | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>Foster Grandparent<br>Program      | 22                   | 36                     | -                   | \$200,951       | 36                      |
| Great Falls   | United Way of Cascade County<br>United Way of Cascade County                     | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>RSVP                               | 37                   | 578                    | -                   | \$113,128       | 578                     |
| Helena        | AmeriCorps Seniors FGP (RMDC Helena)<br>Rocky Mountain Development Council, Inc. | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>Foster Grandparent<br>Program      | 24                   | 60                     | -                   | \$392,345       | 60                      |
| Helena        | AmeriCorps Seniors SCP/Rocky Mtn Dc<br>Rocky Mountain Development Council, Inc.  | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>Senior Companion<br>Program        | -                    | -                      | -                   | -               | 61                      |
| Helena        | Helena SCP<br>Rocky Mountain Development Council, Inc.                           | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>Senior Companion<br>Program        | 15                   | 60                     | -                   | \$397,733       | -                       |
| Helena        | Tri-County RSVP<br>Rocky Mountain Development Council, Inc.                      | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>RSVP                               | 5                    | 70                     | -                   | \$53,913        | 70                      |
| Miles City    | Miles City RSVP<br>City of Miles City                                            | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>RSVP                               | 18                   | 150                    | -                   | \$91,412        | 184                     |
| Missoula      | Missoula FGP<br>Missoula Aging Services, Inc.                                    | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>Foster Grandparent<br>Program      | 18                   | 40                     | -                   | \$150,549       | 31                      |
| Missoula      | RSVP of Missoula<br>Missoula Aging Services, Inc.                                | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>RSVP                               | -                    | -                      | -                   | -               | 367                     |
| Missoula      | RSVP of Missoula County<br>Missoula Aging Services, Inc.                         | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>RSVP                               | 33                   | 374                    | -                   | \$87,197        | -                       |
| Missoula      | SCP Missoula<br>Missoula Aging Services, Inc.                                    | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>Senior Companion<br>Program        | 5                    | 33                     | -                   | \$148,508       | 33                      |
| Roundup       | Area II Agency on Aging<br>Area II Agency on Aging                               | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>RSVP                               | -                    | -                      | -                   | -               | 152                     |
| Sidney        | Northeast MT RSVP<br>Richland County Health Department                           | AmeriCorps Seniors<br>RSVP                               | 10                   | 386                    | -                   | \$235,822       | 573                     |
| AmeriCorps Se | niors Programs Subtotal                                                          |                                                          | 317                  | 3,076                  | -                   | \$3,118,688     | 2,588                   |
| Other Fo      | unding                                                                           |                                                          |                      |                        |                     |                 |                         |
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| Helena                                                    | Labor and Industry, Montana Department Of                                      | State Commission<br>Investment Funds   | -                    | -                      | -                   | \$190,725       | -                       |
| Helena                                                    | Labor and Industry, Montana Department Of                                      | State Commission<br>Operations Support | -                    | -                      | -                   | \$545,000       | -                       |
| Missoula                                                  | University of Montana - Montana Campus<br>Compact III<br>University of Montana | VISTA Recruitment<br>Support           | -                    | -                      | -                   | \$20,000        | -                       |
| Subtotal                                                  |                                                                                |                                        | -                    | -                      | -                   | \$755,725       | -                       |
| Total Program F                                           | unding                                                                         |                                        | 508                  | 3,755                  | \$2,296,653         | \$8,985,930     | 2,730                   |
| Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education Scholarships |                                                                                |                                        |                      |                        |                     | \$11,282,583    |                         |
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