



Mississippi by the Numbers

 2,009

 253

 \$20.0m

Members & Volunteers Service Locations Total Investment

Meeting Needs in Mississippi

Last year more than 2,000 Americans of all ages and backgrounds united to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and expand opportunity through national service in Mississippi. AmeriCorps invested more than \$14.1 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, reducing crime and reviving cities, connecting veterans to services, fighting the opioid epidemic, helping seniors live independently, and rebuilding communities after disasters.

AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers served at more than 200 locations across Mississippi, including schools, food banks, homeless shelters, health clinics, youth centers, veterans' facilities, and other nonprofit and faith-based organizations. Through a unique public-private partnership, AmeriCorps and its partners generated more than \$5.9 million in outside resources from businesses, foundations, public agencies, and other sources in Mississippi in the last year. This local support strengthened community impact and increased the return on taxpayer dollars.

What is AmeriCorps?

AmeriCorps is the only federal agency tasked with elevating service and volunteerism in America. We provide opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to give their time and talent to strengthen communities across our country.

A Cornerstone of Our National Culture

By bringing people together to serve communities, AmeriCorps is making service to others an indispensable part of the American experience. We offer individuals and organizations flexible ways to make a local impact through our programs and initiatives.

Segal AmeriCorps Education Award

In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award that can be used to pay for trade school, college, or graduate school; or to pay back qualified student loans. **Since 1994, more than 17,000 Mississippi residents have served approximately 33 million hours and earned education awards totaling more than \$64.7 million.**

Our Programs and Initiatives

AmeriCorps State and National matches individuals with organizations that see service as a solution to local, regional, and national challenges. There are thousands of opportunities 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 Volunteer Mississippi, the Governor-appointed State Service Commission, which in turn awards grants to organizations to respond to local needs.

AmeriCorps VISTA places individuals with organizations that fight poverty, to build capacity and make sustainable change. Through fundraising, grant writing, volunteer recruitment, and so much more, AmeriCorps VISTA 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 18-24-year-olds. Whether clearing trails for a national park or building homes for families in need, AmeriCorps NCCC members engage in a variety of projects in multiple communities while developing leadership and teamwork 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 55 and older in providing one-on-one mentoring and academic support to children with special or exceptional needs.

AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companions provides grants to organizations to engage low-income Americans 55 and older in providing supportive, individualized services to help older adults and adults maintain their dignity and independence.

AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP provides grants to organizations to engage Americans 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 as “a day on, not a day off.” MLK Day is the only federal holiday designated as a national day of service to encourage all Americans to volunteer to improve their communities.

9/11 Day of Service 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.

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Program Funding

	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Awards	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps National	7	49	121	\$672,854	\$239,417
AmeriCorps NCCC	6	6	53	-	-
AmeriCorps NCCC Campus	-	-	161	\$997,395	\$3,862,521
AmeriCorps State	8	39	249	\$992,851	\$2,131,973
AmeriCorps VISTA	13	30	81	\$448,106	\$1,241,384
AmeriCorps Programs Subtotal	34	124	665	\$3,111,206	\$7,475,295

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Foster Grandparent Program	6	45	354	-	\$1,891,235
RSVP	7	78	913	-	\$383,345
Senior Companion Program	2	6	77	-	\$370,450
AmeriCorps Seniors Programs Subtotal	15	129	1,344	-	\$2,645,030

Other Funding

	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Awards	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps State Planning Grant	3	-	-	-	\$129,513
State Commission Investment Funds	1	-	-	-	\$151,858
State Commission Operations Support	1	-	-	-	\$265,000
Volunteer Generation Fund	1	-	-	-	\$349,603
Subtotal	6	-	-	-	\$895,974

Total Program Funding	\$11,016,299
Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education Scholarships	\$14,127,505
Total Local Project Support (Non-AmeriCorps Resources)	\$5,933,623
Total AmeriCorps Funding + Total Local Project Support	\$20,061,128

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Program Funding

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Byhalia	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	3	\$18,285	-	-
Clarksdale	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	4	12	\$73,140	-	10
Cleveland	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	3	5	\$30,475	-	3
Columbus	Boys & Girls Club of the Golden Triangle Project Learn Boys & Girls Clubs of the Golden Triangle, Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,345	\$17,577	1
Como	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	1
Flowood	Alliance to End Hunger-Hunger Free Communities Network Alliance to End Hunger	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$12,190	\$33,408	-
Forest	Prescribed Burning / Suppression (October 21 - December 20, 2020) National Forests in Mississippi	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	8	-	-	-
Gautier	SCA MS Student Conservation Association, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	4	\$6,450	\$847	-
Greenville	FoodCorps MS FoodCorps, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	5	8	\$48,760	\$91,006	8
Greenville	Gulf Coast Veterans Advocacy Council, Inc IV Gulf Coast Veterans Advocacy Council, Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	2	16	\$97,620	\$268,131	15
Greenville	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	3	12	\$73,140	-	10
Greenwood	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	3	4	\$24,380	-	1
Grenada	The Grenada School District AmeriCorps Program Grenada School District	AmeriCorps State	2	34	\$207,730	\$530,243	24
Gulfport	Hurricane Zeta Response (November 10 - November 19, 2020) Mississippi Gulf Coast Community Foundation	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	11	-	-	-
Gulfport	Mississippi Gulf Coast, Inc., HFH of the Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	5	\$30,125	\$72,436	-
Gulfport	OYSI19 - CLIMB CDC The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	11	\$27,768	\$68,214	12
Gulfport	YouthBuild VISTA Initiative YouthBuild USA, Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1

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Hattiesburg	Mississippi State Parks (November 27 - December 20, 2020) Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries & Parks	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	11	-	-	-
Hattiesburg	Oseola McCarty Youth Development Center III Oseola McCarty Youth Development Center	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	3	\$18,385	\$50,979	3
Hattiesburg	TRIAD AmeriCorps University of Southern Mississippi	AmeriCorps State	2	24	\$62,503	\$153,752	18
Hollandale	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	2	4	\$24,380	-	6
Indianola	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$12,190	-	1
Inverness	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	3	\$18,285	-	2
Jackson	America Reads-Mississippi Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning	AmeriCorps State	18	56	\$319,658	\$693,403	37
Jackson	Economic Mobility AmeriCorps VISTA Project United Way Worldwide	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	-
Jackson	Foundation for the MidSouth, Inc. Foundation for the MidSouth, Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,195	\$17,571	5
Jackson	Genesis & Light's Educational Assistance Mentoring Project Genesis and Light Center	AmeriCorps VISTA	2	17	\$65,644	\$182,687	9
Jackson	Operation: UPWARD Operation: UPWARD	AmeriCorps State	1	11	\$62,562	\$119,939	19
Jackson	Springboard to Opportunities Springboard to Opportunities	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	-
Jackson	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	10	27	\$164,565	-	30
Jackson	The Village Impact VISTAS Project Juanita Sims Doty Foundation	AmeriCorps VISTA	2	2	\$12,190	\$33,408	1
Jackson	United Way of the Capital Area United Way of the Capital Area	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Lambert	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$12,190	-	1
Leland	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	3	\$18,285	-	4
Marks	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	2	2	\$12,190	-	2
Meridian	Meridian Public School District Meridian Public School District	AmeriCorps State	5	19	\$116,105	\$297,065	15

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Meridian	Roberts Cove Affordable Housing Project - COVID-19 (August 17 - September 15, 2020) Mississippi United to End Homelessness, Inc.	AmeriCorps NCCC	2	11	-	-	-
Meridian	The Housing Authority of the City of Meridian The Housing Authority of the City of Meridian	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Mississippi State	Maroon Volunteer Center Mississippi State University	AmeriCorps VISTA	6	16	\$98,120	\$272,466	11
Moorhead	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$12,190	-	1
Morton	Roosevelt/NCC Partner Round 3,2020 (January 8 - February 18, 2020) Roosevelt State Park	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	6	-	-	-
New Augusta	PERRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT III PERRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	AmeriCorps State	1	16	\$53,452	\$131,238	1
Ocean Springs	CL Environmental Stewards The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$2,960	\$400	-
Ocean Springs	OYS119 - Conservation Legacy The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$2,322	\$5,714	-
Ocean Springs	SATA Stewards 2020 Conservation Legacy	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	2
Oxford	North Mississippi VISTA Project at UM University of Mississippi	AmeriCorps VISTA	10	14	\$85,630	\$236,457	20
Oxford	UM College Corps University of Mississippi	AmeriCorps State	4	61	\$78,920	\$20,688	36
Ridgeland	COOL Education Project Scientific Research (SR1)	AmeriCorps State	6	28	\$91,921	\$185,645	13
Rolling Fork	AmeriCorps 2020 (January 8 - February 2, 2020) U.S. Forest Service- Delta Ranger District	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	6	-	-	-
Rosedale	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$6,095	-	1
Ruleville	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$6,095	-	1
Sardis	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	5	\$30,475	-	-
Shelby	Anti-Hunger Corps Hunger Free America	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$2,622	\$7,437	2
Tchula	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$6,095	-	-
Vicksburg	CL Environmental Stewards The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$5,920	\$800	1

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Vicksburg	Members at the Southern Region campus of AmeriCorps NCCC perform service projects throughout AL, CT, DC, FL, GA, KY, LA, MA, MD, MS, NC, NJ, RI, SC, TN, VA, WV, USVI and PR.	AmeriCorps NCCC Campus	-	161	\$997,395	\$3,862,521	-
Walls	North Mississippi Employment Consortium VISTA Project MISSISSIPPI JUSTICE CENTER	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	5	\$30,975	\$87,855	3
Webb	Teach For America - Greater Delta: Mississippi and Arkansas Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$6,095	-	1
AmeriCorps Programs Subtotal			125	665	\$3,111,206	\$7,475,295	334

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Biloxi	RSVP of Mobile County Mobile County Commission	RSVP	1	3	-	-	-
Clarksdale	Coahoma Opportunities RSVP Coahoma Opportunities Inc.	RSVP	10	102	-	\$47,500	102
Clarksdale	Ms River Delta FGP Save the Children Field Office (AR)	Foster Grandparent Program	2	15	-	\$90,986	11
Ellisville	Foster Grandparent Program of the Pine Belt Laurel-Jones County Council on Aging	Foster Grandparent Program	3	93	-	\$560,238	93
Gulfport	Harrison County RSVP Harrison County Human Resource Agency	RSVP	27	500	-	\$155,320	-
Gulfport	Harrison County Senior Companion Program Harrison County Human Resource Agency	Senior Companion Program	3	39	-	\$185,853	40
Hattiesburg	Foster Grandparent Program of SMPDD Southern Mississippi Planning and Development District, Inc.	Foster Grandparent Program	3	35	-	\$192,175	40
Hernando	DeSoto RSVP Porter Leath Children Center	RSVP	8	21	-	-	26
Indianola	Sunflower/Bolivar Co's SCP Sunflower-Humphreys Counties Progress, Inc.	Senior Companion Program	-	-	-	-	52
Meridian	Lauderdale County FGP Multi-County Community Service Agency	Foster Grandparent Program	-	97	-	\$492,084	90
Meridian	RSVP Meridian/Lauderdale County United Way of East Mississippi	RSVP	23	184	-	\$71,190	155
Oxford	Lafayette County FGP Oxford/Lafayette County Chamber of Commerce	Foster Grandparent Program	13	82	-	\$403,402	78
Oxford	Lafayette County RSVP Oxford Park Commission	RSVP	4	54	-	\$53,346	54
Pascagoula	MDHS Jackson County Senior Companion Program Division of Aging & Adult Service1	Senior Companion Program	3	38	-	\$184,597	41
Pearl	Foster Grandparent Program of the Capital Area Mental Health Association of the Capital Area	Foster Grandparent Program	17	-	-	-	55

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Waveland	Hancock County RSVP City of Waveland ¹	RSVP	5	49	-	\$55,989	49
Yazoo City	Yazoo County Foster Grandparent Program Yazoo County Board of Supervisors	Foster Grandparent Program	7	32	-	\$152,350	35
AmeriCorps Seniors Programs Subtotal			129	1,344	-	\$2,645,030	921

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Hattiesburg	CCE Planning Grant University of Southern Mississippi	AmeriCorps State Planning Grant	-	-	-	\$49,999	-
Jackson	Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service	State Commission Investment Funds	-	-	-	\$151,858	-
Jackson	Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service	State Commission Operations Support	-	-	-	\$265,000	-
Jackson	Mississippi Community Education Center Mississippi Community Education Center	AmeriCorps State Planning Grant	-	-	-	\$48,890	-
Jackson	MS Nonprofit Resource Hubs Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service	Volunteer Generation Fund	-	-	-	\$349,603	-
Jackson	MSVA Tech Support for Veterans Mississippi Veterans Affairs	AmeriCorps State Planning Grant	-	-	-	\$30,624	-
Subtotal			-	-	-	\$895,974	-
Total Program Funding			254	2,009	\$3,111,206	\$11,016,299	1,255
Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education Scholarships						\$14,127,505	
Total Local Project Support (Non-AmeriCorps Resources)						\$5,705,847	
Total AmeriCorps Funding + Total Local Project Support						\$19,833,352	

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