

# AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps Southwest Region

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# Request For Applications 2024-2025

AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) Southwest Region is requesting applications for team-based community service projects in Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and Wyoming. AmeriCorps NCCC is seeking projects that engage members in service for 40-45 hours per week for 6-13 weeks while living in the communities they are serving.

#### Who and How NCCC Can Serve

AmeriCorps NCCC teams can provide direct service to non-profits, community and faith-based organizations, schools, local municipalities, state and federal entities, and tribal governments. Teams can help strengthen communities through a wide variety of tasks within six program areas. Some examples include:



<u>Education:</u> Tutoring and mentoring youth during school, after school, or in summer programs



<u>Healthy Futures:</u> Community gardening, food security initiatives, nutrition and wellness programming



<u>Disaster Recovery:</u> Deconstruction and rebuilding of homes, debris removal, or sorting donations after natural or other disasters



<u>Environment:</u> Habitat restoration, trail building, or interpretative programming



<u>Economic Opportunity:</u> Affordable housing construction, tax preparation, or community revitalization



<u>Veterans and Military Families:</u> Building facilities or structures to support veteran services and programming

#### AN AMERICORPS NCCC TEAM

NCCC members are young adults, 18-26 years old, who participate in a residential 10-month service term, and represent a wide variety of socioeconomic, cultural, geographic, and educational backgrounds.

Team sizes vary and can range from 6-12 Corps Members. Corps Members receive on-the-ground supervision from an NCCC Team Leader.

Each team is assigned to a unit that is led by a full-time, professional staff member called a Unit Leader. The Unit Leader oversees the team's project performance and member development.

Each team is provided with one 15-passenger van and fuel is covered by NCCC. Each team is also allocated funds for food and laundry. All members are background checked and fully insured by the Federal Tort Claims Act and Federal Employees Coverage Act.

#### **SPONSOR REQUIREMENTS**

- Provide on-site support including technical oversight, training, supplies, equipment, and a minimum of 20 hours of supervision per week
- Secure housing for the team for the duration of the project to include a bathroom, kitchen, sleeping quarters, separate quarantine quarters, and parking for one 15-passenger van
- Housing examples include churches, community centers, vacant apartments or houses, college dorms, park cabins, and military facilities
- Lend service-learning support to help the team understand the community's needs and the organization's work
- Meet the NCCC project criteria necessary to be awarded a team; there are additional considerations that make an application more competitive

#### **Contact Us:**



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2024-2025 SERVICE TIMELINE			
Service Dates	Concept Form Deadline	Application Deadline	Award Notification
Nov. 8 - Dec. 15, 2024*	Jun. 14th, 2024	Aug. 9th, 2024	Week of Sep. 9th, 2024
Jan. 9 - Apr. 13, 2025*	Sep. 6th, 2024	Oct. 11th, 2024	Week of Nov. 11th, 2024
Apr. 19 - Jul. 13, 2025*	Dec. 13th, 2024	Jan. 31st, 2025	Week of Mar. 3rd, 2025

\*NCCC may accommodate requests for shorter projects within these date ranges

Please note: Service dates are subject to change due to evolving coronavirus policies and safety measures

## Q+A Session for the Houston Region

Applying for an AmeriCorps NCCC Team Q+A for Houston Region Community Organizations Tuesday, October 1 @ 12:30-1:30 @ Zoom

REGISTER: Scan the QR code or email bcampbell@unitedwayhouston.org

## How to Request an AmeriCorps NCCC Team



### Application Process

Email your documents to your state's NCCC staff member (contact information on previous page) or fax to 303.844.7410.



**Complete and submit a NCCC Project Concept Form.** This four-page document provides a brief overview of the applying organization and their tentative project plan for the team. This document is required for all organizations to be able to proceed with the full application.



Upon review of the Project Concept Form, NCCC will invite the organization to submit a full application or request additional information.



**Complete and submit a NCCC Project Application** with required supporting documentation.



Applications are reviewed by a panel and awarded with consideration to compelling need, geographic distribution, availability of teams, and costs related to team deployment, in addition to the evaluation criteria listed in the application instructions.



Mission: To strengthen communities and develop leaders through direct, team-based national and community service.

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